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"Ruin," emphatically replied Dr. Rane.
"The men will play at bo-peep with reason until the trade has left them. Fools!

'It's not the poor men, Oliver. I have mis'ed. Misled by the Trades' Unions.'

"Nonsense!" replied Dr. Rane. "A man who has his living to earn ought not to allow himself to be misled. There's his work to hand; let him do it. A body of would-be autocrats might come down on me and say, Oliver Rane, we want you to join our society; which forbids doctors to visit patients except under its own rules and regn'ations.' Suppose I listened to them? - and stayed at home, and let Seeley, or any one cases - and Ann, the housemaid, was drawelse, snap up my practice, and awake presently to find my means of living irrevocably cone?—nothing left for me but the work-house? Should I deserve pity? Certainly

Bessy laughed a little. They were going in, and she - still keeping her hand within his arm - coaxed him yet for another moment's recreation into the drawing-room. Sitting down to the piano in the fading light — the piano that Richard had given her — she began a song that her husband was fond of, "O Bay of Dublin." That sweet song set to the air of "Groves of Blarney," by the late Lady Dufferin. Bessy's voice was weak and of no compass, but it was true and rather sweet; and she had that, by no means common, gift of rendering every word as distinctly heard as though it were spoken; so that her singing was pleasant to listen to. Her husband liked it. He leaned against the window-frame, now as she sang, in a deep reverie, gazing out on Dallory Ham, and at the man lighting the roadside lamps. Dr. Rane never heard this song but he wised he was the emigrant singing it, with some wide ocean flowing between him and home.

"What's this, I wonder?" Some woman, who he did not recognize, had turned in at his gate and was ringing the door-bell. Dr. Rane found out he was called out to a patient; one of the profitless people as usual.
"Piersons wants me, Bassy," he looked into the room to say. "The man's worse. I

shall not be long." And Bessy rose when she heard the streetdoor closed.

Taking a duster from the drawer, she carefully passed it over the keys before closing her plane for the night. Very much did Bessy cherish her drawing-room and itsfurniture. They did not use it very much; not from fear of spoiling it, but because the other room with its large bay window seemed the more cheerful; and people feel more at ease in the room they usually sit in. Bessy took as much pride in her house as though it had been one of the grandest in all Dailory; happy as a queen in it, felt she. Stepping lightly over the drawing-room carpet - fresh as the day when it came out of Turtle's warehouse — touching, with a gentle finger, some pretty thing or other on the tables as she passed, she opened the door

and called to the servant. "Molly, it is time these shutters were

Molly Green, in an apology of a cap tilted on her hair, and a white muslin apron, came out of the kitchen. Molly liked to be as amart as the best of them, although she had all the work to do. Which all was not very management.

"You had better light the hall-lamp," added Mrs. Rane, as she went up stairs.
It was tolerably light still. Bessy often did what she was about to do - namely, draw down the window-blinds; it saved Molly trouble. The wide landing was less bare than it used to be; at the time of Dr. Rane's marriage he had covered it with some green drugget, and put a chair and a book-enelf there. It still looked too large, still presented a contrast to the inxuriously furnished landing of Mrs. Cumberland's opposite, especially when the two wide windows happened to be open; but Bessy thought her own quite good enough. Of the two back rooms, one had been furnished as a spare bed-chamber; the other had not much in it besides Bessy's boxes that had come from the Hali. Richard had spoken kindly to her about this last chamber, "Should any contingency arise; sickness, or other; that you should require its use. Bessy," he said, "and Rane does not find it quite convenient to spare money for furniture, let me know, and I'll do it for you." She had thanked him gratefully: but the contingency had not come yet.

Into this back-room first went Bessy, passed by her boxes, closed the window, and drew the white blind down. From thence into the next chamber—a pretty room with chintz curtains to the window and the Arabian bed. Dr. Rane was very particular about having plenty of air in his house, and would have every window open all day long. Next, Bessy crossed the landing again to her own chamber. She had to pass through the drab room (as may be remembered) to get to it. The drab room was in just the same state that it used to be; Dr. Rane's glass jars and other articles used in chem-Formerly they were strewed about anywhere; under Bessy's neat rule they were statered into a small space. Sometimes Bessy thought she should like to make this her own sitting and work-room; its window looked towards the fields beyond Dallory Ham. Often, when she first came to the house, she would softly say to her heart. What a nice day-nursery it would make! She had left off saying it now.

