Daniel Holman was planting peas in a pension; and here you've grubbed steadily on:

his garden. A fine large village and toiled all your life, and I've slav
"Lately we've had it hot and heavy. He's argued it didn't matter heavy. He's argued it didn't matter around him; birds flitted through man. down as he drew the moist earth mortgage; and our home-" over it with his hoe. There was a There was no need to speak furthfaith of the harvest.

house:

"Daniel! Daniel Holman! right here!" 'Yes, mother."

wistfully back in the direction of the lines. She had on her best black cashmere dress and her bonnet and was drawing on a pair of longwristed black taffeta gloves. 'Daniel Holman, what you been a-

doing now? Ain't you a pretty sight back. to go and see a dying man?"

"I think I won't go in, Maria. You

He looked guiltily down upon his tell Eben I'll come in after a while, muddled shoes and the earth stains on when the people are gone. You know

his garments. 'Why, you see, mother," he said meekly, "you wasn't quite ready he was taken sick."
and I've been so late getting in those "Daniel Holman" the ground just nice and moist. I in a fierce whisper.
guess a little brushing'll make me The room in which Eben Miller lay

pass muster. polish to his muddled boots, following the process with a violent brushing of his shabby best clothes. Hurat the kitchen sink, he went into eclipse himself in the big roller towel that hung beside it, emerging rosy of countenance and serene of mind.

"Here I am, spick and span gnd handsome as the day you married me, Upon the woman's face there was

answering smile. "You've never made anything

yourself, and you never will, Daniel Holman. The idea of your joking and planting garden seeds when your old friend and comrade, Eben Miller, lies A hero like him, too!"

Had she been looking at him, Mrs. Holman might have seen a quiver of pain that shot for an instant over his placid face; but she straightened her bonnet before the little glass on the kitchen wall, then passed out into the sunshine, herself waiting to Those who looked on were surprised lock the door and hide the key under to see the eagerness in the sick man's the doormat outside.

ing into leaf, the sunshine, filtering his request. through the half-clad branches, made a dancing fretwork on road and sidewalk. Early as it was in the fore- lived with it. I can't die with it. noon, other friends and neighbors were of face, all going in one direction toward Eben Miller's house, for word might sink through the floor. as a brave man may, had expressed the wish that all who had loved and honored him during his lifetime should gather at his home for a last be in the least dispirited or surpris-

camp at Fort Donelson bearing in his arms the insensible form of his Colonel, shot through the thigh, he had been the here of his native was over, had on his return been met at the train by a band of music and terance grew clearer. flying colors, to take his lifelong place among the most distinguished terests of his father, the old Judge, true I lugged Brown into camp the publication of "Don Quixote,"

"I remember the day you marched away," continued the wife, softening again his daughter hastened to give him of the strengthening draught. told you before, but I was so proud After a little he went on: of you! You were the handsomest than the Colonel. You know," she shyly, "I could have had

Brown." "I know," he said, and for a moment age and the years, with all their disappointments, fell away as they looked into each other's eyes.

general's stars," added the grey-haired woman, and her voice took on the obligation of saving your life. a bitter tone, with reminiscence. He said he'd only half saved it, any-"But see how all turned out. Of how, when he reached me. course the Colonel had his start made | The Colonel, who held fast to Mil-

The Man Who Saved Brown re-enlisted and fought the whole four street. years and came out the same high Again the tonic was offered the private you went in and nobody's car- dying man, but he refused it. His

the air with wisps of straw in their beaks, intent upon home-building.

The very atmosphere had the invigorating breath of spring. The old man dropped the seeds with a liber-based on dreaming breath of spring. The old man dropped the seeds with a liber-based on dreaming breath of spring. The old man dropped the seeds with a liber-based on dreaming breath of spring. The old man dropped the seeds with a liber-based on dreaming breath of spring. The old man dropped the seeds with a liber-based on dreaming breath of spring. The old man dropped the seeds with a liber-based on dreaming breath of spring. The old man dropped the seeds with a liber-based on dreaming breath of spring bre al hand in the furrow he had opened; well as I, Daniel, we'll never be able len another man's reputation and I'm then walked backward, treading it to meet the next interest on the not going to die with it on me. Col-

subdued joy in his kind old face, a er. The threatened loss of their zest in every moment; the joy of a comfortable little home, where they willing labor performed in a glad had dwelt during all the years of A voice called sharply from the had been born and reared, was the the window, whose head had drop-ouse: heaviest shadow that overhung their ped on his folded arms. The Colonel Come lives.

