

THE STORY TELLER

THE TOLLGATE

The old red bridge, rooted or not, and walled. Still spans the river...

"AS A DAY IN JUNE"

BY MAY D. HATCH.

"By the way, Nan, did McWilliams get you that picture at your limit?"

Mrs. Hubbard hesitated a moment before she answered...

The shaded candle-lamps gave a most becoming and illusive light...

"I wish you would not laugh so I withdrew the order..."

It would have taken a great deal to disturb him that evening...

"I thought, my dear," he said, his handsome eye twinkling...

"Did you get the other—the one for which you gave the unlimited order?"

"Mrs. Hubbard smiled brightly at him. "Yes, and it really is lovely..."

He looked at her puzzled. There was some mystery here, which time would solve...

"I thought you had put on that gown in honor of my coming home..."

"No, I want to stay at home to-night. The Dudley-Billings asked us to a card party..."

"You're improving," her husband answered, and looked soamingly at her...

"Whom is the picture by?" Hubbard asked, meekly...

"It is a very good one," he gave a sigh of relief. "One painted some years ago..."

"I am glad it's an Inness. I was afraid, my dear, that you had been sacrificing your desires to help some struggling young artist..."

"You were afraid of no such thing, Horace. You never knew me to encourage bad work in my life..."

"I have not changed my mind at all about the merits of the two men," Mrs. Hubbard rejoined...

"Well, if you still preferred the Casin, why in the name of your husband's secretary, you get it?"

"Did McWilliams persuade you into buying the Inness? Though I cannot imagine you being persuaded to do anything after you have once made up your mind..."

"Yes, I said, and kept hold of the hand he had put out, and patted it...

"If you have finished your dessert," she said, "let us go down to the den. I had it placed there, and when you see it will tell you about it..."

"Of course you have done right," he said, turning and putting his arm around her...

"You are always such a comfort," she said, gratefully. Wiping off the back of her jeweled little hand...

It was a very inviting room, made gay by some gas logs at a woman's notice; with chairs to lounge in...

Books of all descriptions crowded several plain Chippendale cases—scenery, histories, poems, books on science, on philosophy and novels...

A large round table in the middle of the room, centered by a generous lamp, a joy to read by...

On the walls, which were something between a cream and a pink in tone, hung a motley array of pictures...

Nothing had ever been bought purposely like this. It was slow in expressing an opinion, but slow too in changing it...

"Here it is do you like it?" "Mrs. Hubbard stopped with a little sob at the thought of old Heathy's little picture..."

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EQUESTRIAN STATUE OF GENERAL GEORGE GORDON MEADE. The above is an outline drawing of the equestrian statue of General George Gordon Meade...

"You needn't tell me that women have no sense of humor," said Ricketts to Fosdick.

"I overheard a stuttering man propose once. He said: 'I love y-y-y you d-d-devotely, m-m-marry d-d-d-me'...

"A rude awakes," Of those who read the title clear To manions in the sky, Will wake up rudely yet. I fear, To find in Spain they lie. —Puck.

OVERTAKEN BY FATE. "Yes, a furriner, I heard." "A foreigner? No, an English lady." "Oh, I heard 'ow she was Tartar." —Judy.

The Origin of Words. Little Fannie (looking over a book): "What a lot of words there are. I wonder where they all come from?" "Well, Jennie—they come from quarreling." —"From quarreling?" "Yes, you know, when people quarrel one word brings on another." —Texas Siftings.

"So old Mr. Brown is married at last?" "Yes, a furriner, I heard." "A foreigner? No, an English lady." "Oh, I heard 'ow she was Tartar." —Judy.

Foreign Count—I am reputed to be worth a million. American Girl—Then we must part. Seven hundred and fifty thousand is my outside figure. —Puck.

Dear summer maiden, I would say The sweetest time is now, In a hammock built for two. —Judge.

WELL POSTED IN SCRIPTURE. "Ain't it said, madam, that givin' to the poor is lendin' to God?" "Yes." "Well, you mind lendin' do Lord a quarter?" —Life.

The Summer Maid. Oh, isn't she a gay, romantic girl, When she sets out to pass away the summer? Though first she dreams of nothing but a car. At last she is contented with a drummer. —Judge.

United They Ride. Bloombumper—Mr. and Mrs. Darley are both bicycle enthusiasts. Spats—That is true. They married each other for wheel or woe.—Torn Topics.

A Backward Boy. Green Gates—Is your son doing well at college? Halsey Putnam—Not as well as expected; he is only playing center field. —Brooklyn Eagle.

His Principal Attraction. "You seem to be cultivating old Kajones. What do you see about him to admire?" "His daughter, Laura." —Chicago Tribune.

Willie—What do you mean, money? Pa (bitterly)—Yes, all the money a man can scrape together, and more too, sometimes. —N. Y. World.

It Depends. "How long should a widow wear mourning?" "That depends. A woman who looks best in black should wear it until she is engaged again." —Life.

Ham—What struck you the most, Uncle Hiram, on yer visit ter New York? Uncle Hiram (mournfully)—Buco-steers, my son. —Judge.

Not the Answer Expected. Miss Eider—Miss Pipp, will you kindly tell me whether my Miss Pipp (interrupting)—Yes, your wig is on straight. —Truth.

Explaining Himself. He—How would you feel if I wrote you a love letter? She—I should want you to be there to explain every part. —Brooklyn Life.

A Tea-Part Cure. Wild—Can't you overcome your thins for sum? Tramp—Yes, sir, with a dime. —Life.

A Popular Remedy. His rheumatism now? Judson—Profanity. —Truth.

She'll Will Up the Gang. "You say the desperado came in and cleaned out the town?" "Yes; and now the town people are out scouring the country." —Kansas City Star.

THE FARMING WORLD.

MOLASSES FOR STOCK.

Owing to the recent changes in legislation in regard to beet-root sugar in Europe, the question of how to dispose of the residuum molasses to the best advantage has assumed paramount importance.

A Polish for Tan Shoes. Now that tan-colored shoes are so much worn a hint as to how they may be preserved indefinitely may not be amiss.

Didn't See World's Fair? If you intended to visit the great World's Fair in Chicago in 1893 you ought to visit the next greatest fair of modern times—the Cotton States and International Exposition in Atlanta, Ga., from Sept. 18th to Dec. 31st, 1895.

Don't Forget to Visit the East & Wood Co., St. Paul, Minn., to send you samples of their "Ladies' Hair" and "Standard Tint"...

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IN THE BALLOON SLEEVE is to be a part of the suit of the future. The balloon sleeve will have to be enlarged. —Nashville American.

NOTHING IS Rarer than the use of a word in its exact meaning. —Whipple.

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