BEFORE THE GATE.

They gave the whole long day to idle laughter, To fitful song and jest, To moods of soberness as idle, after, And silence, as idle, too, as the rest.

But when at last upon their way returning, Taciturn, late and loath.

Through the broad meadow burning, They reached the gate, one fine spell hin-

dered them both. Her heart was troubled with a subtle anguish Such as but women know, That wait, and lest love speak or speak not,

And what they would, would rather they would not so;

Till he said - manlike nothing comprehend-

ing
Of all the wonderous guile

bending Eyes ot relentless asking on her all the while --

"Ah, if beyond this gate the path united Our steps as far as death. And I might open it "- His voice affrighted At its own daring, faltered under his breath.

Then she - whom both his fate and fear en-For beyond words to tell,

Feeling her woman's finest wit had wanted The art he had that knew to blunder

Shyly drew near a little step, and mocking, 'Shall we not be too late For tea?" she said. "I'm quite worn with walking;

Yes, thanks, your arm. And will you open the gate?"

SELECT STORY.

A SUMMER IDYL.

BY AGNES GIFFORD.

Gwendoline met her aunt, Mrs. drove her up in her own phaeton.

fields on either hand.

said Gwendoline, flecking a fly off Jerry's shinning coat with her whip. 'Ah! That is pleasant for you.'

'Pleasant!' cried the younger lady, with a note of petulance in her voice. 'I don't think so. It's a bore.'

settled in moody lines. She looked field. like her mother. She had not taken after her father, who was a blonde. But her father's youngest sister, the little widow was very like him. Mrs. Newcombe had a charming fairness formality. and liquid eyes. She never looked

she inquired.

movement with her whip. 'Oh, I suppose so. He's rich, if

doline a moment later.

to please, Gwen.'

'Oh, I don't know. I might like she scarcely looked older than Gwen- package, then? Yours, GWEN.

stop annoying me. 'Annoying you?' 'Oh, hanging around.'

the cottage as they drove up. She followed her sister-in-law to her room. 'I'm awfully glad you have come, Phœbe. It will be a boon to Gwendo- understands my play.' line to have you. I wish you would

'What did she say?' 'She said he bored her.'

her. He's a very affectionate fellow, undisguisedly brown by exposure to and he's been desperately blue since the sun and air. the death of his mother, to whom he Probably Mr. Warfield will drop in a good game of whist, and the latter, this evening. I asked him. At din- that he, with his partner's help, should averted lid with the handkerchief more than germs. Possibly this may be in part ner Mrs. Newcombe was in gray again, be making so good a showing. the most delicate, pearly gray, against

his young sister to his daughter.

her hand through her aunt's arm.

'Who?' 'Edgar Warfield.'

quiet mourning clothes, approached by be softened a little — just a little —

mality of introduction had been fol- Ventnors say that she had married and the young man, she wandered been a great deal older than herself. severe cases.

away with one of her sweet, indulgent He had died, leaving her very little miles and re-entered the house.

property, and she had never loved him. 'She's a dear little thing - my It was hard, Edgar Warfield's manly aunt,' said Miss Gwendoline abruptly, and chivalrous heart felt, with a glow, following the little gray figure with her that so kindly, so dear and sweet a brilliant eyes. 'Don't you think she's little woman should have had to bear anything sad in her life.

The next day Gwendoline had a

'And she is going, my dear?' cried

poor Mrs. Ventnor, in dismay, to

Phœbe Newcombe. 'Nothing I can

'Dear Gwen, what of Mr. War-

field?' asked the little widow of her

both heads straightened suddenly.

Gwendoline disengaged herself.

eagerness stumbled and grew lame.

'MY DEAR AUNT PHEBE - When

dearest Gwendoline, we are engaged.'

A CINDER IN THE EYE.

'Do you?'

Two weeks later.

'How shall we get on without my

'We shall miss you.'

heard either question.

to make her a visit of some weeks.

say will keep her.'

claimed the young lady.

'I don't know. You can't expect one to know,' said Mr. Warfield with letter from a friend bidding her come

'I wish,' Miss Ventnor explained, knitting her fine brows, 'that you would not say such ridicilous things!' 'Do you call them ridiculous?' asked the young man with a shade of pallor on his cheek.

'Yes,' curtly. The young man looked down and

'You are awfully hard on a fellow." he said in a moment without looking

'Well, there is one thing,' cried the soon to draw to a close. young lady, 'you can stsnd it. All

Her father's voice was calling her if he has not decided long ago to disfrom the house. Mr. Ventnor wanted continue his attentions to you you may some music. Gwendoline must sing thank Phoebe for it, I think she tried

ing,' he threatened jocosely.

