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"So busy!" Sweet Bessie is packing Her wardrobe so dainty and fair; rills, gathered and crimped liked a blos

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Bronze boots, number one, for her feet. blue silk for shadowy evenings,

Two black-ore a full dress affair-Misty muslins with glimpses of color, With robes of batiste and goat's-hair.

Small books in the nooks and the corners, Soft bundles of bright-tinted wool, writing-desk, storm cloak, and sandals, A fern-press -more boxes-'tis full.

What else did you pack, little Bessie, What folded, and sealed with a rose? Some dream of the swift-coming summer, Interleaving the beautiful clothes?

Twas a shy little "may-be" that nestled In fan, vail, and kerchief away. Would he be there? Perhaps he would whis

A secret, some love-lighted day.

She is packing her trunk, little Bessie, The summer's sweet idyl is o'er. The voice of the loitering idlers Is heard in the valley no more.

A few happy walks by the laurels, A moon-lighted row on the lake. Ah! me, was the other one fairer?

The pretty, dead hope! Very gently She lays it away out of sight, And she covers it, softly and surely, With summer time garments so white.

Was the gold on the clay a mistake?

The pitiful, sun-wilted garland That needs "for remembrance" no rue To day lower lies than her Bible, That tells of Love stealfast and true.

SELECTED STORY.

PROVING HIS WORDS.

"Uncle Coleman, I am going to marry Lucia Frothinham!"

"Eh? What!" Uncle Coleman put down his newspaper, pushed his spectacles upon his forehead, and glared at his nephew.

"Going to marry Lucia Frothingham !" he cried, after gasping awhile in sheer dismay. "You idiot!"

"Thanks," was the cool raply.

"You may love her; she is pretty and aloud: fascinating, but what she loves is your bank account, my boy. I knew it would with a wife."

tive at my banker's"

"Uncle Coleman," cried his nephew spoke of it.".

"I do not suppose you ever did. Having always had an independent in- sons. come. I don't think you ever counted on a dead man's shoes. But Miss Frothingham was educated in the hard school of poverty, and a rich husband is the prize for which she has studied and toiled, for-well, say ten years. She was ling was far more apt to have every with tops and marbles."

"Uncle Coleman, you are speaking of my betrothed wife, remember." "Hem!"

there is true love." "Hem!"

"And I love Lucia as she loves me." "Not a bit of it."

if you can spare me I will go too."

soon as possible, Frank."

said Frank, disconsolately. had reached "man's estate."

"A month that may settle your whole opinion of his horses, also obtaining her fortune," he said. "Remember men do description of the most suitable carraige not fall heir to a hundred thousand dol- for a lady's exclusive use. Likewise he lars more than once in a life time." "I suppose I must go."

Uncle Coleman, dryly: "it will be a to deck a lady's shoulders. good test of your lady-love's constancy !"

me," said Frank, loftily. "You are actually engaged?"

ring at -- 's yesterday, and put it on poise." her taper finger last evening." peace. You will go to Hartford."

his lap, while he fell in a fit of musing,

corded the heart history of his life. When he had lived lonely a sincere mourner for many long years his brother and wife died, leaving Frank, a curly headed boy, to the care of his uncle Coleman. All the long-sealed fountains of love in the desolated heart opened to pour out their affection upon the child. He was truly the very sunlight of the old man's existence, and thoug his manuer had been cynical, his beart had been sorely wrung by the announcement of his engagement, but not from any pattry jealousy, or any mercenary motive. Had Frank loved a true, tender woman, were she a beggar, his uncle would have given her a father's love and welcome. But by the light of his own brief married happiness he read the misery in store for his nephew if he married Lucia Frothingham, a flirt, extravagant and selfish. How to save him. was costing the old man torturing thoughf-Active opposition would only strengthen what was now but a boyish infatuation, and yet saved he must be. Suddenly a light broke over Coleman Burke's face, and he rose from his chair and went to a long mirror in the room. The reflection was not calculated to waken vanity, vet

the old man smiled well pleased. proof positive," he thought.

know you do not admire the lady, but tacles, and a cane, Coleman Burke was will you give her up? Stop! If she is where there is a strong mutual love-" certainly a strong contrast to the tall, true, loving and faithful I withdraw my "Strong mutual fiddlestick;" inter- handsome young fellow who had won rupted Uncle Coleman, contemptuously. Lucia for his promised bride yet he said I always hoped to give your wife."

