## EAR.

FREE.

RAND BAY. . Dykeman, went sureday evening. meert in Fores amme consisted s by the Misses Baker, readings ib swinging by performers ace l and many of encored. After nthem, the peoucted a very inthe attendance e delighted with e Fairville Ban-

Samuel Shaw. rent to the New Western round clock last night gine, ran awan e driver, Spitzer

ther had started ine soon struck

magine how he

with all its

FOUS.

NOTICE.

BUSINESS ege men, the early TEN years

IN WINTRY WOODS. wintry woods the heart may find Feattles unnumbered. Softly lined
Are the brown nests with downy snow,
And the brown boughs that to and fro
Sway gettly in the gentle wind
Are white trimmed all. With pale wreaths borne, dericion, N. B. Spruces like maids of constant mind.

Stand fair as erst thro' summer's glow Grey garbed the little snow birds go With happy shirpings. Cedars low And compact shelter moss-banks, vined With dainty traceries fair-designed. Ch. many lovely things I know In wintry woods.

The contributions of Will and Theodore, the youngest members, were always dictated. "They were of, a highly imaginative character, and displayed remarkable intimacy not only with flowers, cats, dogs, and other domestic animals, but also with wonderful sea monsters, snaks, bears, ships on fire and other objects of a highly sensamy friend at court. The eldest brother was the leader of the poetic clan, and frequent contributor. His farewell on leaving home at 19 to take charge of the High School in Chatham is very

My feet are set for other ways
And I go out alone—
Crushing aside the heartsickness
With careless look and tone,
I dash my hand across my eyes
With a laugh that is half a moan;—
Good-bye, good-bye, God rest with thee
My city, Fredericton.

By this time we may call him Young Roberts, "a man of pairts" his professors declare. He has made a brilliant record for himself at the Collegiate School under George H. Parkin, now

## THE FREDERICTON SCHOOL OF POETS:

Paper Read Before the Canadian Literature Club of St. Andrews by Mrs. Helen F. Mowat.

inherit from their mother.

ows and little big joys.

which I am allowed to read to

The following is the foreword

lude written for the first number

THE ATTIC CLUB.

rst. I will give a reason hydrost-atic,

sultry days each member is fan-atic

hus have I proved by methods mathem

And by equations simple, not quadr-atic,
Obtained without resort to means pir-atic,
The Club's full right to be entitled Attic
At risk of being myself called a Lymph-

The following rondeau, also taken

Gostwycke Roberts, now Mrs. A. Mc-

Donald of Fredericton. It displays the

This group consists of three families, in most of his classes in 1879. Two all first cousins by their mother's side, years later he took his M. A. degree in who have achieved distinction in the Greek and higher mathematics. It rary field. There were four sons was about this time, I think, that he one daughter, children of the Rev. published his first book, Orion and ridge Roberts, rector of Frederic- Other Poems, after having sumbitted and his wife, Emma Wetmore them for criticism to Longfellow and whose family name is well known also to J. G. Holland both of whom e annals of this province and also expressed high appreciation of his Tova Scotia. Of Royalist and Loy- talent and advised him to continue descent, these children were, to writing. Not being a Croesus, howthe expression of The Bookman ever, and having married at the early Bliss Carman, "splendidly fore- age of 20, he kept on teaching for three red." I say Royalist, because years. Then he went to Toronto, whether ng the family treasures are cher- he spent a year with Goldwin Smith on diamonds from a coronet pre- the staff of The Week. He then acted by Charles the Second to an cepted a professorship at Windsor Colestress who had befriended him lege, N. S. During the eleven years he in hiding from his enemies. In remained ther he planned many of the instance, at least, King Charles books of prose and poems published be defended from the charge so later. In 1895 he left Windser, having brought against him of ingrati- decided finally to adopt literature as a to those who had succoured him profession, and is now C. G. D. Robs hour of need. The Loyalist blood erts, M. A., F. R. S. C.; F. R. S. L. poet, prose writer, novelist tournalist think one always feels a curiosity translator, historian, besides being one the early training and life of the of the very best authorities on Canors whose books we read, and in adian history and literature. His Engdays when we read and hear so lish is always pure and choice and about evolution, it is especially when in his artistic language he deresting to trace the evolution of an picts places or scenery, he puts picor from one you have known as a tures before us that charm and fascinate and make us feel that he has won st appears "Charlie Roberts," the 'from the woods and waves some of the dreamy, studious youth, whose precious secrets of beautiful mother like that of most Fredericton nature.