They had come up with some of their neighbors and were included in He gathered up his tools and the the slow procession. A carriage her arm around his shoulders and tin bucket that held his seeds and dashed up the street and a portly pressed her wrinkled cheek, with plodded toward the house, gazing gentleman threw the lines to the man tears, against his own. in livery beside him and descended vegetable patch. In the doorway his to the pavement, walking with a rode in the Colonel's carriage. wife awaited him, the frown that slight limp. Meanwhile glances were at the head of the procession rode had graved deep lines on her fore-head drawing her face into unlovely village magnate should honor with ding plumes, and the kind hands of his presence the deathbed of the man | those who had forgiven and loved who had saved his life.

his wife in the proposed visit, held

it ain't as if I hadn't been going to see him pretty much every day since

"Daniel Holman, you come right peas and the shower last night made along with me!" said his better half

was a large apartment on the first He wiped his feet on a grassplot floor. Even with the curtains drawn, back of the house, then came up the steps. From a shelf on the back porch he took down a blacking-brush and did his best to restore the brush and did his best to restore the brush and did his best to restore the brush and did heats follows. gathered about the open doors leading into the adjoining rooms. As they drew near they, heard his voice, in riedly scrubbing his face and hands the piping tones of extreme weakness, ask:

"Where's Daniel Holman? Hasn't Dan Holman come yet?' "Here's Mr. Holman, father," said

his eldest daughter, a matronly woman of middle age. Col. Brown, sitting at the head of the bed, moved aside to let Holman approach. His recognition of the new-comer was not a cordial one. Like the rest of his fellowtownsmen, he held Daniel Holman in light esteem, regarding him as a man of little force of character, harmless and well-meaning but somewhat of a failure in life. Few men are kindly to

failures among their kind. But Eben Miller caught at Holman's hand with the first sign of animation he had shown that day and conversed with him in whispers. he doormat outside.

As they passed along the village treet, lined with tall trees just com
As they passed along the village treet, lined with tall trees just com
The way is narrow and rough.

"I've just got to, Daniel!" persisted Millerl raising his voice. Holman turned abruptly away. The out, clad in their best Sunday circle about the bed opened to let him clothes, silent and decorous and grave pass, then closed again. His wife, witnessing the incident, wished she had been sent around the night be- stinate and self-willed as she knew fore that the old soldier, measuring Daniel to be, how could he have the the little space of life still left him, heart to refuse anything to a dying man, and with so many people look-

Eben Miller himself did not seem to ed. Always a man of eccentric hu-Ever since the day when young mor, a queer smile hovered around Eben Miller had come staggering into his lips as he spoke to his daughter: 'Prop me up on the pillows, Jean,

had been the hero of his native She arranged the pillows deftly, northern town. The Colonel had been then hifted the glass to his mouth. retired because of permanent disabil- The strengthening draught caused the ity; but Eben, serving until the war flames of life to leap high. The old smile glinted from his eyes, his ut-

far away on a Southern battlefield.
"I remember the day you marched He moved his hand feebly and

used to it and liked it. It was fine fun sitting on platforms at public meetings and riding in carriages with the Colonel at the head of proces-sions. But the sight of—that other man-overlooked and neglected-kept me from getting too vainglorious. "I was prouder of you than he ever tried hard-I honestly did, Colonel-

was of his commission," said Hol- to get him to shoulder the credit. At first he said he'd taken your girl "I thought you'd come back with a from you, and he allowed it would

for him; but the fact that he served ler's hand, was looking into the face three months in the War of the Re- of a stern-visaged woman with whitthree months in the War of the Rebellion has done a lot for him. It sent him to Congress and it's made him one of the first men of the State. And Eben Miller's been a big man all his life, and they say his name's got into history. While you! All you got out of that ary battle was a flesh wound in your arm that's made it a little stiff and given

loam that gave promise of fruit'Don't, Maria!" protested Daniel. now for him, and it'd be a bad exfulness. Orchard trees blossomed
'I'll say my say," insisted the wo- ample for the children, destroying their faith and upsetting the fine exonel, Decoration Day comes next week. Promise me-you'll have him-in your carriage-Daniel Holman- the man who saved your life!"

