

Mrs. Livingstone, appearing at the door, all. 1 mean that my daughters shall am at counterplotting. and 'Lena, gracefully excusing herself, learn everything, so that their husbands So, slipping quietly out of the house, he left the room, while Mr. Graham com- will find in them every necessary qualifi- went in quest of his servant, Bill, telling menced pacing the floor in a slow, ab- cation." stracted manner, ever and anon wiping "Then you confidently expect them to put in the lower stable instead of the one

away the beaded drops which stood thick- catch husbands sometime or other," said where she was usually kept; and then in ly on his forehead. Meantime, 'Lena, having learned for looked very interesting, while Anna re- said he, do you have her at the door for charge.

what she was wanted, went without a word torted, "Of course we shall. I wouldn't one of the young ladies to ride. to the kitchen, though her proud nature be an old maid for the world-l'd run Yes, marster, answered Bill, looking Office for Agriculture, rebelled, and it was with great difficulty away first !"

she could force down the bitter spirit which she felt rising within her. Had her aunt or Carrie shared her labors, or had the form the table. For some time past, that if Bill would get the pony the former asked instead of commanded Mrs. Nichols had walked with a cane, stabled before old Cæsar, who had gone her fo go, she would have done it willing- and was limping even then. Observing to Versailles, should return, he would ly. But now in quite a peturbed state of this, Mrs. Graham, with his usual gal- give him ten cents.

mind she bent over pastry and pudding, lantry, offered her his arm, which she Bill needed no other inducement than scarcely knowing which was which, until a willingly accepted, casting a look of tri the promise of money, and without stoppleasant voice at her side made her start, and looking up she saw Anna who had parently was not so well pleased. So headed, upon the run, returning in the just returned from her walk, and who on learning how matters stood, declared her that she did not often venture into the that

"If there's anything I like, it's being its mistress, but on this occasion, Mr. All right, said John Jr., tossing him the silver. And now remember to keep your in a muss," said she, and throwing aside Graham led her in there as a matter of tongue between your teeth.

her leghorn flat, pinning up her sleeves, course, and placing her upon the sofa, and fastening back her curls in imitation seated himself by her side, and commenc- young master to think of tattling about Queen Street, of 'Lena, she was soon up to her elbows ed questioning her concerning her former something which to him seemed of no in cooking-her dress literally covered home and history. Never in her life had consequence whatever, and he walked off, with flour, eggs, