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A STROLLING SINGER.

(By Charlotte Becker.) "He sang along the woodland paths When all the world was warm and

The birds half mocked him overhead, The shadows cooled his greenlit way.

"The earth was sweet with growing things.

The vintage promised full and fair; And one with eyes like larkspur buds, And garnered sunlight in her hair,

"Stoed watching by the llex trees, A glow, a welcome in her eyes. He sank, too tired, at her feet And smiled through wistful little sighs.

'Dear love,' he said, 'I cannot live, I shall not see the morrow's sun, But I am fortunate to die While yet my loving is not done.

"'And weep no foolish tears for me, But when the vines with gold are

hung-Think, "Life was very good to him, For he had lived, and loved, and sung." ' "

-Ainslee's Magazine.

A Coincidence and a Reconsideration.

BY J. P. COUGHLIN.

(Copyright, 1901, by Daily Story Pub. Co.) Paul Westover had every reason to congratulate himself upon the success of his new book. The public received it with gratifying approval, and the critics bestowed upon it well-tempered commendation. Being a first-born, however, the critics felt bound to patronize both it and its writer in their customary paternal fashion, and while lauding its other excellent qualities they pointed out and dwelt upon the un-realistic improbabilities of the main incidents in which Mr. West-

over's heroine was centered. That this should be so was only natural: Mr. Westover was ridiculously young to know anything of the impenetrable feminine, and yet he had dared to make "Gertrude Warner" the story of a woman's life, a story of many strange phases, and of curious though incorrect, said the reviewers, insights into the workings of a young girl's mind.

Westover was almost on the point of accepting the critic's dictum. He convinced if not exactly pleased.

musically in upon his semi-absorption; "but there are some things in your book I would like to talk to you about. May I?"

Westover found himself in a quiet corner of the drawing room, anticipating a quarter of an hour's stern crossexamination at the hands of Miss Warren. Somehow the ordeal did not seem to be so terrible as it would have seemed two days previously.

Sitting in his armchair that night Paul Westover meditatively addressed the smoke-clouds from his cigar.

"She is wonderfully pretty-she has exquisitely sweet eyes and what a charming talker, even though we did talk only of the serious things of life. She is indeed an ideal heroine-in real life."

Westover pulled himself up abruptly and laughed a quick, nervous laugh. "Come, this won't do-contemplating such a thing already is making haste too quickly-but that's absurd. Why before I know it I'll be thinking of marriage. And marriage would be the ruin of a young writer. It would-" But then Westover repeated to himself all the familiar arguments against



written."

matrimony until finally he went to bed had fancied that his portrayal of Ger- His encounter with Miss Germyn

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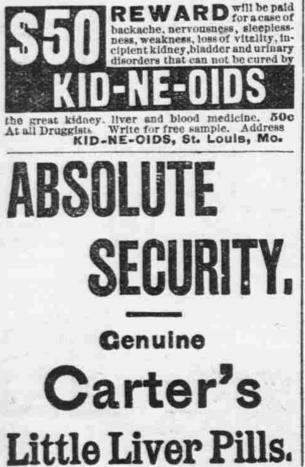
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ust Bear Signature

trude Warner was well and clearly imagined, but after all what could he, a bachelor and impressionable, know of women. The reviewers must be right. Gertrude Warner was falsely drawn. But there was at least one person

who did not think with the reviewers. The newly-fledged author received in his mail from his publishers a long letter that was truly startling to his self possession. Its full length may not be given here but its gist is contained in a couple of paragraphs.

"You are evidently very intimately acquainted with the story of the darkest passages in my life, but surely it should be made public so faithfully and so callously. I would like to think that your story was purely a coincidence and evolved entirely from your own imagination, but the details up to are so carefully true to fact that I that some unworthy recipient of my confidence has in an idle moment betrayed my unhappy history.

"Doubtless you will admit that I have at least the right of asking an explanation, the more especially, seeing that you have even given to your novel a title so like the name borne by her who asks it.