was his pet recreation outside his The second brother, Gooderidge, was Outside his home, because the destined for the church, a young man walls of that old red brick rectory of goodly promise, who died just after in its lovely old garden and shad- completing his studies at Windsor Col-

by magnificent trees, to which lege. family moved from Westmorland William Carman, named after Bliss when Charlie was 13, enclosed an Carman's fat er, has won great repuhome. There the parents, young tation as poet and journalist. He acted selves, made themselves good as war correspondent during the Spanprades of their children and entered ish -American war. His and his broaghly into their work and pleas- ther Theodore's poems and articles, as sympathizing in all their big little well as those from the pen of their talented sister, always find ready acceptwas rather a fad in Fredericton, ance and good remuneration from the se young people edited a magazine. publishers of the leading magazines on s was called ."The Attic Portfolio" the continent. These three published a reasons which will be later explain- delightful book of poems called "North-The first number was issued in land Lyrics." It was dedicated to their 1879, in manuscript, from the At- mother, and had a foreword by C. G. the Fredericton Rectory by the D. Roberts, and an afterword by Bliss

Club. Every member of the Carman. schold from the head of the house Bliss Carman is somewhat younge to the babies of two and four, than Roberts and did not launch on his to contribute an original artilcle literary career quite so early in life. not even the busy house-mother His first poems appeared in the Univerexempt except on rare occasions. sity Monthly, during his college days. know she seldom took advant- He comes from the same stock as Emof that privilege, and how pre- merson, but has the spirit and blood of must those records be to her the U. E. Loyalist in his heart and when her boys are scattered, one veins. Like his cousin's, his course at in the hey-day of a promising the U. N. B. was a notable one and real, Three Rivers and Quebec. to the happier home above, and supplemented by special courses at daughter, repeating the sweet Harvard and Edinburgh. He is proin a home of her own! She nounced by critics the most original of early age of 13 was editor of the Canadian verse writers. His lyrics are fortnightly paper. There were charming, for instance his "April Weanstant contributors outside the ther," while his Coronation Ode disy circle, Bessie Jack, then a child plays a sweep and freedom the heroic ng at the Rectory, and Jean Mursetting demands. In it the voice of man, a first cousin, and sister patriotism and loyalty rings loud and Carman, who is now the wife clear, as in Theodore Roberts' poem of of. W. F. Ganong of Smith Col- Dargai Ridge, in which he tempts us hose very interesting pamphlet to believe he has a drop of the Scotchoice very interesting particles are to believe its blood of which so many of us are on for the club evening proud, when we come to the lines

"The heart that shakes with a mad derough the great kindness of a light or member of the Attic Club, I am

ossessor of some interesting selec- At the name of a Highland clan." Carman is a prolific writer, bringing out one and sometimes two volumes of poems yearly ever since 1893. It is inyou will find it very witty and teresting to know that he is the original of Sargent's representation of the prophet Hosea, "the most fashionable

the Attic Club, of which the Attic, h it meets is highly emblem-atic. y? My reasons may appear err-atic, set forth in language most emph-Mrs. Straton, wife of Francis A. H. Straton, late judge of probates for York county, was a sister of Mr. Robmight say more properly, aquatic, dy, that 'tis a sea being Adriatic, so within an ace of Asiatic, a dry room and therefore not rheumexceptionally clever woman, I believe, who used to write for the amusement She died leaving a young family. One Hub is new, and so perhaps pneum- or two of the sons had literary tastes and one occasionally meets with fugimeidlesome and so not numism-atio.
in a Rectory and not prel-atic,
not hip roofed and therefore not scitive pieces of merit in magazines over the signature of Barry Straton,

### Club meets Wednesday, so it is not The Postmaster States His Case.

DODD'S KIDNEY PILLS DISPOSED OF HIS KIDNEY TROUBLES.

om the Attic Portfolio, is written by Reason Why He Thinks the Great he youthful editor, Jane Elizabeth Right Medicine for Kidney Trouble, and will do all that is Claimed for It. LOWER WINDSOR, Carleton Co., N. B., Feb. 5.—(Special.)—Postmaster
T. H. Belyea of Lower Windsor, is among the many in the maritime pro
ed by a bond in the New York custom earned vacation.

