It was just the busiest season of the year, the milidia of the wheat harvest when Caleb Fletcher's wife gave out.

It was consegrated ing to her busband who was not used to such things, and who expected his wife "to do her part," he said, "as he did his."

"Her part" meant the work of three able-bodied women; and she at best, but a small, meek, weakly woman, with no strength or soul to assert a right, or resist a tyramfedeelliet.

There she lay, with her toil-worn hands lying ally on the blue coverlet, a boy of ten, who was gradgingly spared from the fields, her only help, or nurse. He was the last of five; and because he had more of his father's grit and grain, had made a sturdier fight for life than the little girls, B. FRAM whip the day MARE S

John knew nothing of sickness, and be cause his mother did not call him, or ask for anything, he concluded she did not wish for anything. So he enjoyed a rare holiday, whitling away under a maplein the door-yard; while the mother dozed away the hours, starting now and then, and murmuring a few words in her

Before John had imagined it could be so late, there was a shuffling of feet in the back stoop; and it was clear the folks had come in for dinner.

Caleb stared at the fireless cook-stove, and tramped in to see what it could mean. John, half-scared, and knowing that in some way he should be blamed, slunk away out by the well.

"Isn't your mother about yet?" asked Fletcher, crossly, "Here are all these men ready for their dinner. I should like to know what I left you at home for if it wasn't to help her get the dinner. Tell her we've got to have something set on right off, too;" and he went out in a haff; to feed his horses.

"Dead or alive," mattered one of the men to another, "I'd rather be that man's horse than his wife. He's savin' of his horse-flesh. That costs money."

Caleb lingered at the barn longer than ne needed, nursing his ngly temper, and expecting every minute a summons to the house, It came at last, but not in the way he expected.

"Mother won't say nothing," said John, with a frightened look on his face, walking up to the barn. "I shook her arm, and told her to get the dinner; but she looked so queer at me, as if she didn't know what I was saying."

"Don't make a goose of yourself, John," said the father sharply. "I'll explain matters to her myself," he added, with a grim smile, as he passed into the house, The angry words died on his lips, however, when he caught sight of the flushed face, with its disordered hair, on the white pillow, and met the gleam of the burning eye, which rested full upon him, as it dared not to do for years. It did not flinch now at his gaze. The poor dandge was past being goaded on by the sting of sharp words. With utter indifference, he might come or go, as he chose. The wellkept home might fall into confusion from neglect; the flies might buzz in unheeded into the neat pantries and best rooms. These things were nothing to her now.

"John, run for the doctor," was Caleb's first order, "William," he said to a nephew, at work for him, "you learned to cook some in the army, Can't you scratch around, and hunt up something for the men's dinner? Cut up a ham, and fry some eggs, any way; you will find the things somewhere, Your aunt is took very bad, and I am going for Phebe Stone. If I can get her, we'll make out. Cut the ham as saven' as you can, Billy," he added, in a low tone. And then he walked away, at a round pace, Glad to see the old man step off se

lively," said one of the men. "I think tter of him than I did." "It's inconvenient, losing a wife in harvest time," suggested another.

Miss Phobe, a sallow, bony woman, who looked much like a bundle of dried herbs, and who was as spicy as a bunch of peppermint, came with all haste, and none too soon, she found. For in three days stating things, that "told;" and Caleb the weary hands and tired feet had laid down the burden of life for ever.

tenderly, as she laid the cold hands together, when preparing the last rites for afford to discharge Philena. the poor, worn body.

superstitions neighbor, who was assist- pass things had come to, when a man ing her, "it will be Mrs. Fletcher. I could not be master in his own house." should think Caleb would be seared to But he was forced to "keep a civil tongue stay in this house, after the way he's in his head;" for even Philena had been so they laid her away, in her peaceful only prompt "coming down," on his part

grave, with only kindly, loving thoughts had averted the catastrophe. for the tyrant who has made her life so he could circumvent her, and he laughed PREE OF CHARGE bus bad

The yellow grain-fields ripen and waste in the sun, all the same, though hands grow weary and still, and feet fall out by her iron rule! the way. Caleb was not the man to sit down and idly grieve, and especially let his crops spoil. The day after the funeral he was stirring about as if to make up for lost timenwyghyn garakw strapa

Non may be thankful you have got Philena Wright to keep house for you." suggested Phebe Stone, as she finished on a visit, a buxom widow. She was putting away Mrs. Pletcher's things. rather dashily dressed, and took pains to "She is the only help to be had, for lave be wonderfully gracious to Caleb. Her or money, in this town; and if you don't purse was very light, and her home with mind your P's and Q's, you won't have a relative not very pleasant, so she con-

with Miss Philena." Weller's advice to his "son Samivel," to "beware of the vidders." He took the with hired help, but he knew very well gorgeous bait thrown out to him, and, in what it was to be master in his own house; an intoxication of felly, proposed, and was H. R. STEVENS, Boston, Mass.

