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COME BACK TO ME.

BY CARINE.

My heart is sick with hope deferred: I watch for thee with anxious fear.

A YEAR AGO.

BY W. H. N.

I was so rich a year ago that every day, A little child looked up to me amid its play.

I dreamed for him bright dreams and he, The careless that he built were all for me.

I never could begin to tell—I wish I could, How sweet this child of mine—how sweet, how good.

How very rich I was a year ago.

HAILEY ROCK, N. C., May 12th, 1885.

LORENA LINCOLN.

BY ADDIE.

(Continued.)

When Lorena is alone, her first thought is to lift up her heart in prayer to God for having so graciously answered her prayers.

The sunset was never more beautiful to Lorena than now, as she gazes for the last time at all the surroundings of her beautiful home.

With all these thoughts crowding her brain, she remains at the window, and watches the sun shed its last ray of light on the earth.

Mrs. Lorraine sends for Lorena every day or two to know how the children are getting along.

"Oh! is this my dear father's place of repose? Nothing but the cold damp earth for his pillow, and the clouds carelessly thrown over him for a covering."

Lorena's trouble and anxiety has been so great for the last month, and her walk has exhausted her so much, that her feet refuse to support her body any longer.

Lorena offers him her hand, and thanks him for his kindness, and then bids him good morning, assuring him that she can reach home safely.

We will not try to go through the formal greeting between Mrs. Lorraine and Lorena. Suffice it to say that both parties found everything satisfactory.

Mrs. Lorraine sends for Lorena every day or two to know how the children are getting along.

that he is coming she also adds that she is afraid that she cannot keep him with her long.

Paul Lorraine arrives the next evening while Lorena is paying her usual visit to her father's grave, and she does not see him until after tea.

"Oh! Lorena, you do not know how my face is indelibly impressed in Paul Lorraine's memory, and ere another month passes his handsome face and form, and noble character will have made such an impression on you, now untouched heart that time can never erase."

Paul loved Lorena when he first looked into her face at her father's grave. As he has the pleasure of being so constantly in her society for the last two months, learns that her character is even more beautiful than her face.

What shall we say of Lorena? She has been so miserable for the last month. She knows that she loves Paul Lorraine as only a woman can love.

"Oh, if he has guessed my secret, what will he think of me?"

I will not see him any more. If he will not only go away and make his rich cousin his wife, then I know I would never think of him again."

Washington Letter.

(From our Regular Correspondent.)

Washington, D. C., May 15. During the week the Administration has made quite a number of important changes, removals and appointments.

When a fellow is in love—I mean head and ears in love; in love so much that his imagination can transform a pine stump into the image of the idol of his heart.

society is devoting itself to tea. There are three divisions of tea; tea, high tea, and blue tea. The first is a gathering for the purpose of drinking tea and eating some simple refreshments.

When Mr. Cleveland attended Church last Sunday with Mrs. Lamont, it was noticed that the usual crowd that gathers at the Church door to see him on his arrival and departure had not lessened.

Trying Situations.

When a fellow is in love—I mean head and ears in love; in love so much that his imagination can transform a pine stump into the image of the idol of his heart.

like they generally describe it in novels—that is to say, if the girl's head would somehow or other get down on his shoulder and his arm could get around her waist, he might manage to scuffle through the next half hour with tolerable comfort to himself.

The next trying situation is asking the old man's consent. He approaches this with fear and trembling, for he feels that he is asking an inestimable boon and he is surprised at his own presumption.

Ayer's Sarsaparilla has such concentrated, curative power, that it is by far the best, cheapest, and surest blood-purifier known.

The Southern Bivouac.

From the Louisville Courier-Journal, April 11.

B. F. Avery & Sons, publishers of Home and Farm, have purchased of the Messrs. McDonald the Southern Bivouac, and the June number, much enlarged, will be the first of the new series.

The June number will contain a brilliant article on the Battle of Franklin, by Major D. W. Saunders, accompanied by the first accurate map of the battlefield yet published.

OCEAN SPRINGS, MISS., Sept. 13, 1883.

Spencer & Brown—Dear Sirs: Judge H. H. Minor was paralyzed on his left side about one year and a half ago.

Very respectfully, H. A. VANCELEAVE.