Peter Innes of Coldbrook has been appointed president of the Fruit Grow
ers' Association. vinces who are shouting the praises of Dodd's Kidney Pills. The postmaster was troubled with Kidney Complaint. He tried various medicines and found no relief. He tried again with Dodd's Kidney Pills and got a complete and permanent cure. In a statement to the public Postmaster Relyea says:

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BAD NEWS CAME SLOWLY.

Carleton Man's Brother Died a Year

J. H. Gosline of the West side, yesterday received word of the death of his brother, S. H. Gosline, which occurred almost a year age at Winona, Miss. The delay in receiving the information was due to the fact that neither of the two families knew just where the other was, and the letter received here came indirectly. The late Mr. Gosline was a native of Havelock, engaged in systematizing the Cecil and a carpenter by trade. He was marhe carried off prizes, medals and scholarships, graduating with high honors upwards of twenty-five years.

Rear the Bears the Bignature of Carried States for upwards of twenty-five years.

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oxygen is life to an animal, is deadly

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La Grippe
Leucorrhea
Liver Troubles
Malaria—Neuralgia
Many Heart Trouble
Piles—Pneumonia
Pleurisu

STRIPPING EMMERSON

Of the Control of the Canals—Is Now Only Minister of Railways.

(Special to the Sun.) lominion grant for Ottawa University. The premier replied that it was a pro- from Lord Strathcona. vincial matter, and he could not therefore recommend it.

portfolio. The swearing in ceremony

took place at the office of the governor general in the eastern block At a conference today between Laurier. Prefontaine and Sutherland it was today. decided to transfer to Prefontaine's taine gets the St. Lawrence ship chan- with the minister. nel, the shipyard at Sorel and the sup-

, and labor council for injurious state-OTTAWA, Feb. 5.-Sir James Grant ments published in connection with and Mr. Belcourt, M. P., waited on the existing strike at Eddy's mills. Laurier this morning and asked for a Several citizens of Ottawa have received presents of English pheasants

his new position as medical inspector Or is she fairly dainty and winsome-Mr. Hyman was sworn in a mem- of immigration. He will also have ber of the cabinet today without a medical care of the Indians. Hydraulic lot owners of Ottawa are proposing to form a merger with a Sound information concerning her view to conserving their interests.

Dr. Byrce has assumed the duties of

As Sir Frederick Borden is still uncontrol the charge of all canals now in derging medical treatment at Boston, Emmerson's department, while from General Lord Dundonald has gone to the public works department Prefor- that city to discuss military matters

Rev. J. G. Shearer of Toronto, secervision of the harbor boards of Mont- retary of the Lord's Day Alliance, was here today in connection with legisla- What sort of hunauc shall I be feeling? OTTAWA, Feb. 5.-The Eddy Co. tion which the alliance is asking from threatens to bring an action for libel parliament. Mr. Shearer left for Nev against the officers of the local trades Brunswick tonight.

A ROUNDABOUT MESSAGE. Telegram Sent From St. John to Halifax via Ireland.

