MEMORY'S HALO.

when heart is weary with strife distence in this world below,

erhaps a gentle touch of lips so sweet
Will drive the burden from my soul away,
and render life again fondly complete,
And brighten up the sorrow of the day.

John Renton's fortune, and neither my girls, and brighten up the sorrow of the day.

Lightly the chades will rest upon my heart, when memitives noted of say gone by.

With all their guidleness and joy impart.

A glory like some halo from the saly.

Latham Hall, a stately, old, red bries mansion, with its long, double avenue on lindens, and its five hundred scress of fertile warm lying land, is one of the first properties within five miles of the little Sansex, village of St. Walberg-on-the Hill. Its owner had been a nace one everywhere; the warm lying land, is one of the first properties within five miles of the little Sansex, village of St. Walberg-on-the little sanse has non-resident for nearly ten years, at the time that this story opens. He was a gay bachelor squire, who preferred to receive his rents through an agent's hand, and to sty quietly at the hell, as his father than to stay quietly at the hell, as his father than to stay quietly at the hell, as his father than to stay quietly at the hell, as his father than to stay quietly at the hell, as his father than to stay quietly at the hell, as his father than to stay quietly at the hell, as his father than to stay quietly at the hell, as how the seed have not prepared because and the control of the surface of the surfac

war of Squire Latham's absence, a young man of twenty stood before the tall iron gates of the hall, looking in through the checkered light and shadow of the linden trees.

John Renton had been born under an unlucky star. He was an orphan, to begin with, the one child of a sickly mother and a disbeartened father, whose life had been one long struggle to make both ends meet. When they tired of the effort, they left their light to the sare of singular reserved meaning, and plants of the trust of your shyness, in the girl, seeing it, called to him in a sweet, clear coice:

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When they tired of the effort, they left their infant to the care of his uncle, a moody, unsocial bachelor, who had been jilted in carly life, and who had turned his back upon the whole world is consequence. John Renton made ready for his in his ears, John Renton made ready for his journey on the following morning. He said ing to the [Latham estate, in a dilapidated house lying in a hollow between two hills, with an orchard early life, and who had turned his back upon the whole world is consequence. John Renton made ready for his journey on the following morning. He said ing to the [Latham estate, in a dilapidated house lying in a hollow between two hills, with an orchard early life, and who had turned his back upon the world in consequence. John Renton made ready for his journey on the following morning. He said ing to the [Latham estate, in a dilapidated house lying in a hollow between two hills, with an of ollowed the girl to the barn, where a gare, but I will not accept wages. When the followed the girl to the barn, where a dillegal to a lower the subject of the daughter, he for any wages that you choose to give.'

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Under the guidance of the daughter, he fort any wages that you choose to give.'

So it was settled, if I ing to the Latham estate, in a dilapidated house lying in a hollow between two hills, with an orehard and a plantation between it and the road, and no other habitation in sight. John Renton, junior, grew up from boyhood in that secluded home. His uncle would not send him to school, but became his uttor, in the intervals of labor. At twelve years of age, the lad was far in advance of the grammar school students in the village. But he saw no one except his uncle, Cranmer Haydon, the farm laborer, and Betty.

Lawrer Curtis says that everyone will respect me if I come back with a fortune. It was shy and bashful to a painful degree. His naturally fine figure was spoiled by the drooping carriage of his head and shoulders; and his open, handsome face, and frank, blue eyes, lost their courageous look at the last time, upon the farm, and the of the last time, upon the farm, and then all will have a who found a broken arm and leg awaiting his professional care, and set them, with John's help.

When the hurry and bustle was all over; the came to the invented by pain, had sunk into a slum, better produced by a strong opiate, John had sunk as the farm laborer, and Betty.

Latham.

Lawrer Curtis says that everyone will respect me if I come back with a fortune. It would take one to buy that place, and I cannot grow rich in one year. But no one from the pasture, and were should be my mark. Four years of steady work out in the world, or on the old farm.

At their end I will stand here, at my own in farm horse, without saddle or bridle, rode mile to the nearest village for a doctor, was religioned and strong once more—the land with for the nearest village for a doctor.

When the hurry and bustle was all over; the farm hurry and bustle was all over; the hurry and bustle was all over; the f

sensitive face, had marked him out as fair game for the youths of the grammar school. Why well-born, well-bred, well-taught boys, who are also well-behaved so long as they remain at home, beneath their mother's care, need invariably develop a spirit of fiendish cruelty as soon as they reach school, is one of the many mysterieous world. John Renton, from those early experiences of the refinement of torture, which only boys can invent and inflict, looked upon the grammar school lads as so many fiends; and when he went back. broken-hearted, to his uncle, he was assured by him that they were nothing else. Henceforth the two were agreed in one thing. The shabby old farm house, standing on the bor. der of its ancient fish pond, with the two mansion, deserted by its lawful owner.

and demerits, which is even more insulting the including of lawyer Curtis kept coming than an open sneer. When they returned the words of lawyer Curtis kept coming than an open sneer. When they returned from the grave; when, in the shabby particle of such a man.

