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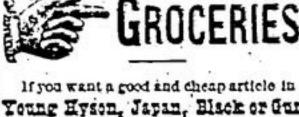
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If the great, who go out with their faces Bedeved by a weeping world's tears, Stand near and on see how their places Are filed, while the multitude cteers ; If the parent, whose lack is bent double With delving for riches and gold, Londs an our to the wrangle and trouble About him before he is cold ; If the wife, who left weeping and sorrew lichland her, bends down from above,

And beholds the tears diled on the morre And theeyes newly barning with love; If the gracious and royal-souled mother, From the silence and hush of her tomb Can bear the bareh voice of another Slow-bilehung the fruit of her womin; If the old hear their early begotten Rejoldnz that burdens are good; If the young know how room they're forgotten,

While the mirth and the revel go ou-What eighing of corrow and anguish Most sound through the chambers of space W hat desolate spirit must languich In that mystle and undescribed place ! Then Life was a farce with its burden, And Dueth but a terribie fest,

But they cannot. The grave gives its guerdon Of slience and boautiful rork

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PART IV. (CONTINUED). In the meantime Walter Ashton had disanxiously for me.

limped slightly in his gait, he had one arm in the damp ditch you had kindly allotted in a sling, and one of his eyes was covered by a to me as a grave. I obtained assistance in a forward. Soon the sorrowful past will be ward on his folded arms. Oh, if we were black patch. His manners were rough, and cottage at hand. I have remained hidden his entere appearance was uninviting. He in the neighbourhood, gained intelligence of tleeping-rooms were all occupied with the here !"

"Haggerstone, ch!" was the traveller's in your power. I'll engage to give you what saidemark. " I thought so." "Ah, you knew of Mr. Haggerstone being

"I did; and, to tell you the truth, my object in coming here is to see Mr. Hargerstone. I should have arrived earlier by some days, but that "-touching his injured arm," and pointing to his lame leg-"I have been laid up by ancident." "Well, sir, if you are sequainted with Mr.

"As I am most particularly." "You'll know him for one who exacts what e regards as his due everywhere, and will shall give you for the night will become his, you will have to recate it. But hapy, sir, Mr. Haggerstone may be expecting

"Hs, hs, hs! I suppose I'm the very last individual Mr. Haggerstone expects to see on And the idea, my uncle told me, seemed

so to tickle the speaker that he laughed till was not restored to his former gravity till he eminently one of a diamond cut diamond

Haggerstone. Therefore he requested Mr. a letter, to be sent, in case of necessity, to Wilkes to avoid, for the present, making the Baronet, wherein he related as much as In 1877, 1878, and 1879, nearly all the any mention of his name. My uncle, hav- was required to establish the fact of his being no particular liking for Mr. Haggerstone | ing still slive. readily promised compliance, and then pro- Haggerstone, on his part, without being ceeded to inform Mr. Bateman of his friend's aware of this step of his adversary, had prepared by its enlarged staff to give the approaching marriage with the daughter of point of fact provided against it by the most thorough grinding to candidates Sir Poyns Welmore. Bateman's attention means concerted for getting him out of the was at once arrested; and he asked, with way until after the marriage. evident interest, when the wedding was to take place. On being informed that it stood on quitting me, walked straight to the stafired for the fourth day from the present, ble-yard-a most unusual event for himne became so lost in his own reflections as _ | and unknown even to Adam Bowles, ordered influenced, it seemed to my uncle, by his the coach to be got ready as soon as possible. somewhat free potations-to mutter to him- Utterly bewildered on seeing the equipage

Mr. Wilkes, affecting to believe himself "What may it be, sir, that won't keep!"

