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as I extend thanks for past patronage-and hope for a continuance of the san feb20--1m So draw up the papers, lawyer, and I'll go hom J. W.Taylor. to-night,

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(By request. Betsey and I Are Out.

Draw up the papers lawyer, and make 'em good For things at home are crossways, and Betsey

and I are out. We, who have worked together so long as man Must pull in single harness for the rest of our

What is the matter!" say you. I swan it's

very well; I have no other woman, she has no other man-

So I have talked with Betsey, and Betsey has And so we've agreed together that we can't nev

er agree; Not that we've catched each other in any terri-We've been a gathering this for years, a little at

There was a stock of temper we both had for a, Although we never suspected 'twould take us two apart :

I had my various failings, bred in the flesh and And Betsey, like all good women, had a tempe of her own.

The first thing I remember whereon we disa greed Was something concerning heaven-a difference

We arg'ed the thing at breakfast, we arg'ed th thing at tea, And the more we arg'ed the question the more we

in our creed :

And the next that I remember was when we lost a cow:

tion was only-How? And when we were done a talking, we both of us

But for full a week it lasted, and neither of u And the next was when I scolded because she

And she said I was mean and stingy, and hadn't

And so that bowl kept-pourin' dissensions in our And so that blamed cow-critter was always; comin' up;

And so that heaven we arg'ed no nearer to u And it gave me a taste of somethin' a thousand

And so the thing kept workin', and all the self-Always somethin' to arg's, and somethin' sharp to say;

And down on us came the neighbors, a couple of dozen strong, And lent their kindest service for to help the thing along.

And there has ben days together-and many a We was both of us cross and spunky, and both

too proud to speak; And I have ben thinkin' and thinkin', the whole of the winter and fall,

If I can't live kind with a woman, why, then, I informed, that is all.

And so I have talked with Betsey, and Betsey has talked with me, And we have agreed together that we can't ne

er agree; And what is hers shall be hers, and what is min And I'll put it in the agreement, and take it t

Also keep on hand the celebrated Write on the paper, lawyer-the very first paragraph-

Of all the farm and live-stock that she shall have For she has helped to earn it, through many

And it's nothing more than justice that Betsey Give her the house and homestead-a man can

But women are skeery critters, unless they have And I have always determined, and never failed

That Betsey never should want a home if I wa

There is a little hard money that's drawin' tol'

A couple of hundred dollars laid by for a rainy Safe in the hands of good men, and easy to get

Put in another clause there, and give her half of Yes, I see you smile, sir, at my givin' her so much:

Yes, divorce is cheap, sir, but I take no stock such! True and fair I married her, when she was blith And Betsey was al'ays good to me, exceptin' wit

Once, when I was young as you, and not so smart

For me she mittened a lawyer, and several other And all of them was flustered, and fairly take And I for a time was counted the luckiest man

Once when I had a fever-I won't forget it soon-I was hot as a basted turkey and crazy as a loon; Never an hour went by me when she was our

And if ever a house was tidy, and ever a kitchen

Her house and kitchen was tidy as any I ever

Exceptin' when we've quarreled, and told each

And read the agreement to her, and see if it's all And then, in the morain', I'll sell to a tradin' man

And kiss the child that was left to us, and out in the world I'll go. And one thing put in the paper, that first to me

didn't occur : That when I am dead at last she'll bring me back And lay me under the maples I planted years

When she and I were happy before we quarreled

And when she dies I wish that she would be laid Artificial Teeth, Ex- Only we've lived together as long as we ever And, lyin' together in silence, perhaps we will agree; And, if ever we meet in heaven, I wouldn't think

it queer If we loved each other better because we quarreled here.

Selected.

MALCOLM'S CHOICE.