I will cut him out !"

A week later all the fashionables at be so when your Aunt Jennie left you a the C-Hotel, Saratoga, kenw that cool hundred thousand. But boys will Coleman Burke was intending to take a already satisfied! You are to go to the be boys. Only, for goodness sake, wait wife. What bird first bore the news centre window of the small drawing- rules: a year or two before you saddle yourself upon the scented air no one could have room, on the East pourch, and listen to "I am twee ty-one, sir." (with an im- formation about the elderly bridegroom meut, with Miss Frothingham." in perspective. Everybody (that was "And I am sixty-four! Now, Frank, anybody) knew that Coleman Burke had do hear reason. Lucia Frothingham is retired from business years before, a fascinating woman, touching the thir- worth half a million of money, and had one hour, and you can take yours afterties, if not already over the line-a fin- made fortunate investments since. That ished flirt, and as mercenary as she is he was decked in fashion's latest styles. pretty; I know her, and I tell you her wore diamond stude and ring, carried a affection is centred upon your Aunt Jen- switch cane, drove a fine team and occunie's legacy, and the million in perspec- pied expensive rooms at the hotel, all could see for themselves.

hotly, "I never thought of it, much less fact was patent to all observers-that votion he raised her hand to his lips and he was very attentive to Miss Lucia greeted her with a flowery compliment. Frothingham, the belle of many sea-

Mrs. Frothingham hoped in her heart that Lucia would not be a fool, and would remember how far Mr. Coleman Burke's pocket-book outweighed his nephew's; also, that an old man's darin society before you were done playing whim gratified than a young man's slave. Having delivered this maternal lecture, the widow dilated upon the expenses of the Saratoga trip, and was rather marked in her emphasis upon a speedy sub-

"Years are of no consequence where | jugation of the elderly adorer. And Miss Lucia shrugged her fair sloping shoulders, threw over them a cloud of black lace and descended to the pourch, where Mr. Burke waited to "To-morrow she goes to Saratoga, and escort her for a drive. His manner of wooing was certainly more business-like "And the business in Hartford! I than sentimental. Where Frank had should advise you to attend to all mat- grown eloquent over the beauty of the ters belonging to your aunt's estate as liquid dark eyes his uncle dilated upon the suitability of diamonds for brunette "It may keep me in Hartford a month." beauty. Where Frank tenderly quot-

ed poetry descriptive of the slender Coleman Burke looked with a pity- grace of the willowy figure, his uncle ing affection at his young relative, such thought velvet was the most becoming a boy yet in many matters, though he to wear for slight figures. As they drove, the fat old gentleman asking ber

"It will be best. Besides," added far below the quality he would purchase age will but increase my respect, and de- H. W. WAHAB.

Sometimes indeed, as Lucis informed "I am not afraid of her forgetting her affectionate parent, "he was a little spooney, pressing her hand, and rolling up his pale blue eyes over the rims "Certainly! I bought a diamond of his spectacles, like a fat old por-

But as a rule, he was simply devoted "Hem! Well, the fool-killer has not in a constant attention. A boquet been here lately, that is certain. There, rare flowers in the morning, followed by be off and let me finish my paper in a call; a drive in the afternoon; a walk Have you not just made me an offer of in the evening, or an offer of escort duty at a ball, became the usual daily But after his nephew left him, Cole- routine. But the elderly woods was an man Burke let his paper lie idly upon energetic and persistent one can't even Lucia, vain of her conquest, was bewildoften interrupted by impatient ejacula- ered by the rapidity of the courting. tions. He was a man as he had said, Only a fortnight ago, she had had but past sixty, and had been a childless a bowing acquantance with Mr. Burke, widower for thirty years, while four lit- and now he had positively offered a patle graves beside that of his wife, re- rure of expensive cameos for her accep-

"A letter from Frank! Coming to day !" mused Mr. Coleman Burke, reading an epistle handed in at his door "Surprised to find me away from home Hopes I have seen his dear Lucia in a kinder light than the one I previously had. Hem-yes-well."

