

THE WIDOW

The widow can shape, and the widow can sew,

THE widow can bake, and the widow can brew,

And mony braw things the widow can do,

Then have at the widow, my laddie:

With courage attack her baith early and late;

To kiss her and clap her ye mauna be blate;

To win a young widow, my laddie.

The widow she's youthfu', and never a hair The waur of the wearing, and has a good share

And has a rich jointure, my laddie.

What could ye wish better, your pleasure to crown Than a widow the bonniest toast in the town,

With natching but draw in your stool and sit down

And spore with the widow, my laddie

Then till her, and kill her with courtesy dead,

Of everything lovely; she's witty and fair,

Speak well, and do better ; for that's the best gate

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witness, though the evidence against him Philip Owen was not to be made unpopu-was by no means so strong as that against him even by the unpopularity of his pathis innocence, to trace out the true incen-his fellow-prisoners; and it was clear that in the amiable, true, and kind, diary. Nothing, however, could be distingted by the diary. GERMAN PEACE PROPOSALS

his was exactly the case in which testi-his was exactly the case in which testi-avail. The defences had ended, and the him. He was clever, too, very clever, the credit of the witnesses, who, with the conference, the Entente Allies, in a coljudge was beginning to sum up, when with a remarkable aptitude for teaching, exception of the farmer himself, seemed lective note, declare that they "refuse to addenly a tail, gaunt, upright figure, with as both parents and boys soon found to all friendly to the accused, and most disconsider a proposal, which is empty and calm, thoughtful brow, and a determined their mutual satisfaction; for the progress tressed at being obliged to bear testimony insincere."

in the witnesses' box. He was dressed in that made in a twelve-month under the most zealous of his friends could find no Ambassador Sharpe to-day by Premier a smock-frock, and was clean and respect-able in appearance, but evidently poor. The judge intercupted himself in his after a hard day's fagging at Latin and one rasked, being still confined by severe "The Allied governments of Belgium". "The Alhed governments of Belgium harge to inquire the man's business; and English, and writing, and accounts, and illness. France, Great Britain, Italy, Japan, Mont-

hearing that he was a voluntary witness, and hearing that he drudgery of a boys' school, he for the undefended prisoner, proceeded to question him, when the following dialogue home in order to give Lucy Mayne a less troductory ceremonies were gone through erty of their peoples and faithful to took place. The witness's replies, which son in French or Italian. For a certainity, the cause was called on, and the case engagements taken not to lay down their seemed to me then, and still do so, very Philip Owen must have had a strong proceeded with little or no deviation from arms separately, have resolved to reply striking from their directness and manli- natural turn for playing the pedagogue, or the evidence already cited. When called collectively to the pretended proposition ness, were delivered with the same he never would nave gone so far out of upon for his defence, the prisoner again of peace which were addressed to them humble boldness of tone and manner that his way just to read Fénelon and Alfieri asked if Lucy Mayne was in court, and on behalf of the enemy governme characterized the words.

numble poinciess of tone and manner that haracterized the words. *Judge.* "You are a witness?" "I am, my lord. I heard that he was to at the observer, who declared that the anter relief and American American and American and American and American and American and American and American hearing that she was ill in her father's through the intermediary of the United States, Spain, Switzerland and Holland, who declared that the anter who declared that be tried to-day, and have walked twenty miles to speak the truth of him, as one poor man may do of another." mothing but Philip's attention had kept him alive so long, was evidently on his death-bed, Farmer Mayne suddenly turn-the willage, everybody, in short, who ever the village, everybody, in short, who ever ed Mrs. Owen, her son, and her sick had an opportunity of knowing him, even the war and proclaim the victory of the "A laborer, my lord; nothing but a daughter out of the house, which, by his his reputed rival, Mr Hawkins, who, Central Powers.

