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GENERAL BUSINESS

Two Lovers at Once.

BY HELEN FORREST GRAVES. 'Two lovers at once !' said Aunt I thought-I made sure she wasn't Bridget, elevating her wrinkled old hands in despair.

"I can't help it, aunt," said Della Fielding. "Why, I never heard of such a

thing in my life !" said Aunt Bridget. "It does happen sometimes, aunt," said the dimpled little beauty, giving tongue her whole attention to the arrangement of a bouquet of geranium leaves at her eye !" she thought to herself. "If she

"And are you engaged to both of "em at the same time ?" said Aunt baugh, catching at his companion's Bridget.

"Well," acknowledged Della, after a moment or two of grave consideration, know it is dangerous to stir any nearer "I don't think I'm quite engaged to to those flying sparks ?" wither of them !"

"Adela," said Aunt Bridget, severely, " what do you think is going to become of you ?"

"I don't know, aunty," said Della. when she is in peril ?" "I suppose I shall be married some day.'

"I do hope you will," said the old no human effort can rescue her !" Jady, with energy, "I think the care pleaded Brookstanbaugh. of you for another five years would kill me. Only think of it-two gentlemen the attempt " said Silverpen, as he on the house at once, and both of 'em rushed forward. In love with you !"

"It makes it lively, Aunt Bridget," stanbaugh in an angry voice. said Della, with a sparkle of mischief 5n the blue deeps under her eyelashes. "Now don't scold, there's an old dar- dd the apple orchard from the garden, ling, and I'll go out and gather some strawberries for tea !"

Aunt Bridget gazed, with a sort of mild frenzy, after the light figure in the him blue cambric dress, with the cloud of golden curls flying behind, as Della Fielding. "It is as Mr. Brookstannuttered out into the garden with a glass dish in her hand, and a blue-ribrisking your life." boned gipsy-hat tied down over her

head. "Girls ain't what they used to be

"Della !" he cried.

when I was young !" ejaculated the good old lady. "Why, bless my heart! the first beau I had, I remember I was half-frightened out of my senses, and have died there, also !" ushamed so much as to look anybody in the face. And here is Della, with two at a time, and considerin' 'em over just us ?" as if they were samples of calico or rolls of ribbon. I don't see, for my part, how she can reconcile it to her

While Della, stooping down among the nearest farm-house, Aunt Bridget the strawberry hills, with the moving having already set forth with Mary, green screen above her head, was also inebriated cook, stood stupidly under thinking on the same subject.

"I suppose I ought to decide some time or other, thought Della, as she paused to eat a particularly red straw-"But, oh, dear me, how is a but the accommodations were not exerry. girl to know? Major Silverpen does tensive, and Della and Aunt Bridget CELEBRATED VICTOR HUGO COLLARS, love me dearly-at least, he says so. were quartered together in a little room, But there is Mr. Brookstanbaugh de- all curtained with white, which smelled

which made her look like Harlequin Law. ready for the stage. "Where is my little Della ? I looked in her room, and JNO. J. HARRINGTON. there. But 1 can't see her anywhere, ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, and she must be in her room. Oh. NOTARY PUBLIC, &c Della ! Della !" OFFICE, UP-STAIRS, McLACHLAN'S BUILDING Della heard every word from her re-Water St. Chatham. treat, but she thought of the cambric NOTICE. dressing-gown and the little feet thrust into ill-fitting slippers, and she held her The subscriber will open up in a few days a very excellent line of English Scotch and Canadian Tweeds suitable for spring and summer wear. Also a beautiful and choice lot of English Coating, personally selected in Montreal. N. B.-These goods will admit of my making suits 10 per cent less than heretofore. " If I could but catch Aunt Bridget's would only look this way !" "Silverpen !" cried Mr. Brookstan-

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baugh !" cried Major Silverpen, in ac-E. P. Williston, cents of concentrated wrath and scorn-"Dangerous! Who talks of danger ATTORNEY-AT-LAW, Notary Public, Conveyancer, &c., "But do listen to reason, man ! If OFFICE-Over Mr. John Brandon's Store ; Entranc she really is inside that burning shell,

Newcastle, Miramichi, N. B. R. B. ADAMS, "I will rescue her, or I will perish in ATTORNEY-AT-LAW.

"You are mad !" exclaimed Brook-Office up stairs, Noonan's Building, Water Street. Chatham But before Major Silverpen could

WM. A. PARK, spring over the rustic stile which divida slim figure, all in white, with a golden Attorney-at-Law, Solicitor, tangle of hair down its back, darted from the lilac thickets and confronted

"Stop, Major Silverpen !" said Della OFFICE :-- OVER THE STORE OF W. PARK, Esq CASTLE STREET baugh says -- there is no necessity for

N'EWOASTLE, N.B THEOPS. S. DESBRISAY, He stood before her, pale, shocked,

convulsed with the throes of a mighty ATTORNEY AT LAW, agony. "If you had died in the flames, CONVEYANCER, &c., &c

Della," he said, hoarsely, "I would BATHURST, N. B. "Oh, child, child !" cried Aunt AW BLANKS Bridget, " what a fright you have given

At the MIRAMICHI BOOKSTORE. But Mr. Brookstanbaugh stood, look.

ing rather embarrassed, in the back, ground, while Miss Fielding accepted HARNES the arm of her other suitor to walk to Having commenced busined CORY, I am prepared to m the chambemaid, while Honora, the

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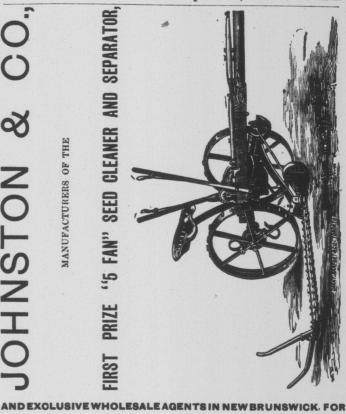
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