part of town. What was it you wanted to tell me?"

"I wanted to tell you that-that I

There was a world of reproach is her

voice, and she looked up at him with

wide, enquiring eyes.
"That isn't all," he went on looking

out of the staircase window into the dark street. "I—I proposed to her to-night after the third act."

The question came sharply through

"She accepted me. He waited

moment, not daring to look at her. Then he went on, "I feel an awful

brute. I ought to have told you before,

when I found I was failing in love

with her. But I didn't want to spoil the

rehearsals, and-oh, for heaven's sake,

He turned quickly, wondering at her

silence. She was leaning against the

banisters, and her head was bent so

"I won't ask you to forgive me now,"

he said, in a low voice; "but, per-

She laid her hand heavily on his

sleeve, but kept her face turned away.

He waited for her to speak, and in the

stillness that followed he heard a han-

som pull up at the entrance below.

There was the quick step of a man's

"Hallo!" said Turner; "brought the

And he escorted his beaming bride

'A little boy and a little bug. The

boy was Dicky. The bug was little Misress Tumblebug, and she was slow-

ing mound of earth, carrying home a

The little bug was a curious and per-

although I'm not sure but that tears

She was crawling bravely up the hift

for the eleventh time, when Dicky hears a whistle close behind him, and

turned in terror to find Ben Walden

reaching for the silky curls that clus-

tered under Dick's plaid Tam o'

Ben was the horror of Dick's life just

now; for he had a way of reaching for

those silky curls, taking out his knife,

sharpening it carefully on his boot.

and pretending to cut the curls off, one

by one, counting them carefully as he pretended to lay them down upon the

It was all so real that the little boy

would tremble all over, and cry as if his heart would break. But Ben would

laugh, and, snatching off Dick's cap,

which was the joy of his heart, would promise to rub it in the dirt, or to cut

He finished his "fun"—as he called it

-this morning by standing Dicky on

his head in the dirt; then went of

taughing, with Dicky screaming after him, through his sobs: "It's mean,

mean, mean for a great big fellow to plague a little fellow so!"

Then Dicky rubbed the tears out of

his eyes, brushed the dirt off his

clothes, and finished just in time to find the little tumblebug triumphantly

reaching the top of the little mound of

Dicky put his finger out quick to tip

her over again, but what do you sup-

pose he thought he heard? "It's mean,

mean, mean for a great big fellow to

plague a little fellow so!" Do you

suppose it was the squeaky-voiced lit-tle tumblebug that said it, or some-

thing inside of Dicky that begins with

hand back, stood still a minute, then

Whichever it was, Dicky drew his

Chinese Names

Futal, the governor of a province

Haikwan, Chinese maritime cu

Yamen, an official residence.

Godown, a place for storing goods.

Li. a Chinese mile, ene-third of

Tael, a coin of silver, worth from

ueeze, general term of extortion

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province.

Fu, a prefecture.

ground behind Dicky.

the top out with his knife.

Shanter.

ly and carefully crawling up a slop

"Turner!" gasped the author.

up the remaining flight of stairs.

foot on the stairs, and then-

that he could not see her face.

care for Miss Sewell more than you

"Oh, Dick!"

"Well?"

her set teeth.

say something!"

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COLLABORATION

It was an ideal collaboration. Everybody said so, and, in theatrical affairs, everybody always knows. At the end of the third act it was so evident that the play was to be a success that the men left off asking each other what the author could know about the stage, and the women decided that, after all, the color of the authoress' hair was much more nearly auburn than red. The members of the profession the circle determined to make the acquaintance of the lucky young couple without delay; the critics in the stalls

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West Kensington.
"It's really awful good of you," said the authoress, as soon as they had turned the first corner, "to see me such a long way home! Are you sure you don't mind, Dick?" "Of course not," said the authon

"Yes, I do now, but wasn't it spleaflid the way our big scene caught on?"
Ripping! Fairly knocked 'em! But
f always knew it would. The difficulty
was to make any manager believe it." 'Oh, they're so stupid!-all the ones who refused it, I mean. I should think they'll be rather sorry now." "You bet! I had three offers for

our next piece before I left the thee "And I had two. That makes five sitogether. We shall have a monopoly of the comedy houses," and the clever little woman leaned back in the corner

of the cab and laughed happily. "Well," said the little man, "now it mas come, we'll make 'em pay ch? I this sordid old city." "Never mind," she said, gripping his

hand; "you've got your reward at fact. You can have everything you yes," he replied, glancing at want now." her for a moment, and then staring straight in front of him over the

There was a pause, until "May ! fight a cigarette?' he asked, rather mervously.

"Of course!" "Won't it-?" He indicated her frippery by a sweep of the hand.
"Not a bit! And, besides, it wouldn' matter now, would it? Do you know, she leaned forward and slipped her arm into his, "things seem unreal tonight, unsubstantial. Nothing seems quite the same as it did yesterday-

"I was going to say except you, but even you don't seem quite the same to-night. I didn't think I was so easily thrown off my balance."
"Perhaps," he said, flickering at his

digarette ash so clumsily that he burnt his finger, "perhaps I am not the "What do you mean?" There was

the slightest trace of suspicion in her tone. "I suppose you are."
"It's all through that rotten play!" "Don't say that. It's a good play."
"Yes, I know. But it's muddled

things up frightfully. Do you remem-ber the little tiff we had after one of the rehearsals?" "Do you mean about-about Mr. Turner?"

"No, no! I ought never to have said anything about that. Of course, you had to be polite to a man playing such "Yes, but-I did firt with him-a tittle."

Oh, that's nothing' I mean aboutabout Miss Sewell." My dear boy, we've finished with that long ago!"

Well, I thought we "Haven't we?" "I'm afraid not-quite. The fact

"Oh, dear, don't let's have any confessions to-night! We're both rather tired. Do you think it wise?" "I'd rather tell you to-night, if I may. The fact is, I-well I've firted

with her more than you think,"
"After our—tiff?" "That wasn't quite nice of you. Dick

There was yet another pause. This time, in his agitation, he lit a cigarette without asking permission. "You know," she said at last :: you're

juite spoiling my evening. Men are so "Beastly sorry! he replied, stub-ornly. "But I hate putting things bornly.

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