'I'm not likely to shirk,' announced pect you, quite on this train, you know, the young lady below her breath as as they started for a little walk-Phoebe she bent over the piano near which and Mr. Warfield. Aren't they coming Mrs. Newcombe sat. 'I'm too much up now?' relieved to be freed from our visitor

'Ah, my dear, you're a cruel girl. You're breaking that poor fellow's very slowly moving up the path, her heart," murmured that little widow. 'Not at all likely,' responded Miss Edgar Warfield, with his head drooped,

Ventnor preluding brilliantly. Mrs. Newcombe had retreated to the embrasure of a window. Mr. Ventnor had ensconced himself in an arm-chair, and Mrs. Ventnor sat, mur-

muring in undertones to one or two Newcombe, at the little station and neighborly neighbors of her own age. Mrs. Newcombe made a little kindly her aunt later in the day. 'Is any one here?' asked Mrs. sign to Edgar Warfield, who stood Newcombe as they rolled along the vaguely near her, and he dropped, hard white road between low green with instant gratitude, into a chair by about her niece's aru. the window. There was in this pretty 'I mean any one nice,' specified woman's soft eyes a look of under-Mrs. Newcombe with her soft little standing the situation and an intimation of friendliness toward him

'Warfield is here - Edgar Warfield,' which moved the young man deeply. Gwendoline sang song after song, in Ventnor to the young man within a her full, rich voice, and Mrs. New- few days. I begin to think she was listening with smiling attention.

'I know no one's voice that charms me as does Gwendoline's,' she said, in cheek. Miss Ventnor's dark handsome face a little pause, turning to Edgar War-

He felt his heart warming to Miss on my mind of late. In fact, I think Ventnor's young aunt. 'Miss Ventnor's voice is wonderfully brilliant,' he said, with a lover's

'Yes, but it is not the brilliancy

alone. That is a secondary matter, Gwendoline made another brusque too. But it is like herself. The feel- to ask you-to tell you-to do is very, ing is not flaunted on the surface.'

Miss Ventnor laughed. 'That ought | fingers. His heart beat quickly. What I think that in this case the fearlessness | digesting them, in spite of their wrighow quaintly, delicately pretty she was. accompanying ring was given me-'He is good looking. You are hard old-fashioned name suited this exquisite not know his address just now. Perhaps rotifer, and are, therefore, of great little person, somehow. In this light | you do. Will you re-address the little

him well enough as a friend if he would doline. But of course she must be. When the singing was over Mr. raid there has been some great mistake. Ventnor proposed cards. Mrs. Vent- That is, I fear-I don't know how to nor rapidly assorted couples, but say it-but, perhaps he-I mean Edgar Mrs. Ventnor was on the piazza of Gwendoline, with a rapid counter- -forgot about the ring. The truth is

manœuvre, headed her off. 'I can only play with papa,' she asserted with decision. 'No one else

'Then will Mr. Warfield play with is trifling with an excellent chance of her charming glance and smile the a cloud of cinders from the locomotive - a there is no escape. grateful young man again read a full 'Do you mean Mr. Warfield?' appreciation of the bearings of his possible that, by remaining quiet a while, it asked Mrs. Newcombe, removing her case and an intention to befriend him, may be dissolved by the tears, and vanish; or dainty close traveling hat and long to help him on. Gwendoline, even we may promote the flow of tears by attemptgauze veil before the toilet table. with her father's vaunted understand- ing to open the eye now and then, and cause 'Gwendoline has been telling me ing of her play, made a number of blunders in her characteristically reck- edge of the upper lid, drawing it away from less fashion and talked a good deal in the eyeball, and at the same time blowing brusque, crisp phrases, throwing down the nose smartly, or we may pull the upper 'Nonsense! He's only too fond of her cards with her large, shapely hand,

But Mrs. Newcombe's little white was devoted. He looks for sympathy paw, which crept out, with a glisten of turning over the upper lid and wiping off the able to the activity of the infectious from Gwendoline, and he does not get rings upon it, as gently as kitten's, only it. Silly girl that she is! You're played its cards to make tricks, and looking very well, Phœbe. Gray is so Edward Warfield, who was a methodibecoming to you. Now, Gwendoline cal and conscientious young man, was with the thumb and forefinger of the other can't wear gray at all. Vivid, rich vaguely grieved and gratified; the hand, seize the upper lid firmly by its eyecolors suit her style. Well, I will former that the charming Gwendoline lashes and free edge, and direct the person to It thus appears that hunger in some leave you to dress. We dine at 6.30. should be so carelessly indifferent to