Taking some work from a drawer in her own room, which was what she went up for - for she knew that Oliver would tell her to leave off if she attempted to stitch the wristband by candle light — she stood for a minute at the window and saw some gentleman, whom she did not recognize, turn out of Mr. Seeley's, and go towards Dallory.

"A fresh patient," she thought to herself;

with a sigh very like envy. "He gets them all. I wish a few would come to Oliver." As she watched the stranger up the road, As she watched the stranger up the road, something in his height and make put her in mind of her dead brother, Edmund. All her thoughts went back to the unhappy time of his death, and to the letter that had

"It's very good of Oliver to comfort me, saying he could not in any case have lived long - and I suppose it war so," murmured Bessy; "but that does not make it any the less shocking. He was killed. Cut off without warning by that wicked anonymous letter. And I don't believe the writer will be ever traced now; even Richard seems to have cooled in the pursuit, since he discovered it was not the man he had suspec'ed.

Close upon the return of Dr. and Mrs. Rane after their marriage, the tall, thin stranger who had been seen with Timothy Wilks the night before the anonymous letter was sent, and whom Richard North and

others fully believed to have been the writer, was discovered. It proved to be a poor artist, traveling the country to take sketches - who was sometimes rather too fond of being a boon companion with whatever company he might happen to fall into. Hovering here some days, hovering there, in pursuit of his calling, he at length made his headquarters at Whitborough. Hearing he was suspected, he came forward volun-tarily, and convinced Richard North that he at least had had nothing to do with the letter. Richard's answer was that he quite helieved him. And perhaps it was Richard North's manner at this time, coupled with a remark he made to the effect that "it lived amongst them — some of them at any might be better to allow all speculation on rate — since I was a child, and I don't like the point to rest," that first gave Dr. Rane to hear them blamed. It is that they are the idea of Richard's suspicion of himself. Things had been left at rest since then; and even Bessy, as we see, thought her brother

was growing cold.
Turning from the window with a eigh, given to the memory of her dead brother, she passed through the ante-room to the landing on her way down stairs. Mrs. Cumberland's landing opposite gave forth a brilliant light as usual — for that lady liked to burn many lamps in her hall and stairing down the window blind. Mrs. Rane's window had never had a blind.

(To be Continued.)

AND \$50 A WEEK. Emmet's Wife Gets a

Divorce. NEW York, Oct. 10 .- A report of Gilbert M. Speir as referee was filed yesterday in after as perhaps no other man in Canada the Supreme Court in favor of giving Daisy May Emmet an absolute divorce from Actor Joseph K. Emmet, the custody of their child, Eleanor, 7 years old, and \$50 a week permanent alimony for the support of herself and her child. Emmet, although represented by counsel at the proceedings, did not defend the case, and it was on his consent that the alimony was fixed at that sum.

Emmet married the plaintiff on May 14, 1886, and they lived together until April 29, 1891, when she went to Europe with her child and J. K. Emmet, sen., father of her husband. She remained abroad about two years furthering her musical studies, chiefly at Geneva. Young Emmet gave her \$1,200 when she left, and agreed to send her \$500 every two months. His allowances fell short of this amount. It was shown that Emmet took a trout fishing trip to Canadensis, Pa., with his leading lady, Emily Lytton, in April and May, 1892, and that he had subsequently lived with Miss Lytton in a flat on west Onehundred and Fourth street.

Count Mercier's Condition. MONTREAL, Oct. 10 .- The condition of Mr. Mercier was said at the Notre Dame Hospital today to be unchanged, except that he is much weaker. He slept four hours last evening.

