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Far up at the mouth of the river, Beyond the narrow beach The last of the home lights twinkle And sink away from our reach, lone on a rock in the desert Of tumbling and tossing tide; The nation's outer signal To wanderers far and wide. Alone, we wander dimly If the fogham reaches the shore Or pierces the outer stretches That tumble and toss evermore.

The thick ning foggy air.

Perchance in the little village Some fisherwife wakes in the night delay. and peers from her smoky window To see if we're shining bright. Or out of the tossing billows A helmsman watches our light, thousand souls in his keeping, As they rush through the pathless

Alone on a rock in the desert And hungry for those on shore, Las screams of the gulls and breakers Around us forevermore. J. Otis Swift in Lewiston Journal.

## Ballay Ball.

DE EMMA SARBIBON JONES. ..

"A ball, Berenice? My dear child, you forget that a ball invovies expense, and just now I haven't a dollar to

The young wife shrugged her white shoulders, and put up her ripe, red lips in childish pout.

lar to spare, Howard, when I ask for the pouting lips beginning to don, sealed and signed. hat's what papa wanted me to do, right hand. nd I wish to goodness I had!"

Berenice!

reproachful face. salary, and what a ball she gave, and white arm. talks of another! And I can't have one, and on my birthday, too!"

may be. There, don't fret any though frivolous and vain. re that's a good child."

and delight. Her husband's face was work was mine, so be the pain and ulte white, and his kind eyes very punishment! Oh, husband, love, forrave but she took no notice. She give me, I have obtained pardon for this flew at him and wound her pret- you—your one sin. The sin commitover and over, in her childish, led, forgiven. Now, on my knees,

od, and you do love me; and I was is here! I have had my lesson!"

Her husband kissed her in a grave ender way and told her he was glad morrow they begin their new life too see der so happy. o the preparations for the birthnight ball went on, and the invitation

cards were issued. ind ices, and all that sort of thing; ent the order to Vivant; mamma me make it out, and Vivant

stands it all to perfection." e only said:

a hundred, too; cheap as dirt, lows:

and answered gravely: well, Berry."

had set my heart on having them, and black poplar, the service tree, the ash, I was sure you would like to give and certain varieties of pine. Otherthem to me for my birthday gift.", pines, especially the mountain varie-"So I do-so I will. Keep your ties, and also certain firs, are very reemeralds, and all the rest of your sistant to wind and are therefore re-

And he rises up with a smothered gales.—Detroit Free Press. groan and strides out of the room. Between its pages a tall man is comand the ball comes off, and is a grand and enormous clasp make it look as success. She wears her Undine green, solid as the walls of a room. These and is by far the best dressed and two extremes of the printers art loveliest woman present.

He is very fond and very proud of seven miles of shelves filled with his young wife; but he drinks cham- books which make up a part of the pagne till his eyes glow with a strange treasures of the Great English library. fire, and his step is unsteady.

The day following he bids Berenice good-by, and goes to his office as usual, but at the dinner hour he does not appear. Night comes, and Berenice, growing uneasy, sends a messenger out to inquire into the cause of his

A note from the senior member of the firm is her answer-a short, sharp note, which tells her in plain terms of her husband's ruin.

He has embezzled funds to a large amount. His fraud has been discovafter him. Berenice reads this terrible note, a

new light suddenly breaking in upon her. She rises to her feet with shrill cry.

"It is my work; I drove him to his ruin," she wailed out.

Then in breathless haste sae gathers together her treasures, gossamer robes, costly laces, blinking jewels, an: laden with them, she goes out into the night.

Sae makes her way to the house of the head of the firm, and into his library. Then and there she goes down on her knees, and uplifts her tearstained face.

which he sold his honor. I made him sands of feet. The ledge was over 300 Of course not; you've never a dol- do it; the work is mine! Oh for feet below the narrow patch. Potter, Heaven's sake, take them back, and after fruitless endeavors to reach the anything," she retorted pettishly. "I forgive this, his first transgression." ledge, returned to the hotel for help. can't see why you need be so saving The old merchant is a man of iron; Ropes and a stretcher were taken to and stingy! It's just because you love but on her knees, groveling at his the spot and work was at once begun your money better than you love me- feet this lovely repentant woman to extricate Mrs. Johns from her per that's it—and it's cruel of you, How- pleads until he relents. She goes llous position. The only thing that I never was used to such treat- forth at last with her husband's par- saved her from death when she fell

