*** *********** When you grieve, and let it show, And may tell me nothing more, You have told me, o'er and o'er, All a woman needs to know. When I show you that I care (Meet your eyes and touch your hand), I have made you understand

All a woman may or dare. the ears of Friendship heard So, 'twas seen of Friendship's eyes! You are sad, I sympathize, All without a single word.

The Feud of the Fergusons.

BY KATE M. CLEARY. (Copyright, 1901: By Daily Story Pub. Co.) "There's a buggy comin' over the

hill," announced Mrs. Ferguson. "Well, if I don't believe something's gone wrong with the gear!" She was peering eagerly between the sitting-room curtains of warm red chenille. "Come here, an' see, Lessie-your eyes are

younger'n mine." But the girl sitting listlessly by the little open stove did not stir nor speak. Her bright bit of knitting had fallen neglected on her lap. Upon it her slender brown hands lay clasped in the idleness of indifference.

"Scems like you don't take interest in nothin' since you been up to Cartville to visit," went on her mother irritably. She sent a sharp glance in the direction of her daughter. Then she turned again to the window. "Its broke or something," she enunciated with brisk recurrence of curiosity. "The man's comin' this way. He's leading the horse. He's comin' straight here!

It was a comfortable, common little room that wherein mother and daughter sat. The rag carpet had mellowed to dull tones and tints so subdued as to suggest the wonderful weaves of the Orient. There was a glass lamp on the crocheted mat of green wool which ornamented the round walnut center table. The couple of wooden rockers had crazy-work cushions and headrests. On the shelf which did duty for a mantel was a clock, a china dog, and two frost-white glass vases decorated with scarlet reses. The yellow light of the winter afternoon came in between the chenille curtains, and gave to the oval cheek of the girl by the hearth an almost peach-like translucence. Except for that skin of childreflected her mood, which was that of to him?" downright melancholy.

window, kept issuing bulletins. "He's was Ellis Dix that you--got far as the rye patch now. First "Ellis Dix!' 'echoed Mrs. Ferguson I thought 't was Eilis Dix, but it ain't. with an unabashed change of opinion. Ellis don't come here much since you got to puttin' on airs after gittin' back will likely come in for all Hiram from Cartville. This one is taller'n Sands' property-let alone a man that Ellis-he's got a moustache too. He knows a lady an' the best of cookin' in don't belong in these parts. You go the county when he sees 'em?" to the back door, Lessie. I'm skeered of the wind in my face with the neuralgy I got. Find out where he's from. You can tell him where's the tool me norable snow storm that lasted

bis harness. There-he's knockin'!" after the slow-moving form of her lodger. It was he who got the kitchen daughter.

"I wish I'd never let her go visitin' her shoes on-him with the likliest laid eyes." bunch of steers of any man in the like the life was throwed after her. how, the old man of the Cartville

dealin' up to Cartville!" Lessie, opening the back door, saw silhouetted against the white expanse saw him driving into the yard." of the snowy prairies, a big, burly figure in great-coat and slouch hat.

"you'll find it in the right-hand--" She broke off with a little gasp-her

heart plunging. "Lessie!" said the stranger. "My girl-Lessie!"

Then the slim little form in the blue, in the fervent grasp of two powerful, Rene, mother," she said.

rough-coated arms. "Oh, Rene!" Her voice was sweettremuious. "On, Rene-how dared

you?" He kissed the loving reproach on her

lips to silence. "For you!" he answered. "I've

driven over from Cartville to see your say he was Tom Sands. You said so, father. I'm going to ask him for you. and I-I made him pretend. He-And if he refuses--" The masterful Rene-thinks a heap of you already, look that came into his blue eyes was | mother!" a good thing to sec.

"But-Rene! Father has gone to Iowa. And even when he is at home he has nothing to say if mother's around."

"But he's been keeping up the feud now, he might persuade you-" between the families all these years, and-"

No-no! Its been mother. Father has only fired the bullets she made. If |-the feud." you can once get mother to favor you

-hush, here she is!" Ferguson preceded her like a herald- smiled. ing horn. She appeared in the doorway, rosy, excited, voluble. "He's the cake for supper," she said. nephew of Hiram Sands has been expectin' to come to stay till plong' ng

name, ain't it, Tom Sands? Hiram, he went to Chicago with cattle. He says for you to make yourself to home till he gits back. The house is took keer of by old Betsy Lynch. She ain't much account. You better stop right here till the boss is home. Got your buggy out of kilter, didn't you? Lessie, you pint out the barn to him. We'll have supper soon's I can git some spice cake stirred up an' the pork fried. You set the table, Lessie!" And she bustled off into the buttry.

Lessie looked at her lover. Her face was lovely in its sudden illumination. Her eyes were sparkling. She put up an imperious little hand and laid it on Rene's lips.

"Don't say one word!" she whispered. "Its luck-all sheer good luck! Now's your chance if-" The dancing eyes flashed at him a smile of tender coquetry-"if you want me!" she concluded. "Yes-mother, I'm coming. That is the barn Mr .- Sands!"

If ever an intriguing lobbyist laid deep and intricate plans; if ever an insinuating sultor paid serious siege to the parent of his adored; if ever a bold and ardent lover determined to win by strategem and hold in pride the one woman he loved, the wiles of these were trivial compared to those of Lessie Ferguson's adorer.