No one that had the misfortune to reside during the last winter in the disturbed districts of the south of England will ever forget the awful impression of the concealed incendiaries, of the misguided peasantry amongst the wild hills, partly heath and partly wood land, of which so much of the northern wild hills, partly heath and partly wood land, of which so much of the northern wild will so the northern wild hills, partly heath and partly wood land, of which so much of the northern wild wood function the northern wild wood land, of which so much of the northern wood function the northern wood function the northern wild wood land, of which so much of the northern wood function the north

father's arms, and cried out, with a shril l be opened is not an offer of peace. The putting forward by the imperial govern-

interpretation of the character of the struggle in the past, the present and the

" As for the past, the German note takes no account of facts, dates and figures appeared that what she said was most sired, provoked and declared by Germany true; that the lovers, for such they were and Austria-Hungary.

having seen from her chamber-window Austria-Hungary, who, after having ad flown with a taper in her hand to secure dressed to Serbia an unprecedented ult matum, declared war upon her in spite of



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which his part of Hampshire is composed, dropping in one by one, and two by two in the gloom of evening, or the dim twilight of a November morning; or the open and noisy destroy machinery, and compelling or per-this desperate, yet most cowardly sin! suading their fellow-laborers to join them one scarcely knew how, in a few hours; their daylight marches on the high road, regular and orderly as those of any army, or their midnight visits to lonely houses, or their midnight visits to lonely houses, and long to the theory of the tracted most attention and excited most attention and excited most attention and excited most attention and excited most attention. peaceful and happy England. In the sis-ter island, indeed, we had read of such horrors, but now they were brought home ed our faith in human nature.

poor man may do of another." "What is your situation in life?"

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November morning; or the open and noisy beautiful and comfortable of the elements judge's charge, with full as much respect. The cause of Farmer Mayne's inveter--a sinful destruction of the bounties of clergymen and magistrates for the rest of ate dislike to one whom he had so warm. despairing voice, that "She was the only in the streets and greens of our Berkshire villages, and even sometimes in the very churchyards, sallying forth in small but churchyards, sailying forth in small but resolute numbers to collect money or destroy machinery, and compelling or per-

To return, however, from my evil habit had unwittingly trodden on Mayfly's foot, The general consternation may be im The blow seemed to fall, too, just where of digression (if I may use an Irish or had opposed some prejudice of her agined, especially that of the farmer, who at every larm mey visited; or the sudden appearance and disappearance of these it might least have been looked for,-on phrase) before I begin, and making my master's,-but his general carefulness not had left his daughter almost insensible appearance and disappearance of these large bodies, who sometimes remained together to the amount of several hundreds on those who were known only as the simple sin to which in many instances, ered either of these conjectures improbfor many days, and sometimes dispersed, laborer's friends; to impoverish whom and especially in this, I am fain to plead able;-perhaps he had been found only was immediately summoned, and it then which established that the war was de-

lawless and terrific as the descent of and ninety, the best of the good, the kind- interest in this part of the country, was when his landlord Squire Hawkin's bloodpirates or the incursions of banditti;-all est of the kind. Occurrences like this the conflagration of certain ricks, barns, hunter was seen every day at Farmer Philip Owen leaving the yard, she had brought close to us a state of things which were in every way dreadful. They made and farm-buildings, in the occupation of Mayne's door, it had become currently we never thought to have witnessed in us fear (and such fear is a revengeful Richard Mayne; and that, not so much reported and confidently believed, that the expected letter, and, alarmed at her

as on account of the character and situa- was determined to break off, in order to the lighted taper amidst the hay; that

horrors, but now they were brought home to our very household hearths; we tasted of fear, the bittercat cup that an imagin-ative woman can taste, in all its agonizing varieties; and felt, by sad experience, the tremendous difference between that dis-tant report of danger, with which we had so otter fancied that we symmathized and com-tant were taken. Examination and commit-tant report of danger, with which we had

tant report of danger, with which we had so often fancied that we sympathized, and the actual presence of danger itself. Such events are salutary, inasmuch as they in the rick-yard of Farley Court, and the whole truth, and nothing but the prime data are presence of danger itself. Such events are salutary, inasmuch as they in the rick-yard of Farley Court, and the whole truth, and nothing but the prime data are presence of danger itself. Such events are salutary, inasmuch as they in the rick-yard of Farley Court, and the whole truth, and nothing but the prime data are presence of the day; the events are salutary, inasmuch as they integrated the data are presence of the day; the events are salutary, inasmuch as they integrated the data are presence of the day; the events are salutary, inasmuch as they integrated the data are presence of the day; the events are salutary, inasmuch as they integrated the data are presence of the day; the events are salutary, inasmuch as they integrated the data are presence of the day; the events are salutary, inasmuch as they integrated the data are presence of the day; the events are salutary, inasmuch as they integrated the data are presence of the second the prime of the second the salutary are to an understanding on the rector and half the farmers of the suffice for our prime of the second the prime of the prime of the second the prime of the prime the rector and half the farmers of the suffice for our purpose.

ate self-deceit. I could not but smile at sible escape; and every door was watched Richard Mayne was a weathy yeoman place offered to become bail; but the of young landlord and generous rival added writers who wrote far too well to feel any. prits, praying for admission to their un- good-natured, but cross-grained and ob- young man, was the knowledge that the I recollected how often, not intending to fear.

myself had written such.

