#### FINDING A LOVER.

"Ladybug, ladybug, fly away ! Bring me a beau wi hout delay," St. Andrew's night had come

around just 18 times in the brief sake!"

come a beau to marry the lady fair.

In Honiton township every boy and girl, since they were old enough to know anything of beaus and sweethearts, followed the old time superstitious custom on St. Andrew's night. If any of them married within the year, they extolled the efficacy of the charm of the ladybug, and the young folk of Heniton believed all the more faithfully in it. Martha McClintock beran to try the charm at the age.

In Honiton township every boy and girl since they were old enough to know anything of beaus and sweethearts, followed the old Martha.

"I was thrown from my horse," said the injured man, "while hunting this afternoon In the fall I broke my leg. The horse ran away, and at first I was glad of this, because I hoped that the riderless animal would tell the story of some one's injury and that help would beran to try the charm at the age.

The McClintocks belonged to some of the oldest families of Virginia. They had been well to do the voice of an angel. It was like ginia. They had been well to do the voice of an angel. It was like the voice of an angel of 45 degrees, for the wheat him until I give you leave?"

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worldly goods, Martha was sent by

was given as good an education as the place afforded, for her spinster aunt shunned the criticism of her neighbors, which would have been poured out upon her had she poured out upon her had she was about to return to his home replaced to give so bright a girl when rejections of the son of one of the two remaining boats which the girl when rejections of the richest merchants of Philadel-phia. He had come to the Virginia mountains on a hunting trip and was about to return to his home when the other boats which from their clevated points it, I've been disobeying orders from had not gone when the other boats had been sweath as well at the control of the two remaining boats which from their davits at the lee side of the bridge deck, and which from their clevated points. poured out upon her had she neglected to give so bright a gril the necessary schooling. Martha learned rapidly. She took advantage of every opportunity to enrich her mind, and as all the teachers were fond of her and sought to bring as much brightness as possible into the young girl's life her school days were among the happiest of her existence. At the done enough so far as her niece's the succor that had been denied

mental development was concerned. him so long.

It is needless to say that Martha A life of drudgery began with that day for Martha McClintock. The servant was dismissed, and she was installed as maid of all work. The tedium and hardship of mental labor might have been borne in patience had she not been cut off from all companionship with the young people of the place. She met them only on Sunday at church, and even than the ogre eye of the spinster confined the inter course to a mere greeting or a friendly handshake from the more courageous youths of the village

made Martha despondent, and her ance from the serfdom. Thus St.
Andrew's day came for the eighteenth time in the young girl's life, and in accordance with the custom of the voung folks of home. of the young folks of her acquainfor a ladybug among the shrubs of her aunt's garden. The season was her aunt's garden. The season was tall, rather slim, light haired youth tall, rather slim, light haired youth tance she searched high and low not come out as early as formerly. Ladybugs were unusually scarce that year, and Martha was sorely disappointed when her search avail-

In bitter tears over her hard lot the girl retired for the first time since she could remember, unable to carry cut the charm with the

Her sleep was restless and frequently broken by the sobs she pretty eyebrows, as if to ask why it should be funny that a young man "I'm here a ladybug, after all, if she went out now in the moonlight and renewed her search among the grapevines that trailed around the fence still addressing Shepherd". You at the far end of the garden. Softly belong to Company F. How long she crept down stairs and out of have you been in the regiment?" the rear door. Her aunt was a sound sleeper, and the girl fel: safe from her molestations. She hurried Company F, have I? That's sc. from underneath, a cloud. Soon it Shepherd blushed to the tips of shone full and white over the entire landscape, bringing into ball. The array and the orderly grinned father that she knew anything of "Mind". tire landscape, bringing into bold relief every object in the garden.
The big wine leaves were silhouet"Well, that's all. Thank you," ted sgainst the darker background. The dewdrops sparkled like diamonds, and busy ants that crawled over them were distructly visible. Suddenly Martha stopped. There, away up near the top of the fence, she saw a ladybug perched on a leaf which stood out straight and firm like a tray. It was asleep, sound asleep, and Martha had no trouble in breaking the leaf from the stem and securing the coveten

cried the girl, hope, longing, anguish, expressed in her voice.

