happy-happy !" She buried her face in her hands. When after a moment she looked up, she was alone. A handsome tired-looking man, with a prema turely-worn and weary face, was coming down the narrow path.

Father | she cried, wildly, running to him and throwing hersel? into his arms; "I have sent Roger away, and-I love him!"

Months afterwards father and daughter sat together. Bir Stephen sighed, and gazed wistfully into his daughter's face. "My dear child, if I thought you were happy, my own sorrow would be easy to bear," he stroked her band tenderly; "but it is a lonely life you've had with me. What do you say to a foreign trip ?'

"No, oh no !" she answered; "that would be cowardly; let us stay here."

"But are you content, dear? Have you gotten over grieving for that young Farsworthy? Isn't it the very irony of fate, that the son of my life-long enemy should love my daughter for

She slipped her arm about his neck, and laid her soft, fair cheek against his withered one: "What a number of questions, papa! I could never answer them all. Gr away, Matthews," to the servant who had noiselessly approached "we do not want to be disturbed."

"A lady, ma'am, wishes to see you most particular."

"A beggar, probably; you should have told her I was not receiving ! "I did, ma'am : but she hasked so gentleslike that I 'adn't the 'eart to refuse 'er."

· Miss Eustace slipped from the arm of her father's chair.

"After such an exhibition of good nature on the part of Matthews, I should be ashamed to excuse myself, should I not ?"

She moved away, with a laugh in

On the threshold of the sittingroom she paused, and, drawing the cortains aside, entered with her light, gliding step. To the girl seated in a far away corner of the room she seemed the very embodiment of youth and happiness.

"It is so dark in here, after the lighted hallway, that I cannot see very clearly," she said, with the charming graciousness that sat so well upon her. "You will forgive me, then, if I ask you where you

But when her visitor advanced she drew back; all the light and kindness faded out of her face; the angry color burned in her cheeks; her eyes flashed.

"To what am I indebted for the honor of this visit, Miss Farsworthy I' she said, with cotting cours tesy; theu, catching sight of the beavy mourning that her visitor wore, her manner changed. "You bave bad a long drive-you are probably tired. Will you be seatedf"

"Thank you. I have something to tell you that cannot be harried o er, and I am very weary"-her words came in gasps; she sank with a sigh of exhaustion into the nearest chair.

Miss Eustace stood grave and comity undifferent in the course of the room. Her visitor, meanwhile, seemed to be gathering courage for what should fullow.

"Miss Eustace," she said, at length, "as you are strong, be merciful! I have come to-day upon an errand that will bring joy and happiness to your household; grief and shame into mine. As you know, my father died saddenly one week ago : not so suddenly, however, but that before he died he called me to him and confessed"-her voice sank into a whisper; her cold, aristocrat. to features were convulsed. "How can I tell you," she moaned; "you whom I have so scorned and wounded ?"

Miss Enstace smiled gravely. "Shall I help you?" she said. 'You have come to tell me that-'

"That your father is innocent !." "Ab-h," said the other, "and your father knew, and might have cleared

him?" "Miss Farsworthy bowed her head.

"He alone knew the truth, for he was at Rolney Cliff the day of the accident. He saw the old man slip and fall-saw stephen Enstace,

ed you, I have been ungenerous and loss of fortune."

kenly, 'give me time.' She passed was it a handsome affair ?' her hand dazedly over her eyes; she 'Very beautiful, there were you made this public !"

bitterness in her tone.

phere, where the portraits on the rising. Good-by." wall seemed to frown upon her, the very furniture to resent her presence, her heart taited her. She made her way to the door, she would go home, she told berself, she waso tired, so sick of soul; with trem bling fingers she lifted the portie and came face to face with Min Enstace. There was a look of extreme brighness about her, despite the tears still shining on her lashes

"It was thoughtless of me to leave you," she said gently, "bu you understood, did you not? De not be in such haste to go, f war! to tell you how grateful we are to you for coming. You have made

"Do not praise me, you can no know how I sbrank from coming. No one but I knew at first."

"Yes, yes, and you might never have told; you might have persuaded yourself that your father was raving, but you were brave and honorable. Do you not think I can appreciate true courage."

"And have you forgiven me?" The tears rose in Miss Eustace's dark eyes; "Why did you hate so? she said, wistfully, "was I so unworthy? Kitty Daynor was m. only friend, and that because her husband was father's fag at Eton but and Lady Grant-"

"Ah, but I had an especial reason. 'What had you to fear from me suppose your brother told you what my answer was?"

"Yes, he told me! Poor Roger he loved you dearly."

"Loved me!"

"Loves you still, but with every thing so changed what can it avail him To

"So changed ?"

"I thought of course you had heard. After my father's death we discovered that he contracted debtso heavy, that when they are pate it will be impossible for us to live at Arleigh. I will remain until December, but Roger goes to Austra. lia within the month."

"To Australia, Roger! Does be not mean to tell me good-by?"

"I do not know, he is very 'busy." "He, too, must have changed the Roger I knew would never have been too busy not to remember old friends." She took a few steps across the room, then came back with a heightened color. "Miss message from me to Roger #7

"Gladly."

"Then will you say to him, that France the strain is lifted publicly from my Peter S. Nev wrote very good pofathers name, and that I am ready etc . There is no record that Marto fulfil the promise I made to him shall Ney ever did, but that dosen't

one long ago.'. "Nothing else ?"

"No, only that, if he has not forgatten he will understand."