Nor were the pr-parations for defence, the array of counsel; the crowded court; now been for two or three years a against him was terribly strong. He had however necessary, less shocking than the the solemn trial; the awful sentence;-all widower, with one only daughter, a girl been observed lurking about the rick-yard apprehensions of attack. The hourly the more impressive from the merciful of nineteen, of whom he was almost as with a lantern, in which a light was burnunfaithful found,"-and was, therefore, jury, and the then high sheriff, with whom fly had won three cups, and that Lucy had stack was on fire, and at ten Robert Doyle our country to register a protest against

mounted patrol, whose deep "All's well !" as truth is beyond fiction.

continual sense of nervous inquietude. Fearful, however, as were the realities, more than all, the appearance of the lass within ten miles, he was not so far ing his full name on the seal at the ead the rumors were a hundred-fold more prisoners themselves, belonging mostly to wrong as many of his hearers were apt to was found close to where the fire was some quarter or other, reports came pour men as one is accustomed to see in the After all, the person to whom Lucy's of the village, with whom the young man's position. Oleomargarine in times past alarming. Not an hour passed, but, from the younger classes of the peasantry, such think him.

ing in of mobs gathering, mobs assembled, fields, on the road, or the cricket-ground, education owed most was a relative of talents and character had rendered him a was often produced under conditions motor motor gathering, motor assembled, means on the road, of the critical ground, bern other's, a poor relation, who, being deserved favorite, had unwillingly deposed with certainly made the article undesir-roads were blockaded by the rioters, but who now, under left a widow with two children almost that he had said "it might be in his power able. The reasons against oleomargarine travellers and children almost that he had said "it might be in his power able. travellers murdered, soldiers defeated, and the influence of a keen and bitter anxiety, destitute, was permitted by Richard to take a great revenge on Farmer were good. If the situation is the same travellers murdered, soldiers defeated, and the influence of a keen and officer anxiety, destruce, was permitted by richard to take a great revenge on Farmer to day, if the dairymen can show that the date public opinion in neutral countries, the magistrates, who had gone out to meet had acquired not only the sallow paleness. Mayne to occupy one end of a small farm- Mayne," or words to that effect; whilst a the magistrates, who had gone out to meet and harangue them, themselves surround-ed and taken by the desperate multitude. ed and taken by the desperate multitude. ing and of thought, the brows contracted that manoral residence which he island physicians or mag-nopinion with them in their effort to con-ibilities lie and are far too enlightened to Now the artisans—the commons, so to Now the artisans—the common artisans—the c Now the artisans—the commons, so to and brought low over the eyes, the gener-inhabited, whilst ne tarmed the land are rar too enightened to favor the designs of Germany by abandon-say, of B.—had risen to join the peasantry, al sharpness of feature and elongation of the supplies required for these purposes. say, or D. -- nad risen to join the peasantry, at sharpness or feature and elongation of his kindness to the widow and her family; his. These two last facts were much re- is only fair to say that such objections ing the defense of human freedom. while they took possession of their houses intellect, a certain mementary elevation, and Mrs. Owen, a delicate and broken lied upon as evincing malice, and implying are now said to be unwarranted. Oleowhile they took possession of their nouses interiest, a certain memericary crevation, and most vacant spirited woman, who had known better a purpose of revenge from the accused margarine as sold to-day is represented to justify in advance in the eyes of the

mayor and corporation included, were would, perhaps, under other circum- little girl her only comfort. He even ricks and farm-buildings might, under the allow the sale of oleomargarine. In Eng-murdered to a man, to say nothingg of stances, have been accounted handsome. restored to her the blessing of her son's spirit of the time (for fires were raging land, where pure food laws are rigidly restored to the time to sale of oleomargarine. The sale of oleomargarine is the time of the murdered to a man, to say nothing of women and children; the market-place unning with blood, and the town-hall women and chloren, the market-place volue and numanity to the volue at the second numanity to the volu