There was a stir in the room -a their union and where their children movement toward the lonely man at rose from his chair and limped across the room, but the first to reach the lonely figure was a woman, who put

On Memorial Day Daniel Holman heaped his last resting place At the gate Daniel Holman, who with flowers.—Flora Haines Lough-had been singularly reluctant to join head in The Ave Maria.

The Way of the Cross

opened the Blessed Book In the hush of a sylvan spot. And I read: "Whoever followeth Me In darkness walketh not."

Cried my soul: "When shadows flee O Lover, more than friend! In the glow of the light I will follow Rejoicing to the end!"

And the leaves of the forest shook, The leaves of that precious Book.

And lo! on another page I read again with a sigh: 'If any man will come after Me, Let him, himself, deny.

'Let him, himself, deny''-it said, (And I trembled shudderingly)-And take up his cross"-it sternly "And follow, follow Me!"

O truth of truths! On the moss, I knelt in the greenwood lone.

And pondered the secret of the cross, In the living World made known. Who wills to walk in the light

That flows from a Source divine, Lord, in the path to Calv'ry's height, Must plant his steps in Thine. For none that path can tread,

Can walk that royal road, Save those that suffer, toil and

Sharp stones the footpath strew,

after the bleeding, burden'd Christ, The suff'ring Christians go. But a glow and a glory bright On those pilgrims ever beam;

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Cervantes in Rome

"Friends, I've called you here to tell you something. Away back in the left inst., the commemoration of men of the community. Col. Brown 60's I got the credit for doing a the 3rd centenary of Cervantes, or had succeeded to the estate and in- brave deed. I never deserved it. It's more strictly speaking, that of the one of the richest and most influen- day he was wounded at Fort Donel- held in Rome at the Roman College. tial men in the country; and Eben, son, but another man picked him It was under the auspices of the who before the war had been accountup from where he fell in the field, Dante Alighieri Society. An interest ed a young fellow of less than aver- under fire, and got a bullet through was attached to the proceedings on age promise, helped along the Col- his own arm for doing it. He'd got account of the presence of King Viconel's backing, and borne aloft on the him to the rear when he himself sank tor Emannuel III., as well as of flood of popular favor, had built up down, faint from loss of blood, right the Premier, Signor Fortis. The reaprosperous mercantile business and where I was standing. Friends, —I've presentative of the Argentine Rebecome known as one of the 'solid' men of the place, serving a couple of terms as president of the town council. Living as he had in a cloud of glory, it had been reckoned ing to follow them as soon as I could ary and official personages, gathered town council. as not least mong his virtues that stiffen up. In the rush and the smoke here to listen to the praises bestowed he had always borne his honors modestly, deprecating all references to body had time to look at his neighborne feithful to body had time to look at his neighborne metal ary and official personages, gathered as not least mong his virtues that stiffen up. In the rush and the smoke here to listen to the praises bestowed and the bellowing of the guns, no-by special orators on the author of destly, deprecating all references to his gallant deed, and been faithful to his old friends and obscure comrades, chief among these Daniel Holman.

"Strange how lock favors one and slights another!" said Mrs. Holman, whose arm was hurt kept still land, Italy. "In Spain the children whose arm was hurt kept still land, Italy. "In Spain the children heart the strangeling villagers for the speak."

"Book at his legge." both the speakers are expressed the hope that his Latin brethren should not forget the glories and traditions of the common mother. Whose arm was hurt kept still land, Italy. "In Spain the children had gone into the speakers and traditions of the speakers and traditions of the common mother."

Next day, when I found my name study Italian in the commercial study Italian in the commercial land, Italy. The Italian language is as she saw the straggling villagers fo-cusing into a veritable procession near the Miller house. "Take you against it—the man who had really schools and in the commercial studied likewise in the secondary near the Miller house. "Take you against it—the man who had really schools and in the two Universities and Eben Miller. You started out done it. We hadn't much time for of the Argentine Republic.. These in life together, in this very town disputing or splitting hairs those are the attestations of gratitude and enlisted in the same company!" days. I-fought through-to the end which we have for the Spanish peoattestations of gratitude "Yes; we fought side by side," as—of the war—and I think my worst ple." Thus, while Cervantes was the sented Holman. His thoughts were enemy—if I have one—can't say— I nominal theme, the glorification of Thus, while Cervantes was the the Dante Alighieri was the actual subject of some of the speeches.

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