"Only something I've got on my mind," Mr. Bateman answered. "I won't trouble you with it, mine host; and rest assured you by a sedative which he had obtained and Mr. Haggerstone arriving the next morning earlier than he was looked for, my uncle his appearance at the Manor House, bring-

informed him that his room was for a mo- ing a case which contained, he said, when he ment occupied by a traveller who would be afterwards gave it to me, a present for his leaving shortly, but who in the meantime fair bride. The present proved to be a diaprayed Mr. Haggerstone to make such use mond necklace of great price. I could not "The nearest is Sir Poyna Welmore, of it as he might think fit. Haggerstone find it in my heart to make an attempt at quoth Jacob the constable. frowned, but accepted the offer, as he had reconciling her with the gift—the first offered in reply to my uncle's mention of Mr. Hag- the repugnance I knew she must feel, gerstone's arrival, he took no notice of the

movement, askedtake this precaution ! " Haggerstone," was the reply.

freed his arm from the sling. "Do the dead arise !" he cried. "Forster faith to Walter." "Yes: and no thanks to you, Haggerstone.

alarmed."

suredly will, and right gladly."

name with ill-concealed terror.

"Ay, Sir Poyns, Reflect a while. Cast back your thoughts on our long-existing resince I fell, to all appearance dead. You took advantage of my poverty to bend me to your schemes. I departed from America, where I have regularly received your annua stipend of two hundred pounds. The fifteenth year of my voluntary exile arrived. I had grown weary of my abode; and, knowing that the consmumation of your plot was at hand, I resolved to-"

"Raise your demands in proportion M

"Writing ! Admirable device ! To give you had secured your heiress, when you with Mr. Haggerstone for a single instant, looking at me quite wild like, and looked that for the futrie way must dealer the fill the manual for the futrie way must dealer the fill the manual for the futrie way must dealer the fill the manual for the futrie way must dealer the fill the manual for the futrie way must dealer the fill the manual for the futrie way must dealer the fill the manual for the futrie way must dealer the fill the manual for the futrie way must dealer the futrie way must dealer the fill the manual file the futrie way must dealer the fill the manual file the fill the manual file the fill the f that for the futrue you must decline my sequaintance. Ob, yes! I know you, Haggeretone. You are one who knocks out a dog's brains when he has lost his teeth in your service. Wall, I returned to England learned your departure from Londonguessed its object +I followed, accompanied by a friend, and overtook you-"

"In the guise of a couple of highway. "You know I sought not your life. I but "A mere trifle-ten thousands pounds. A the conversation upon ordinary topics. man whose signature is saked with a horse-

nice distinctions. My snewer then was what Arrived there-He had made a movement to fill up his phrase by drawing out a weapon, but ere hypocrite. his hand even reached his coat-pocket he "What found Bateman's pistol close at his ear.

"This time." Bateman said, "tis I who

amprepared. But, Haggerstone, this is a mere sppeard; and I saw Evelyn below sceking folly. If either of us kill the other in s publie inn, he will be simply hanged, and so both

exception of that reserved for Mr. Hagger- "Meaning to renew your acquaintance Evelyn, but not too late'!" stone. My unole explained this, even to the with Sir Poyns Welmore unless I socept Evelyn, remarking the dreamy abstractedextent of naming the intending occupant. | your modest terms. Well, Bateman, I am edness of his manner as he thus spoke,

> "You are wise, Haggerstone. Your hand] n it! Henceforth we are again friends." After which Charles Forster, alias Bateman, resumed his disguise, and the "friends" It would appear that Haggerstone im-

for a far different purpose. celling you how, on my road hither, I was suffer !" attacked by two highwaymen !" "Ay, sir, and how you shot one of the