A loud groan answered in the

tha at the top of her voice. tonwoo'l trees. Help, for heaven's with him.

around just 18 times in the brief existance of Martha McClintock, and for years at the midnight hour of the fateful day, the girl had said her little speech to the ladybug.

It is and old superstition that he or she who desires to be happily yards away. There in the moon-mated must, find a ladybug on St. light, she saw lying in the grass a light, she saw lying in the grass a large way. Sake a little surprised that he showed no surprise at her visit. "Mr. Shepherd," she said, "I don't know whether I ought to apologize for troubling you"—

"You ought not, Miss Bascome," said Lee. "There is no call for an ex-

bestle must be imprisoned all day and be given its liberty in the witching hour of ghosts and goblins. Then within a year will come a beau to marry the lady fair.

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The liberty in the grass a said Lee. "There is no call for an apology—hardly even for an explanation."

"Oh!"

"No. I know what you want to ask me."

began to try the charm at the age of 14, not because she lacked schoolboy beaus, for she was a pretty girl, but because marriage meant to her more than a lover and a protector. It meant a deliverer from au unkind fate.

The McClintocks belonged to Tail and the story of some one's injury and that help would come to me. For hours I waited for the sound of a human voice without avail. Then I dragged myself to the edge of this field. I must have fainted, for when I recovered my senses it was night. I tried to sleep, but the pain was so that after many vicissitudes here she lay, her passenger accommodation taken out and the space filled with grain from the Black Sea ports, sinking.

"Well, Miss Bascome, if you ask one's injury and that help would me, and if you promise not to spoil me, and if you promise not to spoi

once upon a time, but had become the voice of an angel."

It did not take Martha long to debate what she must do for the thing in a nutshell. I'm very like father died, leaving the poor girl injured man. Her father's most my grandfather. Everybody tells alone in the world, save for the intimate friend was Dr. Godlove, me that. Then, you see, this hat, I alone in the world, save for the kinship of an old aunt, who had become estranged from the family many years ago. She was the sister of Martha's father, who had forever incurred the displeasure of his family by marrying the prettiest girl in an adjoining township rather than the bride they had alone in timate friend was Dr. Godlove, the town physician. It was a mile to his house, but she was young and agile, and she knew the doctor would come with her instantly. In less than an hour she returned, bringing with her Dr. Godlove, followed by a light spring wagon, into which a mattress had been laid. The doctor and the driver into which a mattress had been laid. The doctor and the driver placed the injured man on the materal Goodlowe."

were. But your father is thinking about my mother's father, old Genshift contrivance of spars and target about my mother's father, old Genshift contrivance of spars and target grant and target grant To this aunt, who was well off in placed the injured man on the mater and Goodlowe."

the town authorities. The girl was not a welcome gift from the township, but in view of her close relation to Martha's father and her ability to house and feed and clothe her she could not well refuse to receive her. To tie the sensitive tender young creature, who had been loved to idolatry by two doting parents to a sour old maid, who looked with affection upon no one but a half dozen cats, was like imprisoning a lark in a dismal cage.

In this loveless atmosphere the hild grew into a maiden. She was given as good an education as the place afforded, for her spinster of the time he was a prisoner of war on parole in North Carolina?"

"Ever hear the lieutenant colonel speak of the time he was a prisoner of war on parole in North Carolina?"

"Of course I have, and Colonel Goodlowe had him there at the old place."

"That's right, and my mother used to play cribbage with him when he couldn't walk on account of his sprained knee. Did he ever tell you that?"

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age of 16 her guardian took her with the girl as she bent over him from school, believing that she had in the moonlight and brought him

> loved him in return, and before he departed for his home they were married in the doctor's parlor. The young wife confided her romance of St. Andrew's night to one of her schoolgirl friends, and ever since the charm of the ladybug is held in high regard by the young folk of Honiton.—St. Louis Republic.