which was much to the taste of our vir- sion made on my mind by one of the wit- kinsman now prought nome to her, and or premises; inquired earnestly whether competent authority will show that the empty and insincere. rrified maid-servants ran shrieking together for machine-breaking. All but future successor of the master of a well- any lives had been lost, and still more article is free from objectionable elements, terrified maid-servants ran shrieking together for machine-breaking. All but future successor of the master of a well-about the house, and every corner of the one of them had employed counsel for endowed grammar-school in the parish, about the house, and every corner of the one of them had employed counsel for endowed grammar-school in the parish, about the house, and every corner of the one of them had employed counsel for endowed grammar-school in the parish, about the house, and every corner of the one of them had employed counsel for endowed grammar-school in the parish, about the house, and every corner of the one of them had employed counsel for endowed grammar-school in the parish, about the house, and every corner of the one of them had employed counsel for endowed grammar-school in the parish, about the house, and every corner of the one of them had employed counsel for endowed grammar-school in the parish, and an finding that she had her confined marking of it, with its proper name, so is control to the parish of the parish is the had her confined marking of it. about the house, and every corner of the one of them had employed counsel for endowed grammar school in the parter, and on finding that she had been confined marking of it, with its proper name, so sectored reparation for violated rights and ment have but one aim—the re-establishture of "a smith swallowing a tailors" news." So passed the short winter's day. With the approach of night came fresh sorrows; the red glow of fires gleaming on the hori-zon, and mounting into the middle sky; the to gliss and the middle sky; the to glass, and mounting into the middle sky; the to glass, and of the engines clattering along from place to place, and effend no odfene, render-motors, and mounting into the middle sky; the to glass, and of the engines clattering along from place to place, and defende, needs an ocumeal, offered no odfene, rendervillage street realized Shakespeare's pic. their defence, and under their direction Farmer Mayne being one or the trustees, and of her bed by fever and delirium, occa-ture of "a smith swallowing a tailor's had called witnesses to character, the and all-powerful with the other function-ture of "a smith swallowing a tailor's had called witnesses to character, the and all-powerful with the other function-ture of "a smith swallowing a tailor's had called witnesses to character, the and all-powerful with the other function-ture of "a smith swallowing a tailor's had called witnesses to character, the and all-powerful with the trust and the then all the trust and the then all the trust and the then all the trust and the tru

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the many pretty letters of condolence and night and day by miserable women, the of the old school, sturdy, boisterous, bold, fence was not bailable; and the only con-"Belgium was invaded by an empire fellow-feeling which I received from wives, mothers, or daughters of the cul- and kind, always generous, and generally solation left for the friends of the unhappy Farley and his pretty wife are at this which had guaranteed her neutrality and which had the assurance to proclaim that thing, who most evidently felt nothing; fortunate relatives. The danger was stinate by fits, and sometimes purse- trial would speedily come on, and their couples in his Majesty's dominions. treaties were 'scraps of paper,' and that but the smile was a melancholy one, - for fairly over, and pity had succeeded to proud, -- after the fashion of men who internal conviction that an acquittal was Mary Russell Mitford. (Born 1787; died necessity knows no law.' "At the present moment these shan have made money by their own industry certain.

feign, or suspecting that I was feigning, I Then, above all, came the special com- and shrewdness. He had married late in As the time wore on, however, their mission : the judges in threefold dignity ; life, and above him in station, and had confidence diminished. The evidence

offers on the part of Germany rest on OLEOMARGARINE the 'war map' of Europe alone, which represents nothing more than a super

The widespread demand for the ficial and passing phase of the situation abolition of the long standing prohibition and not the real strength of the beliger visits of bustling parish officers, bristling feeling which pervaded the government, fond as his greyhound Mayfly, and for ing, by a lad in the employ of Farmer of the importation, manufacture or sale ents. A peace the aggressors who, after with importance (for our village, though the course, and the court. My father, a pretty much the same reason,-that both Mayne, who had gone thither for hay to of oleomargarine-a demand created by imagining that they would reach their in the centre of the insurgents, continued very old magistrate, being chairman of were beautiful and gentle, and both ad- fodder his cattle, about an hour before the the very high price of butter-has not goal in two months discovered after two in the centre of the insurgents, continued very old magistrate, being chairman of were beauting and genue, and both au forder instanted, and both au nour before the unnaturally led some of the dairymen of years that they could never attain it. " As for the future the disasters caused