(St. John Star.) carried away a number of telegraph nois, is expected this week. poles and the wires thereon, thus breakand Halifax. Supt. Dawson, of the Campbellton on Sunday next. Co., whose office is at Halifax. The message was sent from St. John to Sydney, which is the Canadian end of the Anglo-American cable, and from there to Valencia, in Ireland. From Valencia it was transmitted by land wire to erts and Mrs. Carman. She was an Ballyskillings, the Ireland end of the Direct Co.'s cable, and from Ballyskillings to Halifax, where it was received of her friends but never published. by Supt. Fenn, who in turn forwarded it to Manager McKee. The message could not be sent from Sydney direct to Halifax as the wires between these points run via Truro, and were broken in the accident. But the message might have gone direct from St. John

> IROQUOIS FIRE COMPLICATIONS. United States Government Mixed Up in the Matter-A Question of Duty on Burned Scenery.

to Halifax if it had been sent by C. P.

R. wires, which were not broken,

government has become a party to the clamation. complications growing out of the Iro- | The hockey match on Monday eventhe most pretentious extravaganza ever and the town resulted in a draw. wardrobe and effects is variously es- ers' Association. timated at from \$40,000 to \$60,000. The Stewart Leary, government, for duties in event of failof its origin, required a bond of \$18,000. was formerly from Lunenburg Co. British underwriters insured the property in part for the Drury Lane company, and it is upon them and upon the day.

Drury Lane company the property loss will fall. Klaw and Erlanger, the American lesbond, are attempting to secure release in St. John. on the ground that the property is nonexistent.

HAMLET'S CASTLE IN DANGER. NEW YORK, Feb. 5.-The Danish castle of Kronborg, famous as the Elsinore of Shakespere's Hamlet, is threatened, according to an American despatch from Berlin, with destruction by the undermining tides of the Kattegat. The foundations are seriously damaged and the castle may have to be pulled down, together with the terrace on which the ghost of Hamlet's father appeared.

ST. PIERRE DISASTER

PARALLELED. AMSTERDAM, Holland, Feb. 5 .- Advices received here say that an entire town in the island of Java, Dutch East Indies, is reported to have been swallowed up by a volcanic eruption and that hundreds of persons were killed.

CASTORIA

WOLFVILLE AND ACADIA. WOLFVILLE, Feb. 3.-Miss Lila Kempton, who has been ill for four weeks, is now very low, and little hope

When the express rolled over the is entertained of her recovery. Her bank at Milford on Wednesday the cars brother, Rev. Judson Kempton of Illi-Dr. Tretter has gone for a six weeks ing communication between St. John tour of points in N. B. He preaches at The engagement of Miss Winnifred sage of instructions to Manager Mc- Caldwell, daughter of Prof. Caldwell, Kee at Halifax, and in order to reach Acadia, '98, to Oliver T. Ledford, a young business man of St. Louis, is anits destination the message was sent young business man of St. Louis, is anounced. The marriage will take place nounced. The marriage will take place ed to Supt. Fenn, of the Direct Cable at the home of her sister, Mrs. Herbert Stuart, on March 31st, at St. Louis. Mrs. Frederick Johnson has returned from several months' visit to Montreal. where she went for medical treatment. Her health is much improved. Mrs. Lorin Franklyn, who accompanied her, has also returned.

Mr. Gifkins, manager of the D. A. R., has returned from a business trip to Boston. Mr. Mann of the firm of McKenzie & Mann passed through here in a special train on Saturday for Bridgewater, where he will inspect the Southwestern

F. O. Robinson, manager of the Union Bank at Kentville, was called to Sydney by the serious illness of his father, Wallace Robinson, who died on Saturday, aged 62. He was a well known ousiness man of Sydney.

The election for town councillors took place today, and the vote resulted in a recently erected at that progressive large majority for W. H. Duncanson, Ruban Wallace and W. H. Black. Dr. CHICAGO, Feb. 5.-The United States De Witt was re-elected mayor by ac-

Canadian Kidney Remedy is the quois fire. Mr. Bluebeard, said to be ing in Aberdeen rink between Acadia sent out on the road in America, was Rev. Dr. Dill, pastor of the St. Anowned in England and the scenery, cos- drews Presbyterian church, has gone to tumes and other properties were cover- New York and Washington on a well

> spected resident of White Rock, died The interior and a side door ure to return the plant to the country at his home on Tuesday, aged 53. He Robert Trenholm, an old resident, died at his home at Grand Pre on Mon-

