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Suggestion.
BY MATTHEW BROWN.

The lad and lass were forced to part,
They kissed and went along;
The night went into the poet's heart,
And it came out a song.

SELECTED STORY.

A Battle With an Alligator.

I was returning from the half-built sugar mill one day, perhaps a month after my first arrival at the hacienda, at about 4 o'clock in the afternoon. I was riding homeward then, thinking of many things—of the friends that I should perhaps never see again in the flesh; of—
"What was that? A cry of pain?"
Yes, a cry, certainly of pain or terror—the shrill, appealing cry of a child's agonized voice! and I started and wheeled my horse toward the quarter from which the sounds seemed to come. The cry was repeated, more feebly than before, and I had now no doubt as to the direction whence the call for help proceeded. I dashed across a ravine and, scrambling up the steep bank opposite, came in sight of the chain of lagoons connected with the mighty Rio Plata by a small river, which skirted the plantations of rice and tobacco and on the banks of which I had shot many a snipe and flamingo. Here, at the edge of cane-bordered creek that ran up from the nearest lagoon into the broken ground, where the hillocks were gay with purple rhododendrons and the wild geranium, I beheld a sight that chilled my blood with horror.

the rhododendrons to within some three or four feet of the place where the child stood. The alligator wheeled angrily around, to confront the intruder who dared to come between him and his toothsome supper; and my horse, driven wild with terror at the sight and smell of the monstrous reptile, reared, swerved and threw me, galloping off like a mad creature. I was on my feet in a moment, and had just time to throw myself between the alligator and the boy before the blood-thirsty jaws could close in the fatal snap. The brute recoiled a little, for alligators are cowardly as well as fierce, and they have been known to watch for hours in their reedy ambush, allowing men to pass them unharmed until they could pounce securely on a woman or a child. But the reptile's slow blood had been too much stirred by the expectation of an easy triumph to permit him to decline the fight, and he crawled in upon me, uttering the hoarse cry, half-roar half-whimpering moan, that a cayman gives under the sting of pain or fury.

Events which it takes many words to describe, even inadequately, sometimes occupy but a very few seconds of minutes of actual time; and from the period of my hurrying up in response to young Charlie's scream for help, to that of Juan the Guacho's arrival on the scene of action, probably but a few moments had passed. But, to judge by my feelings, they might have been ages. I had rushed to the rescue just in time to save the tender limbs of Don Miguel's heir from the greedy jaws of the monster, and had made as good a fight as I could, nearly paying with my own life for the young life I had saved, when this new champion rode in hot haste to encounter the common foe. Reeling, breathless, and dizzy of brain, I understood the Guacho's meaning sufficiently to stand back, letting go my hold of the tough whip-handle, which, with the tattered poncho wrapped around it, I had hitherto obstinately kept between the alligator's churning jaws. The infuriated brute followed me up with bitter hate, his hateful snout all but brushing my knee as I staggered back. But just at that instant, whir! crack! came the well-known sound of the heavy lasso whistling past, launched with unerring aim, and, as I gazed about me with haggard eyes, I saw that the noose was tightening round the reptile's neck; while Juan, with the end of the stout cord fastened to his saddle, had started off at a canter, towing along the alligator after him, as he had tugged along many a bull and many a wild steed.

Love Not Elongated.
Oh, young ladies, you are unwise in expecting eloquence from a lover! A man who really loves you will never be eloquent before he is assured of your state of feeling toward him; not at all ways—I should say, on the contrary, rarely—then. When your beauty, your grace, accomplishments, good qualities, &c., have wrought on a man to such a degree that he feels the world can give nothing comparable to your love; when the very sight of you at a distance makes his heart flutter when he feels jealous of every man under the age of sixty who approaches you, and is tempted to strange every good looking comrade who pays you a compliment; when, half-distracted by the alternations of hope and despair, he ventures at last to learn his fate from your lips—do you expect eloquence at such a time? If you do, you expect him to behave as a man in love never would or could behave. Nothing is easier than flirtation with a woman you do not love. Of course you like her, a little, or you would not take the trouble to flirt with her. But when you begin to love a woman you are no longer capable of flirtation. When your admirer is awkward and timid, and silent, and hardly dares to look at you; when his hand trembles at the chance contact with yours and he hardly dares to hold it lest he should offend you; when, at last, after a sore struggle, there comes the faltering from the overcharged heart, in these few but expressive words, "I love you!" then, if I were a woman, I should feel well pleased to dispense with the eloquence of words.

The Atheist and the Fowler.
When Napoleon Bonaparte was Emperor of France he put a man by the name of Charney into prison. He thought Charney was an enemy of his government, and for that reason deprived him of his liberty. Charney was a learned man, and as he walked to and fro in the small yard into which his prison opened, he looked up to the heavens, the work of God's fingers, and the moon and stars which he ordained, and exclaimed, "All things come by chance! One day, while passing his yard, he saw a tiny plant just breaking the ground near the wall." The sight of it caused a pleasant diversion to his thoughts. "No other green thing was within his enclosure. He watched its growth every day. 'How came it here?' was his natural inquiry. As it grew other queries were suggested. 'How came these delicate little vias in its leaves? What made its propellers so perfect in every part, each new branch taking its exact place on the parent stock, neither too near one another nor too much on one side?'
In his loneliness, the plant becomes the prisoner's teacher, and his valued friend.—When the flower began to unfold, he was filled with delight. It was white, purple, and rose colored, with a fine, silver fringe. Charney made a frame to support it, and did what his circumstances allowed to shelter it from pelting rains and violent winds.
'All things come by chance' had been written by him upon the wall just above where the flower grew. Its gentle reproof as it whispered, 'There is One who made me so wonderfully beautiful, and he it is who keeps me alive,' shamed the proud man unbelief. He brushed the lying words from the wall, while his heart felt that 'He who made all things is God.'
But God had a further blessing, for the erring man through the humble flower. There was an Italian prisoner in the same yard, whose little daughter was permitted to visit him. The girl was much pleased with Charney's love for his flower. She related what she saw to the wife of the jailor. The story of the prisoner and his flower passed from one to another, until it reached the ears of the amiable Empress Josephine. The Empress said, 'The man who so devoutly loves and tends a flower cannot be a bad man;' so she persuaded the Emperor to set him at liberty.

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