#### LOVE IN TWO WARS.

"Well, now!" said Lieutenant Colonel Bascome, standing with

life of world to come." for whom Lieutenant Colonel Bascome had sent, whose square jaws had only just begun to take on the brown of a first week in camp. Both the enlisted men saluted.

"Lee Shepherd, sir; Company F." "H'm! I thought it was some thing else. Lee Shepherd!" Lieutenant Colonel Bascome ruminated Nelly looked at her father with a decidedly quizzical veiling of her

could not control. At midnight enlisted in the local regiment of she arose. Perhaps she would find the guard lived in that neighbor-"I suppose I haven't seen you before, eh?" her father went on,

"Well, I haven't seen much of

The embarrassed young man had no words for a reply.

In a contract size knew anything of this civil war romance until a week later, when the regiment was on those boots and oilskins on," said the distance between the ship the contract the size of its departure for the contract the size of its departure for the contract the contr said the commanding officer. And the two enlisted men saluted

and went their several ways. "What made you do that, papa?" Nelly asked as soon as they were out of hearing.

"What? Ask that youngster his name? I don't know, my child, exactly. I had some sort of notion that I had seen his face before. But -Lee Shepherd-I never knew that way." She was laughing, as remain standing where you are till He climbed up on the bridge anybody of the name of Shepherd
—Shepherd. His face and his whole look are certainly familiar to me. But I am getting old, daughter. That's the whole of it."

The cirls time block are said to the said the said that Lee Shepherd isn't my daughter. That's the whole of it."

The cirls time block are said to the canvas wind whose name is called will take his place in the boat. Any man that starts for the boat before I tell him them now? His wages were £16 brother. I mean to say if he were the said to the canvas wind whose name is called will take his place in the boat. Any man that starts for the boat before I tell him them now? His wages were £16 brother. I mean to say if he were the said to the canvas wind whose name is called will take his place in the boat. Any man that starts for the boat before I tell him them now? His wages were £16 brother. I mean to say if he were

A loud groan answered in the distance. The girl trembled. "Help, line of tents and disappear around the corner. Nelly Bascome had the would be quite to much."

The girl trembled. "Help, the skipper continued: would do something for her, but the corner. Nelly Bascome had the would be quite to much."

There was a low murmer from the skipper continued: would do something for her, but she would have to give up her lit-Martha's first impulse was to fly taken an idea into her head, and But the fact that Lee Shepherd the boat." Martha's first impulse was to fly taken an idea into her head, and to the house, but her better nature asserted itself. A human being she took the turning which she was in distress; that was clear. She thought would lead her to the quar-

very nearly right in her guess.

She was looking for Lee Shepcannot be told until the present "Here, under this clump of cot- herd and was soon face to face war ends and Company F gets home.-Ewen Macpherson in New Lee smiled at the gid with an York World.

The Skipper.

The last half hour of the steamship Saraband had come. All day

she had lain in the pitiless bay, crouching under the fierce blast of

the northeast gale, the seas sweep-

have been immovable—the engine

hatch-had also been sma-hed in

why she was going to founder

That was the immediate reason

At length the skipper turned

the mate hearing them.

Are the boats all ready?"

"No. I know what you want to ing her decks, and now all on board knew that she had but a "You do?" said Nelly, in some short time to live.

"Well, then, here's the whole and one structure which should

"Yes," said Lee. "She would and the skipper for not making

letter in my pocket. She says: and scrambled down the sloping You are going to serve under a bridge to where the mate crouched Yank who was your grandfather's on the lee rail. "We shall have to prisoner of war in 1863. Thank try the boats, Mr. Smith. She'll God that it can be so.' Then she tells me a perfect little romance the wind picking up each word as

and wants me to go and introduce he uttered it and sweeping them "Why didn't you?" "It isn't good discipline for an enlistad man, you know."

tea to-morrow afternoon, will you?" her?" "How about military dicipline, Miss Bascome?"

marched away. But she said not one word to her

parade. Next afternoon, as Nelly and one could hear each other with greater two girl friends whom she had things for her afternoon tea, the lieutenant colonel's daughter re-

marked to her father, "Dad, I've invited only one man to tea this

Company F."

orderly reported Private Shepherd, cally released the moment the boat of the gale.

saluting.