On his way home that evening he offending substance, which possibly may be so hungry there is no gastric juice in the which her throat and face looked fair said to himself that he hoped Gwensmall as to be almost invisible: then remove it with the finger or point of the pencil, with as a sea shell. Gwendoline, who was doline's aunt would remain with her the handkerchief turned over the end. The dressed in transparent black, had a some time. She might have an inbunch of red geraniums at her breast. fluence. He had fallen in love with middle of the upper lid, not far from the as the result of hunger, lessens the 'You make a pretty contrast,' Mr. Ventnor's beautiful daughter be- edge. In case the foreign body sticks on the resistance of the cells of the body in smiled Mr. Ventnor, glancing from cause of that Diana-like independence ball of the eye in front of the pupil, it may be wiped off with a bit of paper twisted to a which seemed to ask nothing of man, When they rose from table, where that brilliant, virgininal unconscious- (say the free end of a common friction match). they had lingered, Gwendoline passed ness, that air of never having bowed If, however, it does not come off easily, surgiher stately young head to sacrifice or cal aid must be sought as great harm may be 'There! I knew he would appear to sentiment, which sat upon her with before the day was over,' Miss Vent- so bright a radiance. But now he asked himself, with a sigh, whether the more conventional feminine charms and virtue did not make a girl more And Mrs. Newcombe saw the young | convenient and comfortable to get on man's slight, well-built figure, in its with. Perhaps if Gwendoline could

the carriage-way that spanned the by the contagion of her young aunt's who sleeps. Therefore while the sleeper delightful manner, it might be an ad-'You can't run away now, Gwen,' ded attraction to the proud young the sleeper which carries the sleeper jumps she said softly. 'It isn't decent. Be beauty. How very womanly Mrs. the sleeper and wakes the sleeper in the civil to the poor fellow, at least.' Newcombe's manner was. And she sleeper by striking the sleeper on the sleeper She disengaged herself gently from looked so girlish, too. He remem- and there is no longer any sleeper sleeping in form, which often bleed and ulcerate, beher niece's clasp. And after the for- bered now that he had heard the the sleeper on the sleeper.

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"NEWS."

The word "news" was not, as many ago it was customary to put at the head of the periodical publications of the day the initial letters of the com-

Signifying that the matter contained 'I imagine Mr. Warfield is able to therein was from the four quarters of raced a pattern on the gravel with the take care of himself, is he not?' ex- the globe. From those letters came

She left on the morrow and she was This is so neat that it is a pity it is gone three weeks. On her return she wholly imaginary. It originates with learned that her young aunt's visit was an excellent weekly contemporary and is enjoying a large run in daily journals. 'Mr. Warfield has been here a great The prosaic truth is that the "news' deal,' the girl's mother told her, 'and is a substantive formed of the adjective "new," which is literally now. News, therefore, is simply that which is now

News was spelled originally "newes," to make him see that you would listen which quite dispose of its adaptation 'Come, Miss, I'll tolerate no shirk- to reason some day. He was here to the four points of the compass. In again this morning. We did not exmiddle English it was also pronounced in two syllables. It is the French nouvelles, the Latin novus, the sound of the v being that of our w. It has closely related kin in all modern lan-Mrs. Ventnor was near sighted, but guages, running back to the Greek her daughter was not. The latter and Sanskrit, which is nu, our English

glanced out of the window and saw, now. "News" and "novels" were at one time the same thing. In the aunt, with her pretty head drooped, and seventeenth century Adams, author of the "Devil's Banquet," says: "Every too. As they came in view of the house novelist with a whiraligig in his brain must broach new opinions." The 'Is it they?' repeated Mrs. Ventnor. identity of new and now is a remarkable illustration of the uninterrupted

But Gwendoline had, apparently, not or thoepic and orthographic chain oc-'And so you are going away—to casionally discernible in language. leave us?' inquired the young lady of Now used to be spelled "nou," and was pronounced precisely like the 'Yes, unfortunately, dearest-to-Sanskrit nu, which it in fact is. Jourmorrow,' and Mrs. Newcombe passed nalism, therefore, is the historical science of now as distinguished from the historical science of then.