"Bo I thought ; but I find I was mistaken. That man with the black patch and the sling, who slept here last night, is the supposed dead highwaymen." "Is it impossible! We must have bim

him prepare for resistance." It seems, however, that the case of Forshe was forced to drop into a chair, and then ter, alias Bateman, and Haggerstone was had swallowed the best part of a tankard of for, while these preparations were in progress by the latter against the liberty of the for-When the new-comer had supped, his mer, the man of the alians was not idle in his with him." tongue, according to my uncle, who had been own interests. The entire fabric of Haggerinvited to join him over his wine, began to stone's power over Sir Poyns Welmere was wag freely; and he stated, among other built on the assumption of Charles Forster's things, that his name was Mr. Bateman, and death. Once let it be known that this perhinted that Mr. Haggerstone, not having son was alive, and Sir Poyna might set Hagseen him since his accident, might possibly gerstone at defiance. What, then did the his power over me. You are freed from your not recognize him—in which case, he laugh. so-called Bateman on quitting Haggerstone! ingly observed, he would try to extract a By way of providing himself with a weapon little merriment by mystifying the said against that slippery personage, he prepared

To return to the Manor House. Sir Poyns

bottom of the staircase and entered his ordinary printed characters asrapidly as it is at the hall-door. Adam asked his master "So soon! Then there is no time to be whither he was going, and whether he was going alone. Sir Poyns, who, for the mo-Mr. Wilkes, affecting to believe himself ment, appeared to be suffering great bodily pain, replied that he was troubled with a severe toothache, and was going to the druggist's at Levenham to purchase a remedy On his return he said he felt much relieved

Adam thought no more of the matter. In the afternoon Mr. Haggerstone made

"You are right," was her reply. know I must still wear that mask in my remarked to his captors how fortunate this learnt from one of the two present—that one plainly than I had suspected; and who can make the charge against him, adding-"Are we in danger from without that you overlesping in imagination the three next man as Haggerstone is himself." days-Heaven help me, only three days !--

you tremble, Haggerstone ! For once you are self in my darling's cituation-I felt as and afore a justice as this one."

Ontario Rusiness College, did. And now mark me. I have named my his master heard it; furthermore, Mr. Hag master's particular command—that Miss sought. Associations in eighty four differ-Belleville. price. If you don't buy me, Sir Poyns as gerstone having allowed some impatient Welmore would be unable to receive him lent cities were represented in the Convenremark on the occasion to escape him, Sir that morning. Netwithstanding this cool tion.

"Sir Poyns I" Haggerstone repeated the Poyns observed jestingly that he Hagger-ime with ill-concealed terror. | Stone-would do wisely not to let Miss Welmore hear that he had ventured to frown at a communication coming from ber, seeing lations. Fifteen years have now elapsed about the only certain thing in life was its uncertainty, while he must not forget how there yet remained three days before she would become Mistress Haggerstone. Adam, deep, I knew, in his master's confidence, assured me he trembled at this, to him,

bold language ; but, he added, he was greatly satonished at the apparent meekness with which it was listened to by the usually imperious and insolent Haggerstone. It is however natural to suppose that Haggerstone's confidence in the ultimate issue of door locked before. He unlocked it and let

carceration of that dangerous man. with her till the unwelcome visitor took his Ruth Eavescroft ?"

eventful one. To begin. Bir Poyns, con- question as I felt I could have answered it, trarily to his usual practice, appeared at the I hurried down stairs, bidding him follow. breakfast-table. He was paler and sadder I knocked loudly at Sir Poyns's door, calling than usual, and admitted that he had passed to him at the same time. No answer more than commonly sleepless night. On Again, and more loudly. Still an unbroken several occasions I observed tears in his eyes silence. as he looked at Evelyn. He carefully avoid- "To the window, Adam.!" I cried. ed any allusion to the Subject necessarily The window of this room looked upon a uppermost in the thoughts of us all, keeping terrace walk, and I rushed along one pasmeal concluded, he drew Evelyn under his house by a back door and so reach it. 1

have been for one month playing the of Jacob, the Rolliston constable. What mean you, dear father!" she seked, knowing but too well what he did

" You have tried to make me believe you highway." are resigned-even happy." "And ought not I to be resigned and