and the lovely eyes brimming She finds him in his office, like a cedar trees on the sides of the cliff. tears. "Papa always let me have wild beast held at bay; the door These had broken her fall. own way, and he was right," broken in, the officers of the law sur- Potter was lowered to the ledge uptould have married old Mr Dun- rounding him. He confronts them, a on which rested the body of Mrs. who had no end of money, and desperate man, his eyes wild and Johns. She was found to be conscious nd not have minded spending it bloodshot, a loaded revolver in his but harely able to speak. A rope was

hair flying about her repentant face. path above. Because of her weight But she would not look at his hurt, He sees her, and a bitter laugh breaks this was found to be impractical. Be-

from his lips. I do, Howard," she went on, He turns the fatal muzzle to his a similar ledge a hundred or more hildship, "I'm sick of this mean heart, and fires! But her swift arm feet below. Her body was lowered to alimping and saving. All the decent dashes the weapon aside ere the dead- this ledge. amilies in town give one ball ly bullet does its work. She saves at least. There's Lydia Mortimer- him, at the last instant, but the ball after they had descended to the ledge why her husband hasn't half your meant for his heart, shatters her on which they had lowered Mrs. Johns

wounded and bleeding, she clasps finally reached the path above. Mrs. Yes, you shall. You shall have him, and holds him close to her wo- Johns's escape from death was nothing Berenice, no matter what the man's heart, a heart fond and true, short of miraculous.

"It is well," she murmurs, a smile Berenice looked up with surprise parting her whitening lips, "the arms around his neck, and kissed ted at your wife's tempting is cancelbeg you, darling, to forgive poor me! Do you mean it, darling?" she have been so vain, so cruel, so seifish, cried. Yes, I know you do! You are and heartless. But, Howard, the end

mean to say what I did. I didn't "Thank Heaven!" he murmurs, his n one word of it, and I wouldn't voice hoarse with emotion; and he Id Dunbar's wife for the whole stoops and kisses her white lips as she swoons in his arms.

But she revives again, and on the gether.-New York Weekly.

#### WIND TWISTED TREES.

Storms.

observed the pronounced effect which brings forth its young alive. Last wind has on trees growing in some September I caught a fine specimen, e young husband sighed heavily, quarters. This is particularly notice, and carried her home. Between noon able along the shore, where tree and four o'clock she had nineteen lit-Have it your own way, Berenice." growths will be seen twisted and lean. the ones. They were irritable young nd my dress, love," continued the ing to a remarkable degree. This mat. sters from the start, and almost as wife; "I forgot to mention it ter has been recently given some sys- soon as they were born they would cess." dear, there's no describing it. tematic study by Prof. J. Frub, who coil and leap at my hand, with their ound it down at Dubant's, mam- has observed this wind action in all little jaws wide open. d I a perfect gem, just import parts of the world. The manner in st Undine green, and such ex- which it shows itself by the appear. the larger ones feed an small mamcel Mamma says it will be ance of certain characteristic forms mals, birds, frogs and reptiles, and lest dress of the season, and Professor Frub has classified as fol. the smaller ones on insects. They

"(1.) Trunk, vertical, but without of their heads being so loosely put branches on the side facing the wind. | together that they can stretch their (2.) Top of trunk inclined in the mouths to an enormous extent. I have a dear old love as you are, direction of the dominant wind, seen a milk snake twenty-seven inches call you miserly the other Branch a symmetric; more developed long swallow a fully fledged young enchantress went on, her where shelfered from the wind.

clasping him, her soft "(3.) Whole tree inclined. When Home Companion. his shoulder; but you are growing in masses, these trees or ney, And I know, darlin, shrubs are almost lying on one anlet me have something other. Their dimensions decrease as have set my silly heart on, we go toward the side of the forest Chartran, which will be placed in the to give them to me for that is first struck by the wind. (4.) Trunk and branches may be recently from New York. It shows Mr. hey. Berenice? Inclined in different directions. In Shaw standing with both hands in

anything without porary winds, while that of the foli- shows him in his most natural post gloves." I was so sure, dearest age keeps the directions of the domi- tion, Mr. Shaw cannot talk business | "What did you tell her?" in t deny, ma, I ven- nant wind.

