

MISCELLANY,

Delicate Inquiries.

Dost thou, in visions of the night, dear Love, Even in its darkest midnight, dream of me?

We have our joys by daylight, that is true; But did not visions of the night arise, Gladdening with raptures that we never knew,

[From Chambers' Editing and Journal.] THE WIFE'S SECRET.

If I pride myself upon any mental endowment whatever, it is upon that humble one of common sense. I live what is called by the intellectual people a conventional life. I have my pew in the neighboring church, and sit in it twice every Sunday.

Under these circumstances, it may be easily imagined that we are as free from the vices of the great as we are without their privileges; and this was, I honestly believe, the case until a very recent period.

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side of Bayswater, any such mischance would, I felt, be out of place and ridiculous—a social presumption, as well as a grave domestic crime. Imagine, therefore, my astonishment when my opposite neighbor, Peabody, who also calls himself my friend, did me the honor to call upon me a few weeks ago; to speak in confidence, of the alarming conduct of my wife.

"Very true," returned he, for he always makes use of that form of words—"very true; but still the facts are worth investigating, even from their singularity. Do you know, for instance, that at 11 o'clock, three days a week, your wife goes out in a cab by herself?"

"No," said I, "I do not; though, if she does, it is surely better than if she had an ineligible companion. As a matter of fact, however, she does not do so, for I have offered to go shopping with her twice this week, and she has declined to go with me on the ground of having a sore throat."

"I will grant that much," quoth I, sardonically, and yet not by any means unmoved by this unexpected intelligence—"My wife does not go to morning concerts."

"Peabody," interrupted I, severely, "I acknowledge the right of no man—no, not of the man in the moon himself—to meddle in my affairs upon that ground. I am obliged to you for the interest you have taken in this matter, but the simple fact is, that it has been entirely misplaced. I have been perfectly well aware of my wife's movements, and they have had my fullest permission and approbation. I only wanted to see to what lengths your impertinence and love of interference would carry you. That is your hat, I believe; your umbrella is the alpaca one. I wish you a very good morning."

Jealousy? Why, I had been married sixteen years without entertaining that passion, so that it was not very likely, however well acted, that that passion should entertain me. Misunderstanding! The thing was impossible, for whenever there promised to be "a row in the pantry"—and every man will understand me when I make use of that metaphorical expression—I brought it to a head, and had it out, and off we started again, (speaking for self and Mrs. R.) on the smooth current of our lives, with the little fracas buried forever in its depths.

Maria, I wish to speak with you immediately." "Lor' bless me," answered my wife from the top story, "it isn't one of the children is it, John? Pray tell me the worst at once."

Was it possible that this woman could have deceived me, as Peabody had said, and yet talk so simply of her children, and of house and home? By the time Anna Maria had got down to the drawing room flight, I began to be rather ashamed of myself.

"I called you down, dear, to say that I was going to give myself a holiday to-day; and to ask you to come with me to Hampstead Heath, and dine at Jack Straw's Castle this afternoon, it being such a beautiful day."

"O yes," answered she, shaking her little head, which is very prettily—could it be too prettily?—set upon her shoulders; it is quite impossible that I should go out with that throat."

"Very well," observed I, quietly, "since you cannot come with me to-day, I shall go to the city as usual. I don't care for a holiday by myself."

"Poor, dear fellow," said Anna Maria, coaxingly, as she helped me on with my great-coat, "I am quite grieved to disappoint you. Good-bye, John. Mind you have a good luncheon; its very bad for you, eating those buns and rubbish."

In view of the importance of the approaching Convention, it is of vital consequence to us that we should be represented by men, not only of patriotism and experience, but of legal acquirements. I beg, therefore, to present to the voters of Richland the names of the following gentlemen, who are eminently fitted for the responsible post, for which they are nominated:

- CHANCELLOR SUREOL, HON. WM. F. DESJUSSURE, COL. WM. WALLACE, COL. F. W. McMASTER. Aug 3

The friends of the Union and of their State, desiring to bring into her councils practical knowledge, sound patriotism and devotion to her best interests, respectfully nominate the following gentlemen as delegates to the State Convention from the District of Richland:

W. B. JOHNSTON, Magistrate, Office on Pickens street East end of Lady.

THE LADIES OF THE URSULINE CONVENT and ACADEMY are anxious to rebuild, as speedily as possible, an edifice suitable for their Monastery and Institute, theirs having been burned in the general conflagration of Columbia by the United States Army, under Gen. Sherman, on the night of February 17th.

Headquarters Military District of Charleston. DEPARTMENT SOUTH CAROLINA. ASSISTANT ADJUTANT-GEN.'S OFFICE, CHARLESTON, S. C., July 27, 1865.

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By the Provisional Governor of the State of South Carolina. A PROCLAMATION! WHEREAS His Excellency President Johnson has issued his proclamation, appointing me (Benjamin F. Perry) Provisional Governor in and for the State of South Carolina, with power to prescribe such rules and regulations as may be necessary and proper for calling a Convention of the State, composed of delegates to be chosen by that portion of the people of said State who are loyal to the United States,

By the Provisional Governor of the State of South Carolina.

Now, therefore, in obedience to the proclamation of his Excellency Andrew Johnson, President of the United States, I, BENJAMIN F. PERRY, Provisional Governor of the State of South Carolina, for the purpose of organizing a Provisional Government in South Carolina, reforming the State Constitution and restoring civil authority in said State under the Constitution and laws of the United States, do hereby proclaim and declare that all civil officers in South Carolina, who were in office when the Civil Government of the State was suspended, in May last, (except those arrested or under prosecution for treason,) shall, on taking the oath of allegiance prescribed in the President's Amnesty Proclamation of the 29th day of May, 1865, resume the duties of their offices and continue to discharge them under the Provisional Government till further appointments are made.