At least that is what it ought to be and what it is in a well conducted

little aunt. Mr. Warfield?' said Miss TWO STOMACHS TO EACH. combe sat gently agitating her fan and the sole attraction for you in our house. tory society Dr. Thomas S. Stevens send You have deserted us since she left.' A color came into the young man's bers by an illustrative paper on a rotifer

entertained and instructed the mem-'Why, not at all! I-I the rarest in the group. It was first cures Diarrhea, regulates the Stomach and assure you. I have had certain things discovered by a Russian microscopist, next found twice in Philadelphia, once the taste. The prescription of one of the of going up to town to-morrow.' His in Illinois and some years ago in Trenton. It has not been discovered here.

The creature is unique in several particulars that would be of but little interest to the general reader, but which Mr. Warfield left for town he said, upon fill with inexpressible joy the heart of 'Isn't he thought a good parti?' though it is the most obvious, perhaps. me questioning him, that he thought the devoted misroscopist, who is happy Gwendoline's voice is full of feeling he might see you. What I am going when he is prying into the little brain

very delicate. I wonder if ever a girl Edgar Warfield felt as though his was placed in such a predicament be- the human beast in having two stomthat's what you mean. And he has no wound was being touched by the fore. But you know that I am nothing achs, which it can fill with other aniincumberance. No mother or sisters.' gentlest, most healing of sympathetic if not fearless and independent. And mals and apparently enjoy itself by to be a recommendation. A fellow's a charming, speaking voice this young will not be construed as boldness. It gling. But in connection with one of family is dreadfully tiresome—an awful aunt of Gwendoline's had, too. And used to be admired. Briefly, the the animal's stomachs a discovery has A dog-cart, with a powerful horse Her color had the charming daintiness, pressed upon me—weeks ago by a before been made in any part of the harnessed to it, appeared ahead of her face the facinating demureness of person whom I need not mention. He world; otherwise it would not be a them. As the gentleman who was a young Quakeress. Or was it the soft, begged that whenever I could think discovery. This pouch is internally driving it came abreast of the phaeton gray dress with the line of dazling neck well of what he urged upon me the day lined with a dense and woolly coating showing above draperies of foamy lace, I tried this ring on my finger (in jest) of vibrating hairs. These strange 'That's Edgar Warfield,' said Gwen- that made her look so? Miss Ventnor I would send that ring to him. Noth- internal appendages appear to be un called her 'Aunt Phœbe.' The funny, ing more. He will understand. I do known in any other than the Trenton

Another pleasing point - pleasing both to the animal and to the micros-'MY DEAR GWENDOLINE-I am afcopist - is that the rotifier has no means of seeking its food nor of creating currents in the water that shall bring food to its double stomach. It can only rest on a small leaf or other object, hold its mouth widely open and wait for Providence to fill i by means of some wandering animal that shall blunder into the trap and be talk sensibly to her, by the way. She me?' said Mrs. Newcombe. And in through the open windows of the car pours in done for, because once in those jaws

sal. Having caught a cinder in the eye, it is SICKNESS AND STARVATION. There is a popular notion to the effect that a person is more likely to take a contagious disease when the the cinder to be carried off by them, We stomach is empty. Although this fact may also help the flow of tears by seizing the seems to be well established by experience, nevertheless it has never been established as a scientific fact until relid down over the edge of the lower, and, cently. Experiments which have lately been made upon pigeons, by two Italian physicians, demonstrate beyond any reasonable doubt that hunger is favorelement, whatever it may be. Pigeons companion. Take a pencil-case for a ful that have been starved were found to cruni; place it parallel with the edge of the be very susceptible to the contagion of upper lid, about half an inch above it; then. anthrax, although when well fed, they were not at all subject to this disease. look down, and, the moment the eyeball rolls way lessens the ability of the body to downward, turn the lid quickly over the pendefend itself from the attack of disease cil. Do not wipe the delicate surface of the is necessary. First find the situation of the due to the fact that when a person is stomach, so that the protecting influence THE COREANS' HAIR. The Corean wears his hair braided

> After he gets married, and not before the law permits him to wear, it curled

PILES! PILES! ITCHING PILES.

down his back, it being considered undone to the transparent point of the eye by holy to cut it, or to even wear it

up on top of his head. To tell a married Corean that he ought to wear The singular and various senses of words in his hair down is equivalent to telling the English language are seen in the following him that his wife is the better man of words and their meanings. A sleeper is one sleeps in the sleeper the sleeper carries the sleeper over the sleeper under the sleeper until

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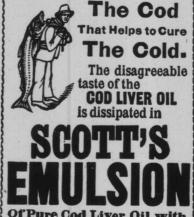
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