em home. Here they "These deformations are especially plunged deep into his trousers pockets Chicago News. frequent in countries near the sea or | Some of Mr. Shaw's friends objected | ey must cost a pretty in flat regions. In equatorial regions to the painting because they said the ing down at the where violent cyclones often rage, the attitude was not dignified enough for elr bed of crimson. Influence of the dominant winds can a Secretary of the Treasury. They and tosses her not always be noted, for their effects | said he should have at least one hand was inviting him to call again. are often hidden by that of the tor- out of his pockets. Mr. Shaw listened

a so much if they Among the trees that are most sen- Then he declared himself. we will remain antive to the action of the wind the wind the wind the

pretty things, and enjoy them wille commended by the author for the re-The night comes down on the ocean you may, poor little Berry!" forestation of regions exposed to

But Berenice keeps her emeralds, pletely concealed. Its stout binding might justifiably stand at the begin-Her husband looks on well pleased, ning and the end of the bewildering -Good Literature.

#### A MIRACULOUS ESCAPE.

Woman Fell Nearly 300 Feet in a Crevasse While Alone.

Mrs. A. S. Johns, well known to a large circle in New York, is recovering, according to the latest information, from the curious mishap which. befell her while she was exploring in

the Yosemite Valley, Cal. Mrs. Johns left her hotel, Glacier Point, Monday afternoon. She was alone, having left her friend, Mrs. Lewis, at the hotel. Mrs. Johns fell nearly three hundred feet down the slanting side of a cliff while on a twomile walk to the fissures. The Lath led around the Sentinel Dome, back of which is a giant crevasse, and it was here that she met with the accldent. When she did not return at night her friend became greatly alarmed, and search was instituted; Early yesterday morning the searching party started out again and Mrs. Potter, a clerk at the hotel, discovered the almost lifeless form of Mrs. Johns on a narrow ledge of rocks that jutted out from the steep sides of a "Here they are, the geegaws for precipice that reared itself for thouwas the juniper bushes and scrub

fastened around her waist and an ef-Berenice rushes in, her golden fort was made to hoist her to the low the ledge upon which she lay was

A mountain guide joined Potter, and they took her between them and made She does not heed the pain; all their way around the precipice and

#### American Snakes.

Out of the one hundred and sixty odd species of serpents in America north of Mexico, only about twenty are venomous; the others are about as harmless as so many kittens, and may be handled with impunity. Last year I caught with my bare hands several large blacksnakes, a number of garter snakes, three milk snakes, two green snakes, or grass snakes, two water snakes and several others, and although some of them bit me, the effects were of less consequence than

as many bramble scratches. An irritable serpent, but a perfectly harmless one, is the water snake, which will usually be found in or near the water, perhaps swimming among the stems of the pickerel weeds, in pursuit of frogs, or possibly coiled we must have champagne, dear, The Pronounced Effect on Them of up on the bank. This snake will bite, and bite hard, but it is not venomous Every one has at some time or other in the least. It does not lay eggs, but

All our snakes live on animal food: swallow their prey whole, the bones catbird.—E. H. Baynes in Women's

Shaw's Hands in His Pockets A picture of Secretary Shaw, by them back readily following are noted by the author: great decision, my hands are in my with a little sob-- I the cherry, the plum the walkut, the own pockets, anyway.

INVERSE RATIO

Some things in literature appear Which soon must cause distress. The type grows bigger, year by year. The thoughts somehow grow less. -Washington Star.

SHOCKING.

"Why, the bare idea!" "Of what, dear?" "Telling the naked truth!"-Princeton Tiger.

HIGH DODGING:

Gunner-I am tired of dodging trolley cars and trucks. The rich can ride about in their carriages and don't have to dodge anything. Guyer-Oh, yes; it keeps them been

dodging taxes.—Chicago News. A WILD RUMOR DENIED.

"They say your brother Will has joined a suicide club."

"Oh, no; that's a mistake. I suppose the absurd rumor grew out of the fact that he has just bought an automoblia -- Chicago Record-Herald. Science, Elementary and Normal

INJUDICIOUS INTELLECTUALITY. Victoria-Our elub papers are too

Virginia-I think so; twice, now, I've had to come home before refreshments.—Detroit Free Press.

IMPROVEMENTS.

"Have you made any improvements in your invention?" "I have," answered the enterprising scientists. "One of my assistants has

just discovered a new way to put stock on the markets-Washington Star. PLAIN ENOUGH. "Now, children," said the teacher,

which little boy or girl can tell the meaning of the word 'humidity'?" Johnny Wise elevated his hand. "You may tell us, Johnny." "Humidity is when your clo'es

ticks."—Chicago, Tribune. AND HE WAS HEIR. McQuerry-How did young Heritage

get all his money? Anser—Gas. McQueery-You mean he was engaged in the manufacture of gas? Anser-No. A rich uncle of his blew it out.—Public Ledger.