"Yes, sir. But you didn't ask you will have on board."

down to the fence, the moon guiding her footsteps as it peeped out
from underneath a cloud. Soon it

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the eve of its departure for the those poors front.

didn't marry General Goodlowe's revolver in hand. aughter.
"Tut, tut, child! What are you and I have decided to take to the bridge deck. He had just ten talking about?"

"Well, you know, all that crib- room for all to get away in safety prepare for the next world after bage and all might have ended in if you obey my orders. You will 40 years at sea!

must go to him; that was also clear. where are you?" shouted Mar- very nearly right in her guess. started for the front next morning. The end of the story, in fact, RITCHIE WHARF, CHATHAM, N. B.

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away to leeward, as if jealous of per then called the names of the into an orphanage. If not, well, it "It's a very poor chance," said the mate, 'but I suppose it's our sending first the sailors, so that the house. He thought of his own life, "I think it's lovely. Come to only one. How long do you give mate might place each in his pro- of his hard, ill used boyhood, cabin per station in the boat, before the boy in a Quebec timber ship; of "Half an hour at the outside. firemen, etc., who would be of no his manhood, spent in unremicting use in the critical maneuvers of toil in all parts of the world; of the "Obey my orders," said Nelly severely. And with that she matched away from the ship's side, crowded her up. But these in each of which he had been exampled away from the ship's side, crowded her up. But these in each of which he had been exampled away from the ship's said the match that she is severely. And with that she get them in the water unsmashed, same firemen did not understand pected to use less coal, less paint, and won't the firemen rush them?" his reason and thought he was fewer provisions and to go with "I don't think so," replied the showing undue preference to his smaller crews than in the last. He father about her discovery, al. skipper. "There's time enough and own men, and, a heavier sea than thought of the blackguards he had

could hear each other with greater ease, and the skipper, while taking spread out his hands and pitched not had much fun out of life, and invited out to camp were arranging his revolver from a drawer, gave on to his face, rolling in a limp now he was going to find out what the mate his final instructions.

"We'll lower the forward life-boat first, as she's the biggest. You will take charge of her, get your "The deuce you have!"

"Just so. Private Lee Shepherd, "Dat you can shove off as soon as sl. touches the water. If those patents act, you ought to be all "The rest of the men stopped. They might as well be drowned as shot, huddled they huddled the fireman. That too! If the man should indict him at the bar of the last judgment, he would answer there, as he would have answered to an earthly court, "In patents act, you ought to be all patents act, you ought to be all right." The boats were fitted with lesson and went quietly to the bundle down on to the lee rail. it all meant. Anyway he had al-

is water borne, so that there is no unholding of blocks to be done unholding of blocks to be done out any mishap, and the skipper, "I'm here by order, sir,' said Lee, while the boat is getting dashed to while the boat is getting dashed to the only man left on the deck, wave come out of the mist, and the only man left on the deck, knew it would swamp her. He The lieutenant colonel looked hard at the enlisted man for a moment or two, and then burst out:

"I shall be all right," said the moment or two, and then burst out:

"By jingo! It was no hallucination going to lower the falls of the after all.

Didn't you tell moment or two and then burst out:

"I shall be all right," said the away and drifted out to the full length of her painter. The skip-going to lower the falls of the after boat? You can't manage it from the deck, lowered her. She also got clear away and drifted out to the full length of her painter. The skip-going to lower the falls of the after boat? You can't manage it from the deck, lowered her. She also got clear away and drifted out to the full length of her painter. The skip-going to lower the falls of the after boat? You can't manage it from the deck, lowered her. She also got clear away and drifted out to the full gripped the rail with both hands, and his lips moved in a half forgotten prayer. "Our Father, which art"—and the way are supplied to the fall with both hands, and his lips moved in a half forgotten prayer. "Our Father, which art"—and the way are supplied to the fall way and drifted out to the full length of her painter. The skip-going to lower the falls of the after lowered her. She also got clear away and drifted out to the full gripped the rail with both hands, and his lips moved in a half forgotten prayer. "Our Father, which art"—and the way are supplied to the supplied her art was not always and drifted out to the full way and drift after all. Didn't you tell me you lived in this state?"