"I wash my bands of them, they are a vindictive tamily, ungrateful and take to the core. To think side of his head, waich he said be after all these years of friendship, I received at Waterloo. should not have been invited to Roger's wedding!"

rightly, you were never very foud he and Murat used to fence with of Miss Eustage."

"Absurd! you have confused me with the Farsworthys themselves: Nelly could not endure her, and it both the Marshal and Peter S. Ney is only since het father's death that were undoubtedly the same. Both Roger has been so devoted. You Neys were marked with small pox. know he has scarcely a penny to

"For shame," exclaimed little reached him. He told Col. Penj.

than twenty steps away; but be ways loved her, when the rest of us death of Napoleon my last hope i cause he hated him-had alway hat stood aloof and had no welcome for gone,' ed him-when the country rose up her, he was her faithful friend; she and called him guilty my father said has but rewarded him for his lovno word. Miss Eastice?--rising alty. Dear girl, they say she had from her chair and standing still and almost to ask him to marry her, he white before her-'I have ill-trea .- was too proud to speak after his

hard, but I come to you with mea 'Oh, that is your version, but culpa on my lips! Can you forgive these is two sides to every story. the one I have heard is not so cred 'Wait-wait,' said the other, bro- itable. So you were at the wedding,

seemed stanned by the joyful tide not many guests present, only the ings: 'My father innocent before family friends. Kitty Daynor and the world! my patient father! have that handsome husband of herswere postively radiant. Why how 'Roger went this morning to ar- dark it has grown, I tear it rain ; I range about it, every one will soon must be going. Come and see me know.' There was an unconscious won't you't I am with Lady Adeaide at Vaneleigh; as you know, I My noble father; I must go to will return to London in a forthim, I must be the one to break the nigh, where Nelly joins me. You news; I, who have always trusted know her engagement to my brothin him. She glided out of the room, er is announced. Rather foolish of her footsteps echoed down the long them? Well, no, I can't agree with hall, then died away in the distance, you, they will not be rich, but love The visitor thus left alone in a goes along way, my own marriage strange room, telt the last remnant bas taught me that. Don't trouble of her courage forsaking her. She yourself to come to the door, the had kept up bravely enough until carriage is already at the steps. A now; but in this untriendly atmost cool afternoon? Yes, the wind is

> Peter S. Ney Was Very Like the Brave French Marshat. rom the Charlotte Observer

Rev. J. A. Westen delivered his intensely interesting lecture on Marshal Ney at the city hall las: night to an audience not at all commensurate with the merits of the

After a brief biograpical sketch of the Marshal, the lecturer proceeded to discuss the execution of Nev. He was convicted of treason on Dec. 6. 1815, and sentenced to be shot at 6 o'clock or shortly after the next morning. The official report says Nev was shot by 60 veterans (doubt, ess men he had lead to victory, said the speaker) in an unfrequented part of the yard of the palace of Luxembourg. He proceeded to within 8 paces of the wall and cryng out "Contrades, straight to the heart, fire," he fell dead. His body was exposed 15 minutes on the piace of execution, as was custom-

Other reports by eye witnesses, nowever, show that the body was natantly covered with a cloth and carried away to the hospital. An account by Sir William Frazer, M. P., shows that Ney's own soldiers oaded their own guns and fired at oim While the official report went to show that the face and body were naugled, an eye witness said an officer made a sketch of the marshal efter death and that Nev's countenance wore a plactd smile. Another hody could have been substitued for Nev's after the sham execu ion, said Mr. Weston.

Because of the lack of space on'y a little portion of the lecture can be produced by the Observer.

Marshall Ney four dars after Waterioo expressed an intentish to gomy to the United States. Peter Stuart Ney told Mrs. Mary C. Dalon, who is still living to Iredell, that he whispered to his soldiers "aim high," as be passed them going to his place at the execution. He left Bordeaux for Charleston and landed there in January, 1816. Three years he was in his buting

and prepartng himself to teach. Every characteristic of Peter S. Ney were shown by Mr. Weston to have been possessed by Marshal Ney. Ney was called by his so's tiers "Pete, the Red." Perhaps this was the reason be assumed the name of Peter in this country. His father's name was Peter. His mosher was decended from a family of

The iron frame of the greatest of Napoleon's marshals could defy Farsworthy," she said, standing to wind and weather. Peter E. Ney within the shadow that here visiter commonly made out with four hours could see her face, "will you take a sleep. He never sat near the fire.

He was too fond of his cap but no drunkard. He commonly drank more after bearing bad news from

prove he couldn't. The Marshal played the flute. Peter S. Ney owned and played a costly flute. Peter S, Ney 18 known to have

had every wound on his person that the great Marshall had, except one on neck. His acquaintances cannot remember as to that. He nad a severe sabre wound on the left

Marshai Ney was the best fencer er in France; Peter S. Ney the best in America. The latter told Bargs "Dear Lady Grant, if I remember ess Gaither, of Davie county, that each other in Napoleou's presence. Marshal Nay could sneak English. An exert to'd Mr. Weston that two specimens of the handwriting of

Peter Stnart Ney tainted in the school room at Darlington, S. C., when the news of Napoleon's death standing like one in a dream, more | Mrs. French, indignantly, 'he ale Rogers afterwards: "With the

He was recognized several time by foreignors as Marshal Ney. O one of these occusions at Statesvill a German named Barr created sensation by saying, 'There's Manshal Ney.' On his death bed Peter S Ney solemnly affirmed, in the presence of Mr. Matthew Lock and others that he was the French Mars shal. He died in 1878 and was buried at Third Creek.

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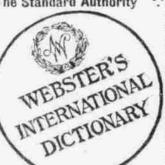
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