> Miss Gertrude Sherwood of Sussex is visiting at the home of J. M. Walker. building and C. B. Moore was foreman Miss Elkin, who has been visiting of the work. ees of the play, who filed the custom friends here, has returned to her home

W. C. Archibald was in Sackville this week in consultation with Dr. Borden the Methodist church, officiated; inas to the plans for beautifying the park terment in the new cemetery at this in connection with the Ladies' College. Stanley De Witt of Sydney visited his father, Dr. De Witt, this week. He ex- was held at the Methodist parsonage pects shortly to mave his head business at Albert on Tuesday night, some \$62 office to Truro, where he will reside. W. C. Roscoe was elected mayor of Kentville by acclamation. MERCENARY.

"He's a mercenary wretch." "What

kes you think so? "He married Smith's steam mill has begun sawses Goldie Rox, and I was trying to ing at the Cape for Capt. A. G. Dixon get her myself."—Chicago Evening and others. SIR WILFRID'S CHILLS.

(Toronto Emipre.) Wilfrid Laurier, having felt the beside the tracks annunted to 23,031 temperature of the political waters, cubic feet. It took 77 cars with double thinks that they are a trifle too cold drop sides to take this out, their capa-

for a pluage at present. "Is Maggie a good planist?" "Is of heusecleaning, 4 foremen and 46 she? W'y you should hear her play de laborers to shovel the dict into the cars. Holy City in rag time!"-Puck,

CUPID IN CHINA.

In a small boat or sampan that was cored with many others, in a muddy creek of the great river that flows past Canton, into the China Sea, lived a decent Chinaman, with his wife and quently. children, amongst whom was Ah-Sing, a well-set, sturdy youth of eighteen.

Ah-Sing was not a prodigy. He, of course, possessed a pig-tail, long and thick, and his clothes were of coarse material; and of the inevitable indigo blue; but under his shaven brows there twinkled a pair of bright, honest eyes, and the frank expression of his 50c Bottle Free ruddy face atoned for the plainness of his features, and gave him an attrac-

If you need throwns, and have never tried it, picase send to the coupon. We will then need you an order on your local druggist for a full-size bottle, and tion that many of the river folk lack. Now Ah Sing has reached his present age without having fallen a victim to the charms of any of the maidwe will pay your drumstst ounselves for it. This is our tree gift, made to convince you; to show you what Liquozone is, and what it can do. In justice to yourself, please accept it to-day, for it places you under to obligation whatever. ens around him. Had he been born to higher rank his friends would probably have chosen him a wife, whose face he would not have seen till after the wedding ceremony was over; but amongst the lower classes of the Chinese the ancient rules that regulate Liquozone costs soc. and \$2. these things are perforce relaxed, and the river population are considered the CUT OUT THIS COUPON lowest of the low, so that even the poorest of the landfolk look down upon those who have no home but a boat. My disease is

I have never tried Liquizzone or Powley's
Liquified Ozene, but if you, will supply me a
50c, bottle free I will take it, and intermarriage is almst unknown. Many a river girl, as she lowered a bucket over the hostside for water to

Give full address-write plainly

LEAP YEAR PROSPECTS.

(Punch.)

Tell me of her that is coming to woo me.

Courage in celibates worn at the knee,

Floods of hyperhole, butter and gueb?

Say, if the lady insists upon knowling,

I have emitted a faltering "Yes."

When it's applied to a definite fact.

HOPEWELL HILL.

high with basement. The front of the

lower flat are the dry goods, groceries

and hardware and boot and shoe de-

office, the upper flat being occupied by

storerooms and grain bins, the latter

grain with a spout for conveying the

grain to the lower floor. The store has

two front entrances and a side door

the counters being of hardwood with

plate glass tops. The building is heat-

ed with hot air and lighted by acety-

lene gas: A freight elevator is being

put 'n. W. E. Reid, architect, of

Riverside, made the plans for the

The funeral of the late Mrs. Mc-

Laughlin of Chester took place this

afternoon. Rev. J. K. King, pastor of

A donation to the Rev. Mr. King

The first mail received since Tues-

day was distributed this morning, hav-

ing been driven down. The train

reached Salisbury today after a three

days' struggle with the drifts and is

In cleaning out the Hoosao tunnel

the scrapings from the roof and other

dirt which had fallen from the engines

and had been swept into small piles

city equiling 275 ordinary flat cars.

