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Benignly smiling o'er the mourner's bed ! She comes in dreams, a thing of light and

lightness; I hear her voice, in still, small accents tell Of realms of bliss, and never fading bright-

Where those who loved on earth together dwell.

Ah.yet a while, blest shade, thy flight de-The kindred soul with mystic converse To her rapt gaze, in visions bland, displaying The unearthly glories of thy happier

sphere! Yet, yet remain! till freed from thee, de-She spurns the thraldom of encumbering

clay ; Then, as on earth, in tenderest love united, Together seek the realms of endless day !

# WORKS WONDERS.

#### BY BERTHA M. CLAY.

Was she like Undine? Were there depths in her heart and soul which could not be reached until love had brought them to light? She felt in herself great capabilities that had never yet been exercised or called into action. Love would complete her life; it would be the sun endowing the flowers with life, warmth, and fragrance.

What manner of man must he be who would wake this soul of hers to perfect life? She had seen no one yet capable of doing so. The mind that mastered hers must be a master-mind; the soul that could bring ber soul into subjection must be a grand soul, a just soul, noble and generous.

Ah, wel', the moonlight was fair, and the flowers were fair. Soon, perhaps, this fair dream of hers might be realized, and

REJECTED.

A shadow came between Pauline and the moonlight, and a quiet voice said :

"Miss Darrell, I am so glad to find you here, and alone !"

Looking up, she saw Aubrey Langton standing by her side. Aubrey's fair, hangsome face was flushed, and there was the fragrance of the wine-cup about him, for the gallant captain's courage had failed him, and he had to fortify himself.

fle had seen Miss Darrell go into the conservatory, and he had understood her well enough to be sure that she had gone thither in search of quiet. Here was his opportunity. He had been saying to himself all day that he must watch for his opportunity. Here it was ; yet his courage failed him, and his heart sank; he would have given anything to any one who would have undertaken

the task that lay before bim. There was so

fortune, even freedom-there was so much to be won or lost, that he was frightened. be done. He went back to the dining-room | her. and poured out for himself a tumbler of the baronet's generous old wine, which made his in her musical voice as she spoke to him. heart glow, and diffused warmth through difficult errand. He walked quietly through the conservatory and saw Paulinestanding at | in your love."

the doors. He was not an artist, he had nothing of the port about him, but the solemn beauty of that picture did touch him-the soft, sweet moonlight, the sheaves of white lilies, the nest of daphnes, and that most beautiful face raised to the starry sky.

He stood for some minutes in silence; a dim perception of his own unworthiness came over him. Pauline looked as though she stood in a charmed circle, which he almost feared to enter.

Then he went up to her and spoke. She was startled; she had been so completely absorbed in her dreams, and he was the last person on earth with whom she could identify them.

"I hope I have not startled you," he said. "I am so glad to find you here, Miss Darrell. There is something I wish to say to ear to you. Perhaps that beautiful, calm night scene

smile more gentle than he had ever seen on ber face before.

He came nearer to her. The sweet, subtle perfume from the flowers at her breast reached him, the proud face that had always looked proudly on him, was near his own.

He came one step nearer still, and then Pauline drew back with a haughty gesture that seemed to scatter the light in her jewels.

"I can hear perfectly well," she said, coldly. "What is it you have to tell me ?" "Pauline, do not be unkind to me. Let me come nearer, where I may kneel at your

feet and pray my prayer." His face flushed, his heart warmed with his words; all the passionate love that he really felt for her woke within him. There was no feigning, no pretence-it was all reality. It was not Darrell Court he was tninking of, but Pauline, peerless, queenly Pauline; and in that moment he felt that he

could give his whole life to win her. "Let me pray my prayer," he repeated; "let me tell you how dearly I love you, Pauline-so dearly and so well that if you send me from you my life will be a burden to me, and I shall be the most wretched of

She did not look proud or angry, but merely sorry.

"You love me," she rejoined-"really love me, Captain Langton?"

gently.

He interrupted her. "I loved you the first moment that I saw you. I have admired others, but I have seen none like you. All the deep, passionate love of my heart has gone out to you; and, if you throw it from you, Pauline, I shall

"I am very sorry," she murmured,

"Nay, not sorry. Why should you be

sorry? You would not take a man's life, and hold it in the hollow of your hand, only to fling it away. You may have richer lovers, you may have titles and wealth offered to you, but you will never have a love truer or deeper than mine."

There was a ring of truth about his words and they haunted her.

"I know I am unworthy of yon. If I were a crowned king, and you, my peerless Pauline, the humblest peasant, I should choose you from the whole world to be my wife. But I am only a soldier-a poor soldier. I have but one treasure, and that I offer to you-the deepest, truest love of my heart. I would that I were a king, and and could woo you more worthily."

She looked up quickly-his eyes were drinking in the beauty of her face, but there was something in them from which she shrank without knowing why. She would have spoken, but he west on, 'quickly.'

"Only grant me my prayer, Paulinepromise to be my wife-promise to love me -and I will live only for you. I will give you my heart, my thoughts, my life. I will take you to the bright sunny lands, and will show you all that the earth holds beautiful and fair. You will be my queen, and I will be your humblest slave."

His voice died away in a great tearless sob -he loved her so dearly, and there was so much at stake. She looked at him with inmuch at stake-not only love, but wealth, finite pity in her dark eyes. He had said all that he could think of ; he had wooed her as eloquently as he was able; he had done his However, as he said to himself, it had to best, and now he waited for some word from

There were tenderness, pity, and surprise

"I am sorry, Captain Langton. I never his whole frame, and then he went on his | thought you loved me so well. I never dreamed that you had placed all your heart

"I have," he affirmed. "I have been reckless; I have thrown heart, love, manhood, life, all at your feet together. If you trample ruthlessly on them, Pauline, you will drive me to desperation and despair." "I do not trample on them," she said,

gently; "I would not wrong you so, I

take them up in my hands and restore them to you, thanking you for the gift." "What do you mean, Pauline?" he asked, while the flush died from his face. "I mean," she replied, softly, "that 1 thank you for the gift you have offered me, but that I cannot accept it. I cannot be

He stood for some minutes dazed by the heavy blow; he had taken hope from her gentle manner, and the disappointment was almost greater than he could bear. "It gives me as much pain to say this,"

your wife, for I do not love you."

she continued. "as it gives you to hear it : pray believe that," "I cannot bear it," he cried, "I will not bear it. It is my life I ask from you, Pauline-my life. You cannot send me from

you to die in despair. His anguish was real, not feigned. Love. bad softened her wshe turned to him with a life, liberty, all were at stake. He knelt at her feet; he covered her white, jewelled hands with kisses and with bot, passionate tears. Her keen, womanly institct told ber "You want to tell me something-I am there was no feigning in the deep, broken ready to listen, Captain Langton. What is | sebs that rose to his lips.

To be Consumed.

# Poetry.