AN AMERICAN STORY.

Lobelia, said pa, 'don't you Lobelia in, says he. 'Not a mito never have nothin' more to say to sooner. I'll cure her of sparking that young man."

You see pa was set in his ways, and when he said a thing he meant | and cried and listened, and cried it Lobelia had been going about and listened. After a while I considerable with Nathan Spoke, didn't hear anything more, and in and ra, he hadn't any idea of an hour or two the storm was over; Nuthan, or of our Lobelia throwing but pa never budged until milkingherself away on him.

or not. She was a pretty gal was out the back way himself. our Lobelia-couldn't find a prettier in all the States.

He's my steady company, pa, no sign of her. She wasn't in the said. Please don't lisk me to barn; she wasn't in the woodshed;

give up my steady company.' 'I call him your onsteady company, said pa. 'There won't be says I, much steadings in him, if he's 'Dea a chip of the old block. Mind don't vanish like smoke." what I say. No more of his visits for you. And mobbe when you can bake a cake a body can cat down collar and up attic, and over Call and Sec our Handsome Buggies without splitting it with a hatchet,

Well, ufter this of course the poor girl didn't dire let him call on their heads. She hadn't bear here; here, As far as I know she never she hadn't been there; and we saw him, and I ea on Grimes, a were almost frightened out of our widower, and worth his hundred senses, when at last, what should thousand, come over most every we see but Nathan Spoke himself, evening, and pa mad up his mind

that was the match for Tobalia. Twan't for me to interethough I petted her, and let her | know that I stood by her, but I didn't want to rile pa up. Pa an't pleasant when he's riled. But one day when she asked me for to let her go and take her knitting and spend the day with Fannie Brown, I was so glad to see her look so chipper and feel like going out once more, that I said wes right off, head,' though it was iron-in-day, an iron-

in'day is hefty. Well, she went about cleven o'clock in the forenoon, and about two there cause up most awful thunderstorm. The lightning it zig-zigged, and the thunder it bellered, and the rain it poured down like cats and dogs. I was skeered myself, and knew jest how Lobelia

Arter a while the storm calmed down a bit; at least it went further off-the thunder did and I sat looking through the rain, out o' the front winder, when who should I your doing. She begged to come see coming along the road but two in and hide her head, and you people a man and a gal. He was walking pretty fast, holding up an to me, 'Let me hide my head umberill and doing his best to keep somewhere! Ob, let me hide my head somewhere! 'I Lobelia,' says on his arm, and every time the I, 'there's one place-that's my lightning flashed, hiding her head bosom. Just come to Parson

in his coat sleeve. I knew she was our Lobelia, by a right to hide it there for ever. her blue muslin dress and her little She says: 'Oh, anything, so I grey sacque, but at first I could not can hide my head. tell who the man was, Minute more I saw it was Nathan Spoke. Yes, and there was pa a looking her over here afterwards, and she

'It's that feller,' says be. 'Ah, says pa, 'I'm glad of it.

I'll show Lobelia how to disobey And out he ran into the hall. followed him, and what was be doing but locking the door; and after he'd done that he flowed to the kitchen door and fastened that. He didn't leave a place to get in at before he was done, not so much as the cellar-way. And he put all the

began to read the newspaper, I was near dumbfounded. 'Oh, pa,' says I. 'Oh, pa dear ; oh, you ain't going to lock your own gal out in a storm-like this.'
'Hold your tongue, ma,' says he,

'I'm master in my own house,' She may be struck, pa,'

tifics, says he. Dod't you hear the thunder revemberlating away he beart instead. over the mountings. If it strikes anybody south of Parker's Pint I'm and can buy first-class Planos a goose.'

But she'll be skeered to death,'

Oh, lomme hide my head in a.

give it to me.'

'Oh! oh! says Lobelia. 'Oh! ob, dear! Is he mad at me for coming home with Nathan? ' Yes, dear, says I, Just then came a crash and a

That one most struck me, says in need of paying work at home, should write to us and learn about the work at Ine in to hide my head somewhere. Address THUE & Co, Augusta, Malue. I was so skeered I'd have come SCHOOL TEACHERS: You can home with any sort of feller. Oh! School Teachers your salary by oh! I didn't care how horrid he devoting a very small portion of

was so't he had an umbrella. Lem- your leisure time to my interest. But he wouldn't. I sold him I'd my celebrated Beatty's Pianos and liave high strikes, but all he said of the sold strikes, but all he said

Well, they are easy cured with a bucket of cold water.'

And I knew he was equal to doing it, though I had my now Japanese poplin on. Arter the storm is done I'll let

with Nathan Spoke. Well, I sot down by the door time was come. Then he took Lololia was our daughter; I down his hat, and throwed me the danno whether it's a curious name, key of the front door, and went

I rushed out, and I looked up and I looked down, and I couldn't Well, when pa said that, Lobelia find Lobelia. Arter a while pa New is the time to leave your order began to look, too; but there was

she wasn't anywhere, 'You've killed my paor gal,' ' Dead folks is to be found, they

But he was as white as a ghost present season, from the best material. when he said it, and after going to usighbor Jones's, he put on his and can sew on a batton so it won't coat, some I got my bonnet, and we blow off, I'll hunt up a decent hus. harnessed up the horse and wagon, and rode down into the village. Everywhere we asked they shook | Horse-Shooing & Concral Black-

plates of dinner in his hand, and tin kettle of coffee on his arm, ! Hallo ! savs pa.

lin lo . says he. Where's my Jal' says pa.
' Where's my Jal' says pa.
' Hiding her head,' bays Nathan. 'Where I' says pa. · Up in my room, says N5; han. 'I've been keeping bachelor's half

at Widow Gunter's over the way. She's been up there hiding her 'How durst you take ber there?' says pa. 'You shall be punished for this. Here, where is she?

'Can't be did,' says Nathan. See these plates, don't yel One of 'em is for me; one for my wife. I married Lobelia over at Parson Grey's just as that biggest clap of thunder came-the one that sound ed like a thousand o' brick, and struck somewhere, sartin sure.' .

'Married!' says pa. 'Married !' says I. 'Yes,' said Nathan. 'It's all wouldn't let her. Then she says Grey's with me, and he'll give you

'So we went to the parson's. There's the certificate. I brought did her head as much as she liked. I've just been out for some dinner, Well, says I, see how its I'll get two more plates if you'll stay and dine with us—with me and my wife. You see, sir, you looked your daughter out, and I wouldn't have been half a man not

to help her find a place to hide her bead in-not to find the best I ' Hold your tongue,' says pa. "But we went upstairs and saw Lobelia: She was lying on a sofa, with a piller on her head, but she ook it off when we came in.

'Oh, ma and pa,' she said, 'den't keys in his pocket, walked into the be angry. I had to hide my head parlor and sat down on the sofa and somewhere, and you wouldn't open the door.'

You see she had right on her side, and she was married, and it couldn't be helped, and even pa has got over it now, though it took o long time first ; but he don't pride · But she may be struck, says I. himself on managing folks as he did before the thunderstorm, when he wouldn't let Lobelia hide her

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