An old gentleman, leaning forward with his hands clasped over a goldheaded cane, was seated in a summer- Hunter were buried under the fallen house situated upon the grounds of a timbers, the doorway being complete. My own father is gone, but if ever surveyor to use such material for the He was in a corner hidden by droop- Not so the old gentleman, who had tion, believe me, I will gladly come to may be carted away and used elseing vines, and his face expressed deep been their unsuspected listener. He you if possible.' and apparently painful thought. The was taken out pallid and senseless. refrain of his sad musing was, "Only Nobody knew him. He had come serted. Aunt Sophy and Alice return- bis cattle there, or cut the grass or one person in the whole world to love by the morning train, had taken ed to their home, and Alice cheerfully trees, much less deposit his wood, old me, and I shall lose even that love breakfast, but no room, and asked paid out of her small patrimony for carts, wagons or other things there.

house, divided from the side the old ble, announced a broken arm and in- She little guessed how deep an im- although the same stand wholly outsettled down for a chat.

hankerchief corner. For your trous-'Yes;' and the sweet voice faltered,

while a burning blush crimsoneb the fair cheek. 'Is it not pretty?' 'Very. I want to talk about your prospects, child. Your Aunt Mary

tells me you are making a splendid match-'Did she? I think so, Blanche.

Malcolm is so noble and good!' 'But your aunt tells me he is the favorite nephew of the great merchant, Hubert Bates, whose wealth is something enormous. You have only to help him play his cards well and he will probably be heir to a magnificent he is paid for?" fortune. But what ails you? You look as if I was telling you a piece of

'I think aunt Mary has been mis-

'Then he is not Mr. Bates' nephew?' hope of inheriting money. He has a father who is dead.' good salary, and my little fortune will

'Did he never speak to you of his less, and be more quiet.'

me of a lame uncle, his mother's broth- fully when the young girl went to the er, who has been very kind to him, house and offered her services as nurse little note was brought to Alice by a part of his farm .- Judge Bennett. with the deepest love and pity.' 'Pity?'

'He suffers tortures from the effects valuable assistant. of a fall that has lamed him for life

mured Mrs. Courtland.

'Oh, I will go with you. But I de- nursing duties. see if your Aunt Mary is right. Your the doctor, and then submitted to the nephew wait for my death before shar as he does his bond. fortune will never buy or furnish gentle ministration of the two woman, ing in my wealth. I have borne a such a house as a future millionaire only insisting upon a man the doctor curse of distrust in my heart for many

My fortune, said Alice Hunter, within call. If Malcolm has a rich uncle he is not ering, called Alice to him. ey to come to him over a grave. If regretfullp. his uncle Hubert is, as you say, very rich, Malcolm would hate money won soon.' by the death of the nearest relative and dearest friend he has. But I er spoke of it to me.'

Then the talk drifted into discussion of bridal finery, of furniture and in her own married life.

But the old man leaning upon the She made no answer, looking sorcane was thinking: Can it be true? rowfully into his uplifted eyes.

never even mentioned it to his prom- self responsible for a stranger?"

bert Bates had felt a keen pain at not think it was at any great cost,' he gained another tenderer, sweeter the news of his betrothal. He had she added, with a generous desire to love to brighten his declining years never seen Alice Hunter, but he lighten the burden of obligation. 'I by a daughter's devotion and affecknew she had been brought up in a have some money lying idle." circle of fashion and was the orphan ries, Mrs. Mary Haydon.

While he mused upon the conversation he had overheard, the silvery voices of his young neighbors still sounding beside him, there was a sudden crash. Something struck him from a chain round her throat, cut off certain common opinions;

Cries from the summerhouse, from groups of people collected in the hand. grounds brought a party of men speedily to the spot. The rotten posts surporting the roof upon one side had given way and the side and roof had fallen in. Mrs. Courtland and Miss.

On the other side of the summer- geon, summoned as speedily as possi- ble patient. 'It's none of my business.'

injured man the surgeon, still busy dent had thrown them together in a to you for trespassing on your land. binding up his arm as he lay npon a way he little anticipated. The first house, felt a light touch on his hand write to his nephew, and Malcolm met a right to use the road, but not to aand looked up.

'Can I help you?' Alice Hunter home. asked. 'No child, not now.'

'What will they do with him?' I suppose he must go to a hospital? 'But the ride—the journey?' 'Will cause great additional suffer-

ing, perhaps result in death.'
'Doctor, will they keep him here if 'Certainly; but there is not money

enough about him to pay his board a

'I will pay it.'