"Blue Lion." Late in the evening preced- story. Of my companion's fate I know | "Peace! Ah, never more shall I know the guise of a constituted legal authority. ng this particular day, there had arrived at nothing. I suppose he escaped. As for peace on earth! But my thoughts are now backed by unusual personal strength; at any

already too late! I beat furiously against. "Forgotten ! I pray to Heaven it may - the window-frame. How devoutly I thanked seked for a bed. It so happened that the of what was going on, and you see me or, if aught be remembered, let it be the Heaven when I saw him look up and stare stonement alone ! Twill have come late, wildly at us who stood without! Then he

> "I do not follow your meaning, father. I fear you are ill. Yes, you are suffering. Let me persuade you to take some rest." He smiled a ghastly smile as he repeat-

Then with a burst of emotion-" Pray for Forster!" text of a settlement of accounts—in reality father !" "Wilkes," quoth he, "you remember me Tell me what alls you. Where do you

> " Alas, you have already done too much -too much ! Brave Evelyn ! Look at me !" -drawing her face close to his own. "No toars-almost a smile. I have never once seen you weep and yet now I know your heart was breaking. Yes, Evelyn, yes it point of falling to the ground. is so. Seek no more to deceive me, my own loved one; I witnessed this morning your parting with Walter Ashton!"

"Oh, father! But what then! know we shall meet no more." "I know you will meet-to part no more And my blessing will be on your marriage "But, father, that is impossible!"

"I shall find means to compass it." "And Mr. Haggarstone, father-Mr. Haggerstone!" "Take no further thought of him, or engagement with him. It is as an evil

embrace his lips seemed to shape the word "Farewell" which his voice refused to from the room. Happening to come up the house. But you will soon be rid of his perfectly natural,

private room. I fancied-and later I found spoken, a word of several syllables being rewas not mistaken—that he locked himself | corded by a single touch of the keys. Mr. Haggerstone had probably forgotten, when, in his eagerness to place bodily restraint upon Charles Forster, he had desired my uncle to secure the service of the censtable, that there, were certain legal forms to be observed on an occasion of this sort. My mule was partial to forms, and no sooner had the arrest been effected in his house than he saw the necessity of concurring in the prisoner's demand to be

Forster's satisfaction at this announcement to write a letter which, he said, must be by her future husband-utterly valueless as need not be described. He asked eagerly forthwith despatched to the Manor House, it must be in her eyes. All I could bring where was his accuser Haggerstone. My bedroom, In short, it is supposed be-in Mr. Bateman was scated near the fire, with myself to say on the occasion was a few uncle replied that he had gone out, and it mentally affected, and his long section at his face from the door. Beyond a few words words words words words arging concesiment from Sir Poyns of was odds but he would be up at Rolliston Livadia, it is believed, is to be devoted to a Manor House.

c'osed the door and retired I afterwards to-day tells me he reads my thought more geratone to appear before the justice, and say-if he guessed but even a part of the - "If my accuser does not come forward, No sconer had the new-comer seated him- truth-to what desperate act of defiance the case falls to the ground. Now don't be same time he maintains his claim to the self at a small table standing in the window against his tyrint he might be moved ! Oh, downcast, friend "-to the constable- throne of Anuam, thus defying both China recess than Bateman rose, walked swiftly to Ruth! That terrible man! My soul sickens "when I offer to wager you what you and the vassal kingdom of the south. Never-the door, locked it, and put the key in his at the mere thought that he is now await- like that he will not come forward. The theless, the Imperialists have succeeded in pocket. Haggerstone, observing this strange ing me with something of a master's sense consequences you know. In point of fact, capturing Li Yung Choi's family, which they of authority, and there are moments when, Mr. Wilkes, I'm just as much a highway. regard as an important success, and which,

suddenly tore the patch from his eye and may leave the earth "-here she buried her it was settled that, as soon as the constable sent to take his place.

