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LINCOLNTON, N. C., FRIDAY, SEPT 5, 1890.

From Godey's Ladies Book. A Broken Pledge.

BY M. G. R.

CORGIVE my hasty speech opium or morphine Sold by Dr. J M Law Agues: Will you not ? 1 am Queen Victoria in all her majesty more than sorry to have been provoked so easily." cannot even cure a chicken without

the aid of Ganter's magic chicken The girl addressed seated cholera cure, which is sold in this herself leisurely in the shade of a great oak tree while this confession was being made, and seemed in no

hurry to grant the desired pardon. At last the answer came, slowly. "I am always forgiving you, it seems

mon, ordinary pill when they can secure a valuable English one for the same money. Dr. Acker's English pills are a positi to me." curet or sick headache and all Liver Trou-"Yes I know it, to my sorrow nble. They are small, sweet, easily taken but this shall be the last time. You

and do not grips. For sale by Dr. J M Lawing, Druggists. are going away so soon, you wont Beware of the good deacon who now I wan't to show you something Erritt ?" begins to smile on you at this seamore precious to me than anything son of the year. Ten to one he wants to borrow your children to I own."

take to the circus .- Elmira Gazette

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ing, Druggist.

THE FIRST STEP. Parhaps you are run down, can't eat can t sleep can't think, can't do anything one side was some delicate blue to your satisfaction, and you wonder what tracery, and beneath it, in fine let-

ails you. You should heed the warning, you are taking the first step into Nervous Prostration. You need a verve Tonic and ters, the Latiu words "Ieneor et teremedy for restoring your nervous system to its normal, healthy condition. Surprising results follow the use of this great Nerve Tonic and Alterative. Your appetite returns, gooe digestion is restored, and the Liver and Kidneys resume healthy ac-Triai bottles Free at Drugstore. Lawing 's Drug Store.

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LINCOLNTON, N. C.

and Commercial School.

D. MATT. THOMPSON,

July 4, 1890.

tears rolled down her cheeks. "We her up so differently, not allowing ed his hand after a knotty case ceived, and she shared his disap-

garet.

scence as to my presence. Be more philosophical. Why, look at me! no one were her charms more thor- are soon to be a member."

right here; but I expect to have

there is something to cry for."

the comfort they aimed to convey After a short pause, Margaret said suddenly, "Agues, are you sad at

wish I could take :ou all along; but and declining all invitatations for The last words were spoken a lit! Margaret, you must learn to be less

tle tremulously, as the speaker shy with Lawrence, and more drew from his pocket a small gold triendly, so that you will have locket of exquisit workmanship. On much to write me about him." "I wonder where we will be three years from today," said Margaret gable worker. His ambitious was a little plaintively.

neor"-"I hold, and I am held." "You will have turned into a book Looking at int tenderly, he said, "Father gave this to mother, and ing so much, and I shall be better she left it to me. Now, will you acquainted, I hope, with my Weswear it, dear Agnes? The latter tern friends. But come, Girlie, let's his desk hastily, and gathering up young lady. "And I have been so part of the motto is truth itself, as go home."

far as I am concerned, and isn't the first part equally true ?" Agnes Linden took the locket in the fiercest raging of the elements mencement. It was Margaret's ber hand, looked at it a long time,

could not have kept two of Agnes' and quietly said, "Yes, I will wear

"My darling, I knew you would," was the low joyful answer. Three years, and I shall come to your stant remembrace.

ward."

archly.

that I hold.' "

Western home to claim the fulfilment of this promise. But there comes your friend. Shall we walk

The speaker, Lawrence Erritt, was a tall well made man of 22. The first thought that crossed an observer's mend in looking at him

His darksbrown eyes were a triffe

have been sisters in everything but constant reading, and hard study - that he had been trying, and said name, and now we may never see ing, for both of these pursuits were . Young man, your masterly man-

"Don't cry Kitten! You will soon be as accustomed to my ab-

There are few girls that have had a oughly appreciated than by her Refreshing words they were to gayer time than I have had so far, friend. Soon the winter days set the ambitious fellow. inst as good a time in Colorado. I calling to see Margaret occasional - ning of many others; and when the

A quick, hurt look passed over Margaret's face at these words.

to become junior pardner in the firm of which he was now the salaby that time, if you/don't stop read- ried clork. On one bright day in the latter part of June, Lawrence Erritt looked at his watch, closed

a superb bunch of dewy roses, made The day came for Agnes' depart- his way with all possible speed to

friends from making their way to to Agnes that he would be the

for the last time, and receive assu- have sent her friend had she been rance of frequent letters and con- there. True, he was shamefully late, but Margaret took the honors

pered Margaret, "I shall never love time to hear her essay, Not a mini

seeibg Lawrence Erritt waiting for found a seat before Margaret's his turn, joined another group, and name was announced. What a tried to drown her tears in laugh- pale, fragile figure came forward !