Fifty men were employed in this task

The tunnel is now clean again, after

place.

being realized.

expected down tonight.

having capacity for 2,000 bushels of

partments, the private office and post

lower story is of plate glass. In the

gloomy

in some

"means."

deep sigha

shoulder.

in high esteem.

make tea had thrown admiring glances at Ah Sing, but in vain. He went on his way unconcernedly, whistling merrily, and working industriously in the slimy ricefields, till at last he met his fate, as she walked sedately along the top of the earth banks that divide the Liquozone was formerly known in Canada as Powiey's Liquified Ozone. rice patches, carrying on her shoulder a bamboo pole, at the ends of which were balanced two heavy bales of tea. The pity of it was, the girl was not a river-dweller, but an helress of the Dawn, at whose breaking the hearts of the prejudice that forbids marriage with those despised people. And yet as Lu-Quicken like trees at the presage of spring, Ta noticed Ah-Sing's evident admira-

tion of her, she could not but admit to herself that he looked as good a man Year whose propitious arrival may restitute as har brothers and neighbors; even, Friend of philogamists baffled and destitute, perhaps—she blushed as she thought it -a little better. What of the bride you are bringing to me? And while, as yet, no word had passed them, Lu-Ta, as she prepared for her Is she a maiden commanding and queenly-Deep-eyed and beautiful, pleasant and day's work before leaving the home of her father, Chen-Too, dressed her dark

hair with more than usual care, and Is she-great Weller!-a widow, serenely stuck a bright silken flower in its folds, Settled on trying her fortunes again? in the unacknowledged hope of seeing again that eager, adoring glance from Sweet one-and-twenty, or still to her teens? the eyes of Ah-Sing. Speak of her looks and her "ways" and put Ah-Sing was a simple lad, but he was not without a sturdy courage of his own, and after he had exchanged glances and glances only-with his

adored one for many days, he took the How will she woe me; With oging and hull by the horns one morning, and addressed La-Ta as she was about to pass should I be placedly blind to her sheeps' "Good morning. Ornament of Palaces," How in the world can I compare a blush?

Calls me beloved " it may be or 'sweet." servant?" What shall I do with my hands and my did I accent a gift from a strange man.' and her voice was like music in Ah-Sing's ears, even in his disappointment. Ta began to feel quite secure in her "But, see," added the girl, "if I give floating home, surrounded as it was When, in response to her fervid persuasion. Who should proceed to improve the occathee this dower from my hair for them,

Which should impart the initial caress? call it a bargain." If she takes liberties ought I to scold her? Is it "laid down," or a matter of taste, sand times too much. But I take it, Which head reclines on the other one's

and thank thee for the gift." Whose arm encircles the other one's waist? "Nay,' replied Lu-Ta, "it is no gift, Truly, O Leap Year, your sporting tradition, high price for thy two beautiful eggs;" and she cast down her eyes demurely, Rather inverts one's accust med position, Rather demands the employment of tact! Still, it displays a refreshingly bright side-Novel, as well; for however things go, ed as usual, when he spoke again. "Oh treated his wife.
Light of the Morning," he said, "I The honest, br I'm not afraid of them-I'm on the right I neednd't fear that monotonous "Ne."

would make another bargain with thee." "And what is that?" asked Lu-Ta; "hast thou some more eggs to sell? HOPEWELL HILL, Jan. 28.-Mrs. or hast thou lost the flower I sold McLaughlin, mother of Wm. McLaugh-

thee?" lin, died at the home of her son at "Na, surely --- " and the boy's Chester yesterday morning. The dehand went involuntarily to his coarse ceased came here from Kings county blouse - "the flower is safe. But I several years ago, and was nearly 90 would like to exchange my name for years of age. She leaves one son and thine, and I know not what to call three unmarried daughters living at home and three married daughters, thee."