'You?. 'Yes; I will not let him die for want 'I never heard him speak of a rich of money I have. He'-and her lips uncle, and I am quite sure he has no quivered-he looks like my dear

'Not of a rich uncle. He had told outraging the proprieties most dread- match.' house, and the doctor found he had a ged her to come to him in the car-

hand, and when the sufferer recovered 'My Uncle Hubert, Alice!' phy is not well enough to help me but she sat beside the bed while Alice?'

clare, if I were you, I would wait and The invalid had one long talk with Alice, that it was unkind to have my

with a ring in her clear voice, 'will The season was over, and only these offered me; but, though you were well snapping it out dog-fashion, but say it furnish a house suitable for a bank three remained of the summer board- content to wed the young clerk and firmly and respectfully. clerk with five hundred a year salary, ers at the house, when, one cool Octowhich is what my huspand will have, ber day, the sick man, now fast recov-

the man to live in expectation of mon- 'I shall soon be well again,' he said, 'Yes,' she answered, cheerily, 'very

'I shall miss my nurse.' 'And I my patient; but I am glad come, will you not, to the children, don't believe in the money, for he ney- you are recovering. We were afraid at one time there would be a more painful parting.'

stories of the young wife's content ing. Why should that be painful? I it. Will you let me, too, beg of you am old.'

ised wife? Can it be that I shall gain The fair face flushed, the soft eyes Loving his nephew so deeply, Hu- it was in my power to aid you. Do feared to lose the one love of his life,

circle of fashion and was the orphan niece of one of society's gayest vota- child, you might have poorer jewels to deck your bridal than an old man's tears of gratitude and love. I am getting well and shall soon leave you.

Will you give me a keepsake?' The girl loosened a little locket our readers. It certainly contradicts upon the head, and he lost conscious- one of her golden curls and put it in the laid the trinket in the old man's middle of the roadway.

'With my love,' she said, softly. 'Ah, child!' he sighed, 'an old man sick and feeble wins little love.'

Yet,' she said earnestfy, 'you must believe that I have nursed you since superior rights of the public to travel you were conscious with affection .- over the road, and that of the highway hotel at a fashionable watering-place ly blockaded, but were uninjured. you want a daughter's care or affect repair of the road; and these materials

Three days later the house was dethe hour for the retnrn train. A sur- the board and expenses of her venera- Nobody's children have a right to

gentleman occupied by a rustic parti- jury to the head, making a likelihood pression her care and tenderness had tion two ladies, young and fair, rustled of a long, tedions illness. There was made upon the heart so long closed I held my own opinion, and Betsey another had; in, and taking out some fancy work, some animated discussion, some sug- against human affection, so distrutsful or lop off the limbs of your trees in orgestions of hospital, a search through of any advances from his fellow-crea- der to move his old barn or other One was tall and dressed in a pret- the pockets of the unconcious victim, tures. It was a revelation to him; buildings along the highway, and no And the next that I remember, it started in a ty costume that was at once youthful resulting in the discovery of a small this active charity to an utter stranand matronly; the other was petite, sum of money, but no letters, papers ger. He had gone to the hotel mere-blonde, and not more than eighteen. or cards; and finally a desertion of ly to see Malcolm's choice and had one and another, each going his or purposely left all clue to his identity wise injures them. "Embroidery, Alice?" she said. "A her way with the consoling reflection. behind him. He had intended meeting Alice, if possible, unknown and front of your land and insult you with But when they had all deserted the watching her unobserved; but accihim at the station when he returned buse it.

Knowing nothing of the recent accident, the young man was shocked at the change in his uncle's face.

'You've been ill?' he cried. 'Very ill.' 'Why did you not send for me?' 'I had even better nursing than

yourself, Malcolm. Don't ask me any questions now, but tell me about your marriage preparations.' 'Alice has gone home, and will remain until November. Then she comes

furniture.' 'In November?'

'Yes. Late in November she came, her trunks fuil of Aunt Sophy's present, 'Hem. yes. Here comes the follow- and Aunt Mary gave her cordial greetfurnish a small house; so we can make ers to carry him to the station. I ing. A grand wedding was the disa comfortable and, I hope, a happy think I will have him taken to the play upon which the lady had set her home?' comments upon the rich uncle and Mrs. Courtland declared Alice was her own good fortune in the first-rate is discontinued, or located elsewhere,

But just before the wedding day a inclose it to the centre, and use it as given him his education and a start in to the doctor; but Aunt Sophy silenced gorgeous footman, who was driven to the world. He always talks of him all comment by moving her belongings her aunt's behind a private carriage. from the hotel to the quiet boarding- The note was from Malcolm, and beg-