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month out, if only to teach Caleb Fletch- bringing into line one "high private." er a lesson. He's needed it these dozen | Neighbors sometimes wondered if i

of her chin and mouth.

"When you have biled pork, Philena," There, were stormy words sometimes sass ain't healthy to onct."

I'll tend to the house-work."

Caleb had no time to discuss matters; 'snappy way" of speaking. "Just like us again." old maids, I suppose," he said to himself, as he went off to his work.

"You will have to go or send to town, to-night, Mr. Fletcher," said Philena,

made known her wants.

hear forever the same old din!

that made things ring.

Philena gave him one glance of wither- er he had ever heard of them." ing scorn, and then remarked, dryly, "That nonsense is all done with. Either get the things, or go without the food," and she whisked off into the milk-room, and shut the door with energy.

"Old man's got his come-up-ance," said one workman to another, as they set on the steps of the back stoop. "I, for one, am glad of it."

As for Caleb, he walked out, and harnessed up Old Gray in a very meditative mood. No wonder he sighed for the good old days when he could slam things around MR. H. R. STEVENS as much as he liked, and grumble and harass to his heart's content. These was no question but what Caleb did miss his

The experiences of the next few weeks The experiences of the next few weeks and so I take it yet. I thank dod for this remedy and yourself-and wishing every sufferer may pay attention to it. It is a blessing for health.

Fletcher. It might be hard, but it was Fletcher. It might be hard, but it was salutary. "All the advantage any one can get of that man is so much gain to humanity," was the general sentiment of the community, though this was not said, MR. H. R. STEVENS :perhaps, in so many words. So he had little sympathy in the snubbings Miss Philena felt called to administer from time to time. She was not a scolding woman, but she was "awfully set in her way." She had a crisp, decisive style

learned slowly that it was useless to say her nay. He would gladly have turned "What a wasted frame," said Phebe, her off, but what could be do ! Hired help was not so plenty, that he could

So the days ground on slowly. Calel "If eyer any body came back," said the inwardly chafed and fumed at the "pretty on the point of leaving several times; and

There was one way, however, in winch in his sleeves as he thought of it. If he had another wife, how triumphantly he H. BUSTEVESS, ESQ. Albert one

for several months! He made himself the general laughing-stock of the place, by his worked attentions of the place, by his worked attentions of the place, by his worked attentions and discontinued its discontin general laughing-stock of the place, by his marked attentions to one and another; those complaints for which ed, and would cheerfully red that they need something the state of the place, by his marked attentions to one and another; for somehow nobody seemed to encourage

the poor man. But, by-and-by, there came into town. her long. Such a capable person you cluded that the substantial farm-house of don't find every day, if she is a little sot in her way. Remember what I tell you, Caleb, and don't go to picking no fusses poor Caleb! He had need to listen to Mr.

woman as that ancient maiden, Philena well-earned money, and resigned her Wright, let her be as "capable" as she place, with a smile, to the charming Mrs.

that was capable of managing him. Poor Caleb! He had jumped out of the "You'll never get on, there, Phila," said frying-pan into the are. If the tables had a friend, as Miss Wright tied on her sun-bonnet, preparatory to sitting out, "Ca- they were doubly turned now. It is said leb is such a difficult man. You won't that tyrants are at heart the most cowstand it three days." ardly of men. It would seem so, from "I am going to stay a spell, any way," the manner in which Mrs. Fletcher the said Philena, with a curious twinkle in second managed to get her husband in her gray eyes, as if she had her mind hand. She had the talent to command a made up on some project, "I'd stay the regiment. No wonder she succeeded in

would not have gratified the carnal nature There was a decision in the very tramp of the meek Sabina to have seen, the poof her small, calf-skin shoes, and the set etic justice meted out to Caleb. It cer tainly was gratifying to them.

She took hold of the house-work with But the new Mrs. Fletcher had her good energy, and soon had things "squared points, too. She was a kind mother to away" to her mind. The men came in to little John. These two soon formed an a bountiful, well-cooked dinner, and were alliance, offensive and defensive, against in excellent spirits, a little too bountiful, the old man; a bad thing in a family, as a Calcu thought it; and he threw out a hint general rule, but extreme cases sometimes

ie said, "you needn't cook no other meat between man and wife, and Caleb's mulish for dinner; and too many kinds of garden- temper fought hard for the mastery. But even in cases of seeming defeat, his wife "Just tend to your mowing, Caleb could make him "tired of gaining the Fletcher," said Philena, decidedly, "and victory long before she was tired of los-

So the world over, "the measure we but he was a trifle "set back" by her mete," is very likely to be "measured to

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