Lawrence crossed quickly to Agnes' side. "I wish we were all farewel. going with you," he said, lightly; then, lowering his voice, "However,"

like the air she breathed to Mar- agement of that case, as well as the two hours' speech, did honor to Agnes was simply witching, and by also the firm of which I hear you

ate avary

in. Lawrence kept his promise by That success was but the begin-

am not going to cry, but wait until ly, and talking for the most part of senoir member of the firm drew him Agnes, her letters and bright say- aside and announced that a formal ings, the one subject upon which purdnership would be entered rence said: Margaret forgot her embarassed upon in the fall, his crowning suc shyness, and grew eloquent. But cess was won.

Just a year had passed since quent, for Lawrence was hard at Margaret went abroad, when baswork. His friends joked him a lit- tening to the Court House one af- grateful."

their society so entirely, never to face with a lady who stopped 1y, "I think we have both been disspending his evenings at the Club, short and said :

"Well Mr. Erritt, it isn't flattera frolic, on the ground that he had ing to be forgotten so entirely by

> A dazed, surprised look passed over the young man's face, as he stammered out :

"I fear I do not know whom I have the pleasure-surely, this is oot Miss Margaret Mason !"

"It is none other," laughed that anxious to see you to make inquiries for Agnes. I have not heard from her for so long. But do not let me detam you, I see you are in a hurry. You will call when you

have the leisure, will you not ?" "Thanks, I shail be delighted," was his reply. "You must pardon my stupidity, Miss Mason, but you

have changed so much that I was actually at a loss to know where I bad seen you."

garet.

pointment as best she could. To the world, Lawrence Erritt did pot wear his heart on his sleeve, but Margaret Mason saw with pitying In contrast with Margaret's face, this bar. I congratulate you and eyes a sterner look in those dark eyes, and tense, hard lines about the mouth, and she prayed that she might be kept from hating her triend, as well as her falseness, and

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that the one most deeply injured might not lose faith in woman. The subject was never mentioned between them but once, when Law-

"Miss Margaret, the only sympathy, at one time, that the thought of I could endure, was yours, and that was silent, but none the less

And Margaret answered, brokenappointed in Agnes."

When Harold Hopeton began to address Margaret was not exactly known. He met her abroad, and that his visits of late had become very frequent, was an undisputed fact. Lawrence Erritt, chancing to call, met him one evening, saw the deep interest he evidently falt in the young lady, and went away with a little sore feeling that the only woman whose friendship, to him, was worth having, would soon be

the exclusive property of some one else. He looked upon himself with having done with affairs of the heart, he had loved and lost, been humiliated, too, but, as he said proudly to binaself. "she was un worthy of my love, and I am strong -strong to endure."

Why, then, after this chance visit, did Margaret's image refuse to be banished from his mind? Was it the thought of another man's hap-No wonder Lawrence Erritt was piness that recalled his own past at a loss. Agnes herself would dreams, or the thought of Margaret hardly have recognized in the tall, herself ? Returning one atternoon graceful figure and assured case of ou horseback from a business trip manner, her shy little friend Mar- in the country, he saw, standing under the same oak tree where A: .