Alice explained in her quiet, low Wondering, but obedient, Alice was and often causes him weeks of agoni- voice, that her father was ill for nine speedily ready, and was driven to a zing pain. Malcolm tells me with long months before he died and she handsome house where the door was tears in his eyes of his fear of loosing was his nurse. This accounted for open to usher her into a stylish draw-round stores and saloons. the noiseless woolen dresses, the vel- ing room, where a gentleman awaited 'I wonder if it is the same!' mur- vet-shod feet, the quick eye and ready her, and Malcolm advancing said:

'Tell me, Blanche, some of the best consciousness the gentle voice and Kindly blue eyes looking into her places to go for our furniture and car- tact that quieted him in paroxysms of own, withered hands were extended and know nothing of. pets. It will be new work for me to pain and fever. Aunt Sophy was too a voice she knew well said 'We are buy household goods, and Aunt So- much of an invalid herself to help; old friends, Malcolm. Are we not, path.

> moved to and fro, and performed all Then before she could answer, the by going steady than by stopping. old man continued: 'I have thought, provided being with him at night and years, thinking my money won me all the affection, save Malcolm's, that was put young own patrimony into his home, you must not refuse my heir, those of others. who has accepted from me an income that makes him independent, and Keep ahead rather than behind the

this home.' 'My love for Malcolm can bear riches or poverty,' was the anewer: 'but. sir, our home needs you. You will who will try to make your life happy by loving care? Long before I knew inquired: you, Malcolm told me he hoped, when 'You mean I was in danger of dy- he had a home, to win you to live in

to come to us?' 'Gladly, child!' the old man said. 'I understand now,' Alice said to Does Malcolm think so little of my 'And a burden upon you, the doctor Malcolm, why you wanted to wait unNO. 14.

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You wanted to surprise me.' a loving, tender neice, instead of los- were dewy with feeling, as Alice said you are, though it was Uncle Hubert 'I assure you I am as surprised as ing my nephew when Malcolm mar-softly: 'Because you are old and who persuaded me to wait.'
seemed poor and friendless. I was glad So where the rich, lonlely man had

> [From the Youth's Companion. Rights In The Road.

The following statements as to rights in the road may be useful to some of

If a farm deed is bounded by, on or place of some hairs he took out, and upon a road, it usually extends to the

> The farmer owns the soil of half the road, and may use the grass, trees, stones, gravel, sand or anything of value to him, either on the land or beneath the surface, subject only to the

No other man has a right to feed

pick up the apples under your trees, side of your fence. No private person has a right to cut

No man has a right to stand in

abusive language without being liable He has a right to pass and repass bench brought from a ruined summer use he made of his recovery was to in an orderly and becoming manner;

> But notwithstanding the farmer owns the soil of the road, even he cannot use it for any purpose which interferes with the use of it by the puplic for travel.

He cannot put his pig-pen, wagons, cart, wood or other things there, if the highway surveyor orders them away as obstructing public travel.

If he leaves such things outside his fence, and within the Imits of the highway as actually laid out, though some distance from the travelled path, to Mrs. Haydon's, and will buy her and a traveller runs into them in the night and is injured, the owner is not only liable to him for private damages, but may also be indicted and fined for obstructing a public highway. And if he has a fence or wall along

> his land, and not half on the road, as in case of division fences between neighbors. But as he owns the soil, if the road the land reverts to him, and he may

the highway, he must place it all on

How To Get Along.

Don't stop to tell stories in business hours.

If you have a place of business be found there when wanted. No man can get rich by sitting a-

Never fool in business matters. Have order, system, regulation and also promptness. Do not meddle with business you

Do not kick everything in your More miles can be made in one day

A man of honor respects his word Help others when you can, but nev-

er give what you cannot afford because it is fashionable. Learn to say no. No necessity of

Use your own brains rather than Learn to think and act for yourself.

A Dog and a String. A near-sighted friend went to an optician to change his glasses, he then

"After these what will I take?" "These."

"And after that?" "Those."

"And then?" he asked anxiously.

"Then," said the dealer, "I think a small and sagacious dog, with a string money that will be his, that he has tells me. Why did you make your- til after the wedding to take our house. attached, will be about the thing."