In the end a message was sent to Mr. | that Mr. Haggerstone arrived at the Manor | deavour to deter them from the infliction of "A pretty question from a man who a Haggerstone intimating that Miss Welmore House. On his asking for Sir Poyns, he was cornelties by penal laws; and therefore. mouth ago shot me and left me for dead in a was not sufficiently well to receive him told by Adam that his master was busy going to the root of things, that a general then, but would do so in the evening. As I engaged, he believed, in writing. Anyhow, wan should be devised for instilling into "You come to make the same demand you afterwards learnt, Bir Poyus was with him he had orders not to let him be disturbed. ohildren in all the schools of the country, at when he received that message. Adam, who Haggerstone made no enquiries about Miss an early age, feelings of gentleness and an-"The same t What do you take me for ! delivered it, told me he was struck by a Welmore; but Adam volunteered the infermanity towards the lower animals, to which I ask of you exactly double the sum I then certain ill-disguised satisfaction with which mation—this, it appears, he did by his and the cooperation of teachers should be

reception, he walked straight into the draw. ng-room-to use Mr. Bowles's expressionas if the place belonged to him siresdy, ob-

left alone for a while. Evelyn's account of her recent interview with her father, his strange manner, and stranger language, coupled with my recol-lection of what had occurred when I met him on the staircase, not only surprised but soriously alarmed me. Evelyn's fears, great as they were, yet failed to assume the terto take. The vision which arces before my excited imagination was nothing less than that of Sir Poyne escritions his own life to save his daughter from life-long misery. Finding it impossible to remain with Evelyn and retain any degree of dalmness, I was already on the point of quitting the room, when Adam opened the door and said the housekeeper desired to speak with me about some household matter.

"It's all a pretence about the housekeeper," he whispered when we were in the passage ! " just not to frighten Miss Evelyn. It's about master. Oh, what could be mean -what could be mean! It's all on account of that Haggerstone, I know. But I can't. understand his words to me."

"Quick, Adam I" I cried, knowing his prolixity. "Tell me what words they are you don't understand."

"Master rang for me just now-I snawered-found the door locked-never knew that Well, you acted like a prudent man. But the resuscitation, as it might be called, of the resuscitation, as it might be called, of the resuscitation, as it might be called, of the resuscitation to make the resuscitation of the resuscitation Evelyn, bade me good bye and Heaven bless me, for all the world as if he knew we were

Then I knew that my fears were well found-The following day was destined to be an | od; and, without waiting to answer, Adam's

Las sage after another, meaning to quit pistol at his head is not likely to make any and led her up to her own room. was surprised, as I opened this door, to hear men's voices as if in discussion with the "My child," he began abruptly, "you female servants. I at once recognized that

What is it, Jacob!" I saked "It's justice business, miss," quoth he "I'm a-bringin' a prisoner afore his wor thip. It's a case o' robbery on the king's.

I remember that I troubled myself very little about Jacob's captured highwayman ; I must now relate the incidents which you lose your hairess and I my twenty happy, since I am about to restore peace to but I believe Jacob himself, in my then state were, about the same time, occuring at the thousand pounds. But let me finish my your breast?" my unclo's hostelry a middle-aged pedestiran myself, your ball must have glanced, and of you, my Evelyn. I have done you rate, I would conduct him to the justice-traveller, who attracted some attention by wounded, without killing me. I came to grievous wrong, but believe me, sweet one, from Arrived at the window in question, I his reculiar appearance and manner. He consciousness, finding myself half immersed I knew not how grievous." "Keprosch not yourseif; let us both look There sat Sir Poyns at his table, leaning for-

> rose and cried angrily-"Go away ! I'll not be disturbed!" "Jacob," I called out, "come and break open the window i" Jacob stared. "I order you to do it !" I exclaimed.

