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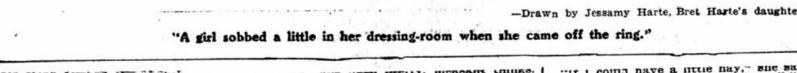
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It was one of those irrefragable June evenings when life at its worst seems to be worth living. The Connecticut valley poured out the intoxicating greens which precede her terrible July. A cool and quiet wind on from the river toward which the minister lifted his eyes as he plodded through the sand to Friday evening meeting.

Deacon Sleeper pressed forward to commend the soundness of the sermon. Deacon Hopewell whispered: "No heresy in that discourse, my dear sir, as he made a dive for the woods behind the meeting house to hunt the outlaw. The soprano offered a solo, quite on her own account and sang as the audience dispersed: 'Now, poor sinner, thus lamenting, Stand and hear thine awful doom.'"

"I don't know before that the circus developed such womanly decorum. He was about to turn away with swift decorum, when his keen eye caught the outline of an unexpected object upon the rude steps of the barn ladder. It was a clown's boot. It was rather a big boot, too. Nay—nay—why disguise the truth from his quickly-beating heart? It was the boot of a man."

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