Lawrence marveled that a year nes had stood more than three could make such an astonishing years ago, Margaret, tailer, faires A lady in front of Lawrence difference, and hastened to make even than Agnes ever had be u, an early call. There was not a trace with ber hands full of golden rod of the old shyness, which Agnes Obeying his impulse, he reigned used to hint was caused by his his horse and then jumped off to wear it constantly, will you not? went away she has never been just presence, and when Margaret pro- ask for a spray of the wayside flow, I feel as if I had bound you with the same." Lawrence's heart duced some rate Alpine blossoms er. There was something in the smote him. Why had he not been and said she had brought two of changing color and averted even more thoughtful for Margaret, it each, one to send to Agnes, and the that made Lawrence Erritt imprison only tor Agnes sake. He made other to add to his collection, he the hand extended to him, and ask, his way to her after the exercises was really delighted. Her warm, in a low tone, "Miss Margaret, friendly manner led Lawrence to would I be presuming upon our talking much of himself and his friendship if I should ask you to listen to a little incident that ochopes that were soon to be realized. curred here, where you are stand-In greatest confidence he told her ing, almost four years ago ?" of the change in the firm which was

She did not seem to get from them these calls were by no means frehave many opportunitities; and the thought of leaving Lawrence the that he should have given up ternoon, Lawrence Erritt came face

"Why yes, my dear, I wish I

and the young man was no longer a dreamer; but an earnest, indefativ

not the time. But these festive old friends, and this makes, Ithink occasions had lost their charms, the third time you have passed me."

are. A heavy rain was falling, but the scene of the Academy com-

graduation day, and he had written

the little station to clasp her hand bearer of the flowers she would

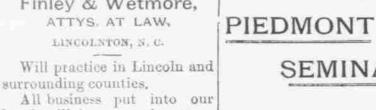
"Good-bye, dearest Agues," whise of her class, and he hoped to be in

another girl as I love you." Then, ute too soon, for hardly had he

It seemed to every listener in the hall that the words of that valedictory were indeed words of

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very firm, if the occasion demanded it, gave an air of strength to his face, only partially contradicted by his eves.

Agnes thrust the locket quickly nto her dress, and and turned with a smiling face to greet her friend. "Oh. Margaret, have you heard

the news? We leave for Colorado a week from today. I had a letter from Cousin Heleu, and she said the girls were delighted with my photograph-and that was not all

the flattery-but thought I would make a charming addition to their circle. I am gay as a bird wheneyer I think of it. But why are you so pale, my dear Margaret ? I believe Lawrance Erritt frightens you whenever you see him. Now, you're blushing. Why Margaret

It is thorough and practical in its work and methods. It does not what is the matter ?" These teasing remarks did not assume to itself the claims of a College, but is thoroughly Academic tend to restore the composure of Location healthy, and of easy access the younger girl, and she looked at by railroad. Fall term of 1890 beher friend in a beseeching way. "I am just recovering from a

similar shock, Miss Margaret," said Principal, Lincolnton, N. C. Lawrence; "but Agnes will not show her true feelings to any of us. It is a clear case of still water runrunning deep."

and that she was free to weave Agnes exhibited very little cons bright dreams of the laad of promcern at the consternation of her ise. friends, and soon launched out into "We seem to be the chief mourna bright description of life in Colo- ers. Margaret," said Lawrence a litrado, the glorious climate, the mag- tle sadly, "and having so much in nificent country, and the gay girls common, will have to be very good who were so soon to be her inti- to each other, will we not ? Let me mate friends.

begin by carrying your books. I The two listeners were as patient am going in your direction this as they could be ; but Margaret's morning."

face was exceedingly sad. Agnes Margaretshyly looked her thanks had been her intimate friend all for this friendly offer, handed her these years of her girlhood, and school satchel to him, and walked she longed for the young man to be along with a heavy heart, inwardly gone, when, free from the restraint wondering that Agnes could leave of his presence, Agnes would pour Lawrence Erritt so willingly for out her sorrow at leaving her, Mar- his place could not be so easily as health. Lawrence heard the news and the package contained his unwilling to have her go without garet, perhaps forever. A few a sister's.

more steps brought them to the While Margaret's face was sweet turn of the road, and with a smiling ly serious one it could lay no claim bow to Margaret and a tender to beauty. The eyes were too deep, glance at Agnes, Lawrence was the cheeks to pale. The whole gone.