had mentioned to James White, another any such change. It is probable that the by the German declaration of war and the quite a railying-point for loyal men and true); the swearing in of whole regiments of petty constables; the stationary watchrefused four offers. men, who every hour, to prove their vigil- stirring time than usually falls to the lot cultivated woman, the daughter of an un- great rick. Farmer Mayne himself had price, for butter. In such circumstances, ents and neutrals demand penalities, men, who every hour, to prove their vigit-ance, sent in some poor wretch, beggar or of women, and took a deep interest in beneficed clergyman, had communicated, met him at half past ten (as he was re-in a world not yet entirely free from self-reparation and guarantees. Germany match-seller, or rambling child, under the denomination of suspicious persons; the mount does a deep interest in the match and the proceedings which had in them a thrilling excitement, as far beyond acted tragedy taste to her daughter. It is true, that ing from the rick-yard towards the village. ishness, it would be too much to expect avoids mention of any of these.

"In reality these overtures made by the duction of butter would readily assent to Central Powers are nothing more than most young ladies, even of her own and had observed him throw something station, would have looked with great he held in his hand into the ditch. Hum. the abolition of the advantage which the a calculated attempt to influence the powers, of whom Germany was one, Bel- tion, manufacture, or sales of intoxicating which ought to have been consolatory, was about the most alarming of all alarming sounds; the soldiers, transported from place to place in carts the better to catch place to place in carts the better to catch over tier to the very ceiling of the lofty in the phrase of the dirth in-the rogues, whose local knowledge gave hall; the rare and striking importance but then she read Shakespeare and Milton, the manufacturing, or them great advantage in a dispersal; the which that silence and the awfulness of and the poets and prose-writers of the dicated by Farmer Mayne, which Thomas themselves in opposition to any movement them great advantage in a dispersal; the grave processions of magistrates and gentlemen on horseback; and above all, ception and reason of their seatily very house owen step, iterating term a reason for opposing the admission of firmness and has denounced the empty government thinks it necessary to define the ban. the nightly collecting of arms and armed hastily slurred over and slightly attended uncommon in a camsel uncer twenty; to nis loager in the early part of the even-men within our own dwelling, kept up a to; the unusual seriousness of the counsel; and when her father boasted of his Lucy ing. A silver pencil, given to Owen by article is unwholesome. If the dairymen powers.

will rest their case on that ground and ing public opinion in Germany and in the discovered; and, to crown all, the curate contention, they will have a strong upon their inhabitants.

"They endeavor to deceive and intimi-international obligations.

"Finally, these overtures attempt to and property, and only detaining the mayor and aldermen as hostages. Now that illustrious town held loyal, but was besieged. Now the mob had carried the place; and artisans, constables, trades-pople, soldiers, and magistrates, the power of an artigened (for they place), soldiers, and magistrates, the power of an artigened (for they place), soldiers, and magistrates, the power of an artigened (for they place), soldiers, and magistrates, the power of an artigened (for they place) is the only comfort. He even the provention of the proceedings for the proceedings of the proc

moment, but equally conscious of its "At this very moment, while Germany

"Once again the Allies declare that no nothing but to live in harmony with her "Why do not tas leave bill cock

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TOTAL PROHIBITION " In conclusion, the Allied powers think IN NEWFOUNDLAND t necessary to put forward the following considerations, which show the specia

St. John's, Nfld., Jan. 1.-At midnight situation of Belgium, after two and a half years of war. In virtue of the internation- Newfounland went dry. A prohibiton al treaties signed by five great European act becoming effective, stops the importa-But that public opinion, has, in spite of all ficts. She was, however, in spite of these sacramentai purposes, and in order to ficts.

to pursue while fighting side by side with having pettitioned the legislature not to "They have the further object of stiffen- tho Entente Powers for right and justice. put upon it the obligation of carrying "B-lgium has always scrupulously ful- stocks of liquor and dispensing the same countries allied to her-one and all filled the duties which her neutrality im- on the prescreption of doctors, the govseverely tried by their losses, worn out by posed upon her. She has taken up arms to defend her independence and her public controller through whom medicinal supreme effort which has been imposed neutrality violated by Germany, and to prescriptions will be filled and supplies show that she remains faithful to her obtianed for manufacturing, while provision is made whereby the various church

"On the fourth of August, 1914, in the es can have there own agencies for imof Germany to repair it. During two and In St. John's fifty saloons go out of a half years this injustice has been cruel- business.

SMART SCIENTIST

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The scientist had given a very scientific lecture, and at the end he said, beam innumerable massacres, executions and ing down on his audience condescend

"Now, if there is any scientific question that any of my friends would like to ask.

"Why do wet tea leaves kill cockroach es?"