boat? You can't manage it from baul up again. He had to pass the body of the dead man, and he did the Saraband had gone. The skipnot look at it. The boat was haul-"I'll lower her from the deck" ing up on the painter and was getme where I was born. I'm from North Carolina, and they say I said the skipper. "If they have a said the skipper got on the boat's bow, and with a cry of

and the boat began to widen infront.

Then she said, taking his arm affectionately: "Dad, I'm glad you married my mamma! I'm glad you didd't my mamma! I'm glad you the skipper came out on the deck, and the boat began to widen instantly, and in spite of the frantic efforts of the sailors at the oars the deeply laden boat was swept away and blotted out in the mist. The skipper got down from the rails boats. There's plenty of time and minutes to live. Ten minutes to

laughter. That's the whole of it." brother. I mean to say if he were I shoot; understand all?"

The girl's trim blue serge was I should have both a father and a There was a low murmer from but small chance to save. Well, he "Mr. Smith will take warge of she would have to give up her lit-

though she knew what was puzzling him when he sat pulling his mustache in the tent after evening look as he led the way down from and he's sending the sailors first."

While the tent after evening look as he led the way down from and he's sending the sailors first."

While the tent after evening look as he led the way down from and he's sending the sailors first."

rose to his feet for one last look to where "there shall be no more sea,

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|         |        |               | PRI          | CEI    | LIST.  |        |         |    |
|---------|--------|---------------|--------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|----|
|         | DYED   |               |              |        |        | OL     | EANSED  |    |
| UITS,   |        |               | 93.05        |        |        |        | FAHOED  |    |
| ANTS.   |        |               | \$2.25       |        | SUITS, |        |         | 81 |
| ESTS,   |        |               | 75           |        | PANTS, |        |         |    |
| VERCOAT |        |               | 50           |        | VESTS, |        |         |    |
| PERCOAL | 0      | ******        | 1,50         |        | COATS, |        |         |    |
| NDERCO. | ATS,   |               | 1.00         |        | OVERO  | DATS,  |         | 1. |
|         |        |               | LAD          | IEC' W | EAR.   |        |         | *  |
|         |        |               | END          | IEO W  | EMIN.  |        |         |    |
|         | DRESS  | BES DYED,     | WHOLE,       |        |        |        | \$1.50  |    |
|         | DRES   | SES DYED.     | RIPPED.      |        |        |        | 1.25    |    |
|         | SKIRT  | S DYED. V     | VHOLE.       |        |        |        | 1.00    |    |
|         | SKIRT  | 'S DYED. H    | RIPPED.      |        |        |        | 75      |    |
|         | WAIST  | IS DYED, V    | VHOLE.       |        |        |        |         |    |
|         | WAIST  | IS DYED, R    | HPPED        |        |        |        | 50      |    |
|         | SHAW   | L8            |              |        |        | ****** | 25      |    |
|         | CLOUI  | nu .          |              |        |        | 50c.   | to 1.00 |    |
|         | SHAW   | Ls, (Berlin,) |              |        | ****** | 25c.   | to 40   |    |
|         | SILK   | DRESSES.      |              |        |        | 40c.   | to 60   |    |
|         | SACQI  |               |              |        | ****** | \$1.00 | to 2,00 |    |
|         |        |               |              | *****  | ****** | 50c,   | to 1,00 |    |
|         | DIVERS | g00D4, 1      | per yard,    |        |        |        | 10      |    |
|         | WIND   | OW CURTAI     | Ns, per yard |        |        |        | 20      |    |
|         | FEATI  | HERS, DYEI    | D            | ****   |        | 25c.   | to 75   |    |
|         |        |               |              |        |        |        |         |    |

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