"Ob, Agnes !" said Margaret, "I tution, and kind friends often wish- Lawrence Erritt was rewarded for Ouly one person knew the hopes she would accept it, this locket. I cannot believe it. What shall I do ed that Margaret's mother had the hard mental work of the past that were shipwrecked, and the possessed nothing more sacred, it without you ?" And she swift lived, for she would have brought year, when Judge Cuthbert grasp- dreadful blow that had been re-

I am a very bappy man to-day, all whispered to another, "She was all in consequence of a trifle you are ways delicate, but they say since wearing at this moment ; you will Agnes Linden, that friend of hers, that locket more than as if you had accepted ten rings. Well, three

years and I shall be starting west-"You meau if everything turns were over, with the flowers, which out as you expect it," said Agnes, be offered in Agues' name, and was

rewarded for that thoughtfulness by a sweet, happy smile "True," was the rejoinder, "but 1 "Oh. good for you, Mr. Erritt;

am a man, and success is to him these are just the flowers was most who works it. I have an object fond of. How I wish she was here now to work for, and attain itI will." to-day. Do you know this year Already the travelers were boardhas been such a long one to me. I prise. They talked much of Agnes, ing the western bound train. Lawfeel as if the best, the happiest part rence posessed himself of Agnes' of myself was in Colorado." hands for a moment, and, looking

"Well, I have been so engrossed his watch, was amazed at the latedeep into her eyes, said : "Rememwith my work," half apologized ness of the hour, and mentally reber, 'I am held ; ' now assure me Lawrence, "but expect to have corded this as the most delightful "Would I wear your locket if more leisure this summer. I was evening he had spent for a long

just wondering if we could not do a time. you didn't ?" was the half coquetlittle botanizing together, make a Early in September a card ap-

tish reply, and the train was gone. herbarium, say, and send the re- peared in the papers announcing Fortunately Margaret and more sults of our labor to Agnes; that that Lawrence Evritt, E-q, had fortunately Lawrence that that the was her favorite occapation, if you been made a member of the firm of swift moving train carried out of remember." your hearing the sigh of relief

Margatet's face flushed with immediately forwarded to Colorado, which Agnes gave that these tiresome adieus at last were over, pleasure.

"I should be delighted," she said ter to Agues Linden, in which the "but father is determined to send writer assured her that nothing me off for a time. We could begin could have urged him to such strenit now however; I shan't go for nous effort but the rich prize he

some weekse"

The next few weeks were most By some strange fatality, that pleasant ones to Margaret, and letter crossed another addressed to Lawrence bid her good-bye with him. The handwriting was nnfas and when I pressed her for her real regret. "I shan't be idle while miliar but the little package accom- reasons, and asked if she did not while I'm away," she said, "but panying it was addressed in Agues' will add as many rare specimens writing. Breaking the envelope answer was: 'Yes, I'm engaged to

as I can find." Four weeks after Margaret went other-cards of some kind, for what ring, as a long time must elapse away the news came that her aunt he wondered. Only an instant's un before our marriage.' This, of had taken her abroad in the hope certainty, when the dreadful truth course, was unsatisfactory to me, that an ocean voyage and an en- was known; for Agnes Linden's doubly so when I learned they intire change would restore her wedding on the 15th of September, tended moving to Colorado. I felt with pleasure, wondered a little if locket.

hoped to win.

the girl would live to come home. The news electrified the town, and are apt to arise when the only then buried himsolf in his work. So the summer passed. Antumn Lawrence Erritt, as the discarded means of communication are written came in late, winter close upon her lover, was, for a time, the observed words; so, on this particular afterframe suggested a delicate consti- footsteps. And now it was that of all observers.

"Why should it be presuming, to take place so soon, and which he Mr. Etritt ? We are friends, ate we had not yet mentioned to Agnes, as not ?'

he intended it to be a thorough sur-For a moment he was silent, her of Margaret's experiences abroad grave, sweet answer filled him with and Lawrence, when he looked at apprehension. What if he had misinterpreted the expression of her face and surprised her in her thoughts of some one else! It w s too late to retreat, he was giad that

it was.

"Yes," he said, rallying at her last words, "we are friends, and no place could I tell you so easily as right here. Four years ago Agnes Bachelor & Allen, and a copy was Linden sat where you are now sitting; it was on the eve of her deaccompanied by a long ardent let. parture for Colorado. Montus before I had told her that I loved her, and I had reason to believe that she returned my affection. Once I asked her to wear a riog, as it was generally known that there was an understanding between us. She hart me very much by her refusa'.

consider herself engaged fo me, her carelessly he found it contained an you, but I do not care to wear a

some pledge of my troth, knowing Months have passed since then, full well what misunderstandings

noon, I determined to give her, if (Continued on fourth page.)