Drowned in a Bucket of Lard. MOBILE, Ala., Oct. 10. - Thomas C. Smith, a colored infant, was drowned in a bucket of lard on Government street yes terday. The vessel had been set in an outof-the-way place on the premises. The child was missed yesterday afternoon. The neighborhood was searched and the well dragged to no avail. Finally two little feet were discovered sticking out of the top of the lard bucket, which was half filled. The child had tottered to the bucket and fallen in headforemost.

A Junk Shop Relic. A man named LeSueur, residing at Mel-

bourne, Que., has made public what he declares to be the real history of the "Wolfe sword" which Hon. J. C. Patterson recently got possession of and presented to the people of Canada. According to his evidence the sword was originally found in a junk shop in Quebec City by Mr. Derbi-shire, and though it was afterwards called, for the sake of giving it a name, Wolte's sword, no evidence was ever forthcoming that such was really the case. In view of this additional testimony, it begins to appear as if the Minister of Militia had paid a pretty stiff price for old junk.

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FAMOUS POISONING CASE.

The Brant County Woman, Who is Accused of Killing Her Husband, to Be Tried This Month.

She Has Had a Visit From Mr. Osler, Her Counsel.

The Brantford Fall Assizes commence on Oct. 22, before Mr. Justice MacMahon, and the trial of Mrs. Hartley, of New Durham, for the alleged poisoning of her husband by arsenic will, of course, prove the main item on the list. The case is attracting an extraordinary amount of interest, and there will be a tremendous rush for seats on the part of those who will want to be present at the hearing. Several newspaper men from outside places have sent in applications for tickets, and it is evident that the press will be well repre-

Mrs. Hartley is reported to be keeping well, and she gets up at 7 a.m. and retires at 6 p.m., just as the other prisoners do. Each day she is given a regulation amount of exercise in the jail yard. She is taking more interest in the trial as the day draws near, and seems to be very hopeful as to the outcome. She is to be defended by Mr. B. B. Osler, Q.C. In his hands, it goes without saying, her case will be looked could handle it. Mr. Osler arrived in the city on Saturday, and, after a consultation with Mr. Oles, Mrs. Hartley's lawyer, he visited the accused at the jail. Mrs. Hartley was manifestly pleased to see him, and he remained talking with her in her cell for half an hour. What transpired is, of course, not known, but it is said that the eminent Q. C. considers that his client's chances of acquittal are good. Mr. W. Lount, Q. C., will appear on behalf of the crown.

THE ST. CLAIR CANAL

The Montreal Witness evidently is not in favor of the construction of the proposed St. Clair Canal. It says: "Engineers of experience whose duties have compelled them to consider and decide upon the advantages promised by projected public works, are very doubtful indeed as to the utility of the proposed canal through the Essex and Kent counties peninsula, between Lake St. Clair and Lake Erie. From the point in the present route, by way of the Detroit River, at which the proposed canal route would diverge, to the point where it would again join the old route at the mouth of the St. Clair River, the proposed route forms one side of an almost equilateral triangle, the other sides of which are formed by the old route. One side of the triangle thus formed represents the distance saved by the new route, about 140 miles. The greater distance can be done by lake vessels in the open waters of Lake St. Clair, the Detroit River and Lake Erie at a rate of, say, fourteen miles an hour, or in twenty hours. Engineers are of the opinion that going by the canal route the detentions and reductions of speed necessarily involved inlocking through and sailing in the canal would reduce the speed by that route to eight miles an hour, and perhaps less; five hours' detention at the Sault Ste. Marie lock is said to be n uncommon thing. At the above rates the time over the old route would be twenty hours, while that over the proposed canal route would be seventeen and a half hours; not a very great saving in time, and it is time, not distance, which tells in favor of commercial routes. In order to secure this advantage of two and a half or three hours it is proposed to dig a 21-foot channel, the cost of which would be somewhere between \$10,000,000 and \$15,000,000, with all probabilities in favor of its approximating far more closely the greater sum. The question raised by the engineers is whether it is worth while to spend so much money in

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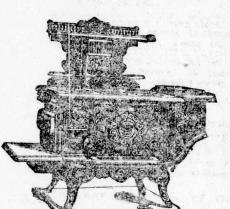
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