So very shyly Lu-Ta whispered her who reside at Hampton. She was held name ,and heard Ah-Sing's in return, Mrs. Benjamin Fales is ill at her and from that morning each knew home here. Dr. Carnwath is attending that they loved, and were beloved in her, and Dr. Lewis of Hillsboro has return, though Lu-Ta, knowing the extent of her people's prejudice against also been summoned. extent of her people's prejudice against HOPEWELL HILL, Jan. 29.—The river people, dared not look ahead, beyond these pleasant walks, day by day, new store of W. J. Carnwath at Riverside, which is now occcupied, adds another to the fine lot of new buildings afar, she could recognize the figure across the rice fields, where, even from that was daily becoming more dear to village. The building stands on the corner lot adjoining the public hall, her. and is 70 by 48 feet and two stories

But the bold boy, Ah-Sing, worked, and thought, and planned, knowing sorrowful thoughts, when her attention that the day was drawing near when Lu-Ta would probably be given to someone to wife, and resolutely he toiled from the earliest light of dawn till twilight, and at last he spoke. "Oh, Queen of my Life," he began,

going straight to the point as usual, "thou knowest that I love thee, and would make thee my wife." "Alas!" faltered Lu-Ta, "I know it, and know well that I cannot be thy

long ago to Tas-Shu, the rich duck-

Ah-Sing's brow darkened. "But thou wilt never be his wife," he urged. "Pro- face distorted even in death by mise me! Thou must be mine, for we hate and terror, and on the cord love each other. Is it not so?" "It is even so,' 'the girl replied, "but thou knowest we may not marry with did Lu-Ta know to what length a the river people; and Tas-Shu hath a passionate, evil-tempered husband large house, and many hundreds of would carry his violence, and as she servants to attend me."

"What matter?" Ah-Sing replied. to Tcheng, the boat-builder, and he which she had been saved. In the rehas made me a sampan? Yea, and I vulsion of feelings that rushed over have even paid for it?" he added, her, she saw Ah-Sing in his true light, proudly, "for I work hard, as thou and the little cramped beat became to seest."

the landmen, and thou art a far bet- box-like cabin, where her patient huster man than Tas-Shu; and handsom- band sat waiting, and threw herself

heart was heavy within him. "Nay," replied the maiden, tenderly. grets for the past, and became heart "I would rather a thousand times live and soul a river-dweller. - London in thy sampan with thee and cook thy News.

rice, and make thy tea, than dwell in the Forbidden City at Pekin, with the 'Son of Heaven' himself.' "Then why shall we not marry at alone or with some affix no less than once?" asked Ah-Sing, his usually twenty-two times.

stolid face glowing now with happiness to hear Lu-Ta's words.

should we wait any longer?" "Thou Rnowest, Ah-Sing, my father and all my people would curse me And, indeed, my father would strangle me before he would let thee have me And Tas-Shu would marry Fan-She and I hate her," she added, unconse-

"What matters it whom he marries? Thou carest not for him?" "No, truly, I hate him; but Fun-She hath always vowed that she would marry better than I, and I fear she is

more beautiful than I am." But Ak-Sing stoutly swore by all his ancestors and by a thousand and one gods that he worshipped, that Fan-She was but a miserable, one-eyed slave, with skin like sackcloth, and hair like the river weed—compared with La-Ta; and the latter believed him, and was comforted, but still she hung back, and hesitated to incur the odium of marrying a despised denizen of the river.

At last, however, Ah-Sing prevailed, and it was arranged that when old Chen-Foo made his next journey to burn offerings at the grave of his ancestors, Lu-Ta should meet her impatient lover, and the pair should be made man and wife, and seek the shelter of the river community.

"For thou knowest," said Ah-Sing, 'that I have moored my sampan far down the river, in a creek near to Canton, and when we are married thy father will never think to seek there among the boats.