APPRECIATIVE. "Haven't you any regard for the

"Sure," answered Meandering Mike. "I have the highest regard fur de law. I kin never fergit de many obligations am under to de law fur board an'

lodgin'."-Washington Star. YOUTHFUL WISDOM. Elschen-Mother, when I get mar ried shall I have a husband lik

Mamma—Certainly, my dear. Elschen—And if I stay single shall I de an old maid like Aunt Anna? Mamma-I think you will. Elschen (with a deep sigh)—Well, I

AM in a fix.—Just Fun. WOMAN'S WAY. "Yesterday afternoon, between 3:10 and 3:15," said the bright boy, "my

mother killed my father"---"What! Why, your father went to New York yesterday morning." "Yes, and at 3:10 ma got a telegram from him. She killed him in half a

dozen different ways before 3:15, when

she summed up enough nerve to read

the message."-Philadelphia Press.

CONFUSED.

"Did you say a chicken chews its food with its gizzard?" asked the little boy with the high forehead. "Yes; that is practically the pro-

"If that is the case," he queried sweetly, "how can a chicken tell whether it has the toothache or the stomach ache?"-Washington Star.

A WIFE'S MONOPOLY. "That Mrs. Gabble is always praising her busband."

"What bad taste. Why doesn't she let somebody else do it?" "The other women have no reason for praising him, and it they praised him without any reason Mrs. Gabble

would be dreadfully angry."-Cleveland Plain Dealer. LITERALLY.

"Young man," said the head of the Treasury Department, was received big store, sternly, "this lady said you acted discourteously."

HARD LUCK. He stood in the doorway, hat in hand, and the stuttering young lady

"Come around S-s-s-s-," she began, to their objections until he got thred trying to say Sunday, but the sentence was never finished.

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vicas. I could not quite see why he

Henry Wollman has a story of how | should have two million and I only I ought to be satisfied with the devis-"About a yetar ago," said he, "my lion, and I agreed to take the million

"Mr. Joseph Montague," one hundred "His face lighted up with satisface and something Broadway. When this tion. Suddenly it changed, and he Mr. Montague entered. I recognized said: 'Something awful happened to a man I had seen in the west. He told me last night; a burglar broke into me he was about to get up a corpora- my room and stole my trousers with tion to utilize the water power of the all my ready cash, and although it is Missouri and Kansas rivers at Kansas | nearly noon, I haven't had breakfast

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## LIFE AND LOVE BOTH CHEAP IN THE CAUCASUS

In the northern Caucasus nearly half gathered from a case in point which the death rate of the inhabitants is has just taken place in Sosslambek. caused by vendetta, and at least three- Bokayeff is the bridegroom's name. fourths of the vendetta cases are the and Neshkho that of the girl of sweet result of a curious marriage custom sixteen who had the mistortune to find which is row decimating the popula- favor in his eyes. His pockets being tion. The native of those parts who empty he persuaded three comrades to wishes to take unto himself a wife kidnap the maid, whom he then took cannot arrange the matter in the sim- off to another village as his wife. ple offhand manner in vogue in west- But her father, on discovering her ern Europe by "popping the question." whereabouts, had her sent back by the He must go home, sell his belong. police, and then demanded \$150 top lugs, and buy her fairly and squarely loss of her services, as we should say. "I only spoke the truth, sir," falter- of her parents, the price ranging from Bokayeff, to whom the demand was dear—an entire set—this case the inclination of the trunk his pockets, a characteristic attitude. ed the new clerk. "She wanted to \$1,000. This is a costly custom made, would not or could not pay. The Mamma says my may have been due to strong but tem. Mr. Shaw likes the picture, because it know what was the correct thing in his many ways, for it is not every young girl's father thereupon claimed that man who can afford to invest such a sum from the bridegroom's comlarge sum in a wife, however accom- panions, who are equally liable. They "I told her that her hands were." plished. What generally happens in admitted the justice of his claim and

What too often follows then may be lowed to take the place of bullets.

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such cases is that the indigent candi- called up Bokayeff to hand over the date for the order of Benedick induces sum to them. On his refusal they shot a few stalwart comrades to seize the him dead, that being the custom of the maiden and carry her off. | country, although daggers are also al-

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