"That young man," said the deluded hostess when her guest had gone to his repose in the little slant roofed bed-room upstairs, "is the best judge of spice cake I ever see! Did you hear



"Come here and see Lessie."

like fairness and the lustrousness of him praise it? And he said he never her long gray eyes, Lessie Ferguson ett such pickles-which is sayin' the could hardly have been called a pretty | truth-if I did make 'em! He knows girl. Her face in repose was sober- my family too, and how high my faalmost sombre. But when she was ther held his head when he drove his pleased, gay, animated she quite took own covered carriage as well as a the palm from the other girls in that buggy. What was the matter with part of the county. Just now her face you? You didn't have a word to fling

Lessie looked up with a weary little Mrs. Ferguson, still sentinel at the pout. 'Why should I? I supposed it

"What is Ellis Dix to a man that

To this triumphant argument Lessie ventured no reply.

That night a snow storm set in-a chest in the barn if he wants to fix three days. Then it was indeed, that Mrs. Ferguson learned how valuable Mrs. Ferguson looked frowningly an acquisition was her temporary fire lighted before there was a glimmer of gray at the window pane. He too, to Cartville!" she was muttering to cared for the stock, and dug paths, and herself in accents of annoyance. mended the roof where it leaked, and "Praps if I hadn't told her she brought water, and made himself adapshouldn't have had anything to say to tive, agreeable, and altogether delightthat Rene Ferguson she'd never have ful. Not the least of his charm for thought of lookin' at him. Like as not the elder woman lay in the fact that 't was just the contrairiness of a girl he listened with sympathetic if silent that made her take up with him. An' interest to her laments as to the afthen, to come home and throw over fection of her daughter for a man upon Ellis Dix like he wasn't worth wipin' whom she-Mrs. Ferguson, had "never

"The trouble between our families? township! Sayin' she'd marry Rene Indeed, it dates so far back I can't -or no one. An' now mopin' away tell you just how it begun. But any-We've had trouble enough with them | branch cheated my husband's grand-Fergusons of Cartville. If they was father out of some land. An' here's blood relations instead of only hap- that girl of mine havin' ears an' eyes penin' to be folks of the same name, for no one since she met Rene Fergutheir family and our'n couldn't have son. What's the matter with you got on worse all these years we been now?" For Lessie, white and frightened-looking stood in the doorway.

"It's Mr. Sands," she faltered. "I Mrs. Ferguson jumped up. "I'll be sorry to have you go over to your "If you need the tool box," she be- uncle, Tom!" she cried. "I hope you'll gan with perfunctory politeness, come over real often to see Lessie an' me!"

The young man rose also. "He isn't my uncle, I have never heard of Hiram Sands. I came here for-for Lessie!" Lessie colored a delicious pink. She summoned all her bravery. She went gold-braided gown was swallowed up and stood beside her lover. "You like

The pleasant kitchen with its tins elistening like silver in the fireshine, went round and round. Mrs. Ferguson stared blankly at the two confronting her. "Rene," she said at length. "Rene Ferguson!'

"Yes, mother. You know he didn't

"You've been mighty good to me!"

cried the young fellow gratefully. The mother-in-law he longed to claim was silent. Rene tried again. "If only Mr. Ferguson were at home

"Persuade me! Dave Ferguson! He wouldn't think of tryin' to! I'd settle matters right now if-if it wasn't for

"But there isn't any feud now! I'm only afraid," with a long sigh, "Lessie "Land's sakes, I know now who that will never be as good cook as her young man is!" The voice of Mrs. mother!" The mother meditated-then

"Guess I'll stir up some of that spice

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Vermont invites inspection of her twelve ex-governors as examples of how conducive the states cold winters how conducive the state's cold winters boys have always been long lived. They don't run to flesh, but they last.

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Among the fost curious election bets I left my prescription intact and, in- on record is one made by John P. Courtney, Democrat, and Harry Wallace, Republican, two plumbers doing of Judge Samuel Maxwell. them, as I said before, to be veritable business in Minneapolis. The agreelife preservers. Before I had finished ment was that the loser must for his the second box I had my first perfect life cast his vote as the winner shall night's rest in years. I gradually im- dictate. Courtney, who was a candiproved. I had determined to use the date for alderman in the recent camten boxes before I would give up, but paign, was the loser and is now enimagine my surprise to find that be- gaged in earnest but so far unavailfore half that quantity was used I was ing efforts to substitute some other Wallace is obdurate and swears that Courtney must in future

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A Difficult Feat.

A New York police commissioner declared the other day that it was easier to hang a man for murder there than to dismiss a policeman. "Last year," he said, "the board had to pay out \$130,000 in back salaries to men who had been reinstated by the

Profits on "Romola."

conquers La Grippe. Your druggist divide the novel into sixteen parts,

cause is thought to be the general retrenchment following the exposition, which has thrown many people out of work. Throughout France however, suicides seems to have been increasing for some time. In the five years ended January 1, 1901, the number of suicides was no less than 27,-

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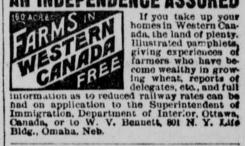
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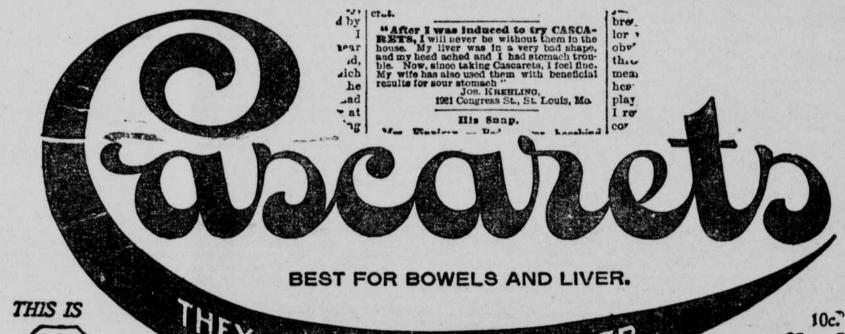
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