"GERMYN WARREN." Westover finished the reading of this letter with a rue expression. He whistled softly to himself and looked blankly at the wall in an endeavor to collect his thoughts and adequately consider the situation presented to him. In a moment the humorous aspect of the affair dawned upon him and

he laughed quizzically.

ing," he murmured aloud; "is to run across some hysterical woman who finds your book a mirror of her past.



Warren, and the train of thought it prompted may have had something to do with Mr. Westover's departure for the west, but the literary journals announced his trip as taken for the purpose of acquiring local color for a new novel.

During the two years that followed Paul Westover's literary output served to increase considerably his growing reputation. He returned to New York and prepared to settle down comfortably to meet the demands made upon him by his publishers. The novel, to prepare which he left New York, was a pronounced success, and though was unnecessary that the details his old friends, the critics, did not appear to notice it, Paul himself was conscious of a certain resemblance in type between his new heroine and his old, that is to say Miss Germyn Warren. He tried to reason that this new the denouement, in every particular, heroine was simply but a development of the Gertrude Warner of his have no other course than to believe first book, and thus he tried to dispel his lingering fears that he had drawn upon Miss Warren, his acquaintance of a single evening.

Again in his career Mr. Paul Westover had an encounter which caused him to become as discomposed and nervous as he had been at his first meeting with the coincidental heroine of his first book.

It was at a literary reception. "Permit me, Miss Warren, to introduce to you Mr. Paul Westover-you have, no doubt read his clever books." "Yes, everything Mr. Westover has written," said Germyn Warren, as she extended her hand to Faul, who stood bowing and blushing like a schoolboy. Then with a smile of gentle mischief playing around her lips as they were "One of the delights of novel-writ- left alone she continued: And I cannot think that Mr. Westover has for-

gotten me since some of my friends would have it I am portrayed rather faithfully in your most recent novel and even in several of your magazine stories."

Westover was plainly surprised at this frank challenge, and for the second time in his life he found himself keenly observing the heroine of his fiction. He noticed the same clear, blue eves and wondered at how closely he had remembered them all this time. He found himself on terms of old acquaintanceship with this magnetic little girl, for she was only a girl. For a moment until the presumption of the thing struck him he felt a tinge of regret being taken away from New York for so long. How that evening's reception passed he never knew. He had a very definite notion that he had spent by far the greater part of the evening in the society of Miss Warren.

That night in the seculsion of his chambers, over his cigar, he came not



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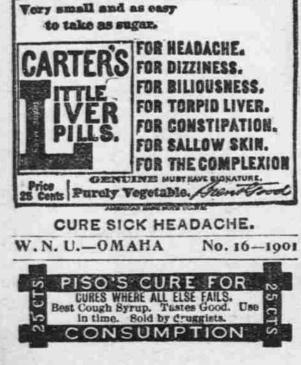
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A startling letter.

If I am expected to reply to all such | er all: my hands will be full. Yet what a splendid answer to the critics.

His better and more sympathetic nature, however, for as yet he was not experienced enough to be callous, asserted itself, and he penned a duly consolatory letter to Miss Germyn Warren.

A week later Paul Westover had an encounter that caused him considerable embarrassment.

"Mr. Westover, our youngest novelist, Miss Warren."

The serenity and self-containedness of the frail pretty girl before him was in striking contrast to the blushing stammering awkwardness of the young author. The clear blue eyes, however, put him at his ease quickly and he found himself lost in amazement at he had pictured her.

"Your letter-I suppose I may speak | ered the proposals, he asked: "Who, of it-was very kind," her voice broke | then, is this M. Tennyson?"

unwillingly to the conclusion that aft-

"What is to be is to be, and it seems to me that the fates have ordained that I should create a heroine for myself. Either I am in love or am drifting relentlessly towards that happy state of mind. Of course marriage is the to-be-expected outcome of love, and for a young man struggling for fame and fortune a sympathetic wife is a great helper, a constant incentive-" and thus he proceeded to adapt his views to the altered state of his circumstances.

"Who Is This Tennyson?"

When Tennyson was nearing 60 years of age, and his fame might fairly be assumed to be world-wide, Edward Moxon, the publisher, decided to how different the girl before him was approach Gustave Dore and commisfrom the morbid woman with a past sion him to illustrate the "Idylls of the King." After Dore had consid-