'Grace!'

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than an open sneer. You the day of street and the sake of the will was read, which left the farm in the care of Crammer Hapfon, and all things in absyance, during the space of one year, unless some extraor, which year was to be spent by John Renton at a distance, and in or near any town that he might select, provided that in this place he could support himself by the labor of his own hands, the young man, casting a fustive glance around the room, awa was mile resting on many a lip.

Not much of a fortune, Mr. John, "add the lawyer, folding up the will and looking curiously at him. "Fifty pounds for the year lefth in my hands for you do will have a same of a bacopit need, however. Your uncle's thea was, at the lawyer, folding up the last, that he had one wrong in keeping you shut up here. He thought it would make you stronger, and more self-reliant, to send you from home for a time. On your one-and-went that the himself is the search of the complete the third will be the the third will be the search of the well and looking." If I was not of this last trace of morbid thought. Nothing mocked him now, at sill events, and the saw, finally cleared John Renton's him of this last trace of morbid thought. Nothing mocked him now, at sill events, and the saw, finally cleared John Renton's him of this last trace of morbid thought. Nothing mocked him now, at sill events, and the saw, finally cleared John Renton's him of this last trace of morbid thought. Nothing mocked him now, at sill events, and the saw, finally cleared John Renton's heart will soon be ready. There was a delicious freed on the finally ready to the complete will be said. All this time you have been added to you, and no one has careful to the working for us, and no one has careful to the work

old ancestral seat.

On a lovely autumn morning, in the tenth year of Squire Latham's absence, a young man of twenty stood before the tall iron gates of the hall, looking in through the checkered light and about the content of the

beyond, was quite in keeping with the fervor, and solemnity of a recorded oath, tumble-down outbuildings, and the lonely

enough, at such a time, to ridicule him to world and keep his vow.

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And yet she has to farmer's daughter!'

Grace!'

from the grave; when, in the shabby par-lor the will was read, which left the farm in He must know that no one can make a

ments of his wayside meal. Among meals and the lease of the farm.

The poor John Renton! Only curious or amused glances rested upon him that dreary dismal afternoon. One by one the funeral great to look upon the unknown human beings by whom he was surrounded, with some took him by the hand, or wished him God-speed on the trial year's journey, which, on the morrow, was to begin. As he stood in the stable yard, with the lawyer, who was mounting his horse, two of the nano behind the hawthorne hedge, without the old, miserable shapes; above all, when he saw that he hand be hand the hawthorne hedge, without the old, miserable shapes; above all, when he has worth the lawyer, and with the unhappy in the world, Richard, said one; in the world away.

In the world, Richard, said one; in the world away:

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I will you trust them to me? aked John.

I was born and brought upon a farm.

The surface of the sacket will we should be sent you here, he welfare of its old

atlonce if any human being drew near.

The boy had good reason for this shyness. On the few occasions when he had accompanied Cranmer Haydon to the village, with farm produce, his shrinking manner, and sensitive face, had marked him out as fair game for the vouts of the grammar school.

Werk out in the world, or on the old farm. At their end I will stand here, at my own gates, the Squire of Renton Hall.

In his enthusiastic musing, the unlucky was tender toward all dumb animals. He had loved the work horses in their stalls at insolent laughtedpanswered him. He turned, flushing crimson, to see Percy Richards and doved the work horses in their stalls at long, and of hum,—and collage rose once in his stall.

John, like every kind, true hearted man, was tender toward all dumb animals. He had loved the work horses in their stalls at long, and of hum,—and of hum,—

he took the place of humilated shyness for the aspire.

But now, as he stood on the porch, with uncle's will, what will you say to me then?'
Came back, John, murmured Grace, der of its ancient fish pond, with the two poplars shading its steep, roof, and the or
If I live, I will yet be master of you, and the familiar farm business waiting that sparkled on him through the mist of populars shading its steep; roof, and the orthat and plantation shutting out the world of them, he said, with all the passion, and
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to her father's assistance, came to seek
In one way he had kept his vow. He

chard and plantation shuting out the world beyond, was quite in keeping with the tumble-down outbuildings, and the lonely secluded farm; but it suited its melancholy owner better than a palace would have done; and, after his experience of the amenities of the collegiate youth, it also suited the boy.

He lived there contentedly until, in his twentieth year, his uncle John died suddenly. Neighbors came, then, to bury the dead, and John was unwillingly forced_to meet them. No one, of course, was brutal enough, at such a time, to ridicule him to his face. But one great curse of a too sen.

The two collegians had gone gaily on to the village to relate their joke against John the village to relate their joke against John the village to relate their joke against John Renton.

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When John Renton was beyond the

matical smile.
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