"That is true," Lu-Ta assented, "but shall never dare to return to this side of the river again, for fear he might kill

"The other side is fairer and richer than this, and I will find work in the great city, where I have knowledge of

many people." Se it was all arranged and one morning very early the lovers met on the borders of the ricefield, and fied unseen by anyone across the "Bridge of Ten Thousand Ages," and down the river side, till they came to the place where Ah-Sing had arranged for the marriage ceremeny to be performed, on one of the floating temples. The priests, who conduct the religious ceremonies for the river people had-for a consideration-decorated their church boat with all kinds of banners and streamers, with plenty of lucky red on every hand. There the lovers were made man and wife, with many quaint and mystic rites, and ere the night fell they stepped on board the trim little boat, that

up her people for him. And now Ah-Sing was happy, if ever Chinaman was. So, too, was Lu-Ta but not quite so happy as her proud

Ah-Sing had worked so hard to buy

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husband Old Chen-Foo never found his daughter; probably he gave himself very little trouble to seek for her, for daughters are terribly cheap in China, and one more or less-especially one lessmatters very little. If the pet singinghe began, "wilt thou deign to accept bird that Chen-Foo always carried these two duck eggs from thy humble about with him had escaped from its cage there would have been a terrible "That I cannot do," faltered Lu-Ta outcry; but a mere daughter, he was shyly, "for my father would beat me not so foolish as to put himself out on her account.

Although as the time went on, Luby hundreds of exactly similar boats, will that suffice? Then we may justly yet she was not quite content. thought that she had descended in the "Surely it will suffice," gasped Ah- social scale, that she had made herself Sing, overjoyed. "Rather it is a thou- an outcast from her own people, rank-'led in her mind and disturbed her

peace. Then, too, Ah-Sing had heard from an it is but a flower, and it is not a acquaintance, who worked across the river, that Tas-Shu had actually married the bold beauty, and the thought as Ah-Sing placed in her hand the of her rival's triumph added fuel to the eggs wrapped in a bread leaf. Next smouldering fiames of her discentent, morning Ah-Sing worked hard, and in spite of the fact that rumor also asyet waited impatiently till Lu-Ta pass- serted that the rich man beat and ill-

The honest, bright-faced Ah-Sing no longer had the power that he once possessed to charm away his wife's rows, and the poor fellow at last began to notice the evident fretfulness and irritability of the once cheerful girl. This unhappy state of things had last-

ed for some time, and Ah-Sing, who was not a genius, had become so puzzled by Lu-Ta's varying moods that he was almost as unhappy as his wife, when a seemingly accidental occurrence put an end to the girl's regrets for-

It happened one evening that Ah-Sing was later than usual in reaching home after his day's work, and when Lu-Ta had placed before him the evening meal that she had long had in readiness, she left her husband to eat it alone, and retired to the farther end of the boat. The moon was in its second quarter, and its beams silvered and beautified the broad river, across which she gazed sadly in the direction of her old home. She had been there a long time, giving free rein to her was attracted by an object that came floating down, slowly and fitfully, towards the sampan. She gazed at it listlessly, however, even when she discerned the outline of a human body, for Chinese feelings are not too sensitive, and a dead body is no uncommon sight on the river. But when the floating object struck the side of the boat, it turned over, and the moon's rays shone full on the dead face of Fan-She, wife, for my father hath promised me Lu-Ta's old playmate, and sometimes rival. Then the tragedy of the meeting struck the girl, and she gazed with a horror too deep for words on the that still bound the neck, and showed had death had been inflicted. Too well duck eggs, and he will give me maid- sank down to the bottom of the sampan, with her hands pressed over her eyes to shut out the dreadful sight, she Knowest thou not that I have been saw in a flash the evil chances from her a haven of refuge. "That I know," she answered, ad- had recovered sufficiently to scramble miringly, "I love thee better than all to her feet, she tottered into the little on her knees before him, while she "Then why wilt thou not be my poured out with a flood of tears her wife; Why dest thou delay? Thinkest confession and remorse. Poer Ahthou of the large house and the Sing, it was another puzzle for him, maid-servants, and the many duck but he here it manfully, and from that eggs?" Ah-Sing spoke bitterly, for his night began an era of peace that was never broken, for Lu-Ta buried her re-

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