And so Mr. Burke mused and muttered as he donned his most exquisite suit his most dazzling neck-tie, and fastened a bouquet in his button-hole.

"Bless my soul, Uncle Coleman, what swell you are?"

And then Frank was in the room, and the two exchanged cordial greetings. "And Lucia?" Frank questioned 'is she well?"

"She was perfectly well last evening when I took her for a drive!" "You?"

"Certainly. You do not suppose have failed in attention to my future niece, do you?"

"You are always kind!" was the quick reply. "You like her better than you did,"

continued Frank, almost pleadingly. "See here, Frank," said the old man, suddenly wheeling round from the glass to face his penhow. "Is re "I can only carry it out, it will be bargain to make with you. If within one hour, I prove Lucia false, mercena-Short, fat, nearly bald, with spec- ry and a traitor to her promise to you,

> harsh words, and will give her the love "But how can you find out?" said the young man, astonished at his uncle's en-

ergetic proposal. "It is you who are to find out. I am told you, but there was no lack of in- a conversation I am to have, by appoint- you at the least possible cost-no matter

"Envesdropping." "Never mind that grand air of con- ting and keeping of other men's earntempt. I am to have my way for just ings wards for a life-time. Will you go?"

"If you say so." "Go, then." Just a little later Miss Frothingham.

all smiles and white muslin, sailed into the east drawing-room to greet her elder-Very soon after he came, another ly admirer. With an air of deepest de- wealth involves many other's poverty. "I presume," he said, in low, tender

tones, "you are at no loss to guess the reason why I have ventured to summon you here. You must have understood the meaning of my attentions. Need I tell you how dear you have become to me? Need I speak of the love you the charms of art and literature. have inspired?

"You are so kind," she murmured. "I am contemplating a speedy return to the city, and I wish to arrange for the wedding, if I can obtain any expression of your wishes. Do you object to

an early day?" "Any day will be supremely blest, she said, softly, "that makes me your

"My wife! Bless my soul, my neph

"Oh! Mr. Burke, you do not imagine I have encouraged that boy!" with an accent of most magnificent scorn. "He ia an amiable young fellow, and I have been kind to him. But love between myself and a boy of that age is simply

"I am aware that the disparity of

"My dear Mr. Burke, do not speak of that. To me there is a dignity and nofolded upon a seat near the lace, as one your having a slight advantage of me in fluence of an attenuated sigh.

tract nothing from my affection."

"You are only too kind. Then I tell Frank that you-" "Why talk of Frank? Surely you may, choose you a wife without your

nephew's interference.' "I choose a wife! My dear young las dy, what are you talking about? I have no intention of seeking a wife." "No-intention-of-seeking a wife!

marriage?" "Not at all," was the cool reply I

was under the impression that you were engaged to my nephew. As Brank is my nearest relative and my leir, I am anxious to win the affection of his promised wife. But since there is no engagment between you-" "Oh, Mr. Burke, you must have mis-

understood me. My only fear was lest you should not sanction our love. Dear Frank has often spoken to me of your fatherly love for him. You will not reneat to Frank the conversation we have had? I -my confusion-you will forget my wild words?"

"But I shall not!" The blinds parted as Frank spoke, revealing his white face and anger-lighted eyes. Miss Frothingham screamed and Uncle Coleman said quietly:

"Age you convinced?"! thanks you for showing him the folly of have given me a sharp lesson, Uncle Colman; but I thank you that my life has not been blighted by a woman's treach-

The pale face vanished. Uncle Coleman, with a ceremonious bow, took his went into genuine hysteries on the sofa. Uncle Coleman joined Frank on the

ew's, sald kindly : "Forgive me the pain I cause you, for

poach, and linked his arm in his neph-

the love I bear you." "I thank you," was the reply. You have saved me a life of misery by showing me abadeonney woman's transfery. I shall never feel any emotion but gratitude that you proved your words."

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You must not allow your wife or children to occupy much of your time or sult him, before deciding to buy.

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You must not think of preparing for eternity till the close of your, to others, unprofitable life. If you think the game is worth the

natural life; and finally-

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