"I don't understand ye, miss," he began, when the prisoner, stepping to the window, cried very loudly-"Sir Poyns Welmore ! Don't you recog-Ah, I shall rest presently." nize me-Charles Forster ! Ay- Charles

"What do you mean! Who is with-"He means," I said, at once enlightened "Here," he answered, taking her hand se to the truth, "that Charles Forster is alive! earthly satisfaction, that illuminated Sir Poyns poor pallid care-wern features as he

> I in the meantime stole into the room and, eccreted a small phial which stood on the table, tabelled " Laudanum" Looking out upon the terrace, I perceived,

> Merciful interposition of Providence 1 Another minute-less perhaps-and it could only have been with the recollection of a terrible tragedy conselessly haunting her that the hairess of Rolliston would have become, as she speedily did, with the blessing and sano-

A MISS WHITEN, now at Damsriscotta.

A BAILBOAD train moved out of. Denver with a bride on board, but the careless hushand was left in the station. He was wild with excitement when he understood that she had been whisked off on her honeymoon journey alone, and at length a compassionateofficial put him on a special locomotive, with orders to the engineer to overtake the bride

Russia has become a confirmed hypocondriforthwith taken before a justice of the ac. He shuts himself up for days, and can with difficulty be persuaded to take food. which must be left at his chamber door. He frequently bursts into tears, and is afflicted with strange dreams. On the nights . when these seize him two doctors ait up in his According to the latest advices from

What occurred after Mr. Wilkes had father's presence. Something in his manner was, as it would be necessary for Mr. Hag- China, the imperial troops have not yet succeeded in subduing the daring insurgent Li Yung Choi, who still holds his ground in the province of Kwangai, while at the judging from Chinese custom, is certainly a Jacob observed to my uncle that, if Mr. very serious matter for the family. The "My precaution is against interruption, it seems to me no crime to pray that some Haggerstone did not take the trouble to former Governor of Kwangai has been deswift and sudden death may overtake me look after his own business, it was not to be posed on account of his failure to subdue the Haggerstone rose to his feet as the speaker | before they have passed over me, and so I expected anybody else would for him. Then | insurrection, and a veteran soldier has been face on my bosom-"in stainless purity and had partaken of a out off the cold round of . At the Convention of Associations for the

beef and a tankard of the "Blue Lion's" Prevention of Cruelty to Animals, held in I was too much overcome to speak to her ; best ale, freely offered by the prisoner at his Gotha, Germany, the characteristically Gernor even, had I found words, could I have own expense, the pair should proceed to the man suggestion was made, and was adopted by But we may reserve the name of Forster for attempted to check the current of her Manor House in a cart furnished by the the Convention as one of the resolutions. Sir Poyns Welmore. To you and all here I thoughts, all fraught with danger as I knew former, he remarking that he had "never, that it is better to make men humane, and am Bateman. Let me look on you. Ah, it to be. For the time being I placed my sure alive, know'd a pris'ner so willin' to go thus desirous of their own accord of treating the brute creation kindly than, having It must have been shortly after mid-day parmitted them to become cruel, to en-

Sir Poyns advancing saked, with a scared

opened the door and came upon the terrace ! Charles Forster stood ready to support him as, overcome by excitement, he was on the

standing among the now assembled servants. Haggerstone soowling balefully on the sin-

tion of a living and once more happy father, [THE END.] NEWS MISCELLANY.

stairs, I met him going down. He stopped, A Miss Whiren, now at Damariscotta, took my hand, and kissed me with lips Me, has probably the longest hair of any that were cold as marble, saying hoarsely- woman in the world. It is eight feet long "I leave Evelyn to you. Do not lose and when dressed in a French twist it passes sight of her while that villain is in the ax times around her head. The growth is SIGNOR DARIO MARZEL stenographer to Unable at the moment to penetrate his the Italian Senate, has invented a machine

meaning, I watched him till he reached the which claims to reproduce a speech in the

at all hazards. Ir is said that the Emperor Alexander of

system o treatment which will either kill or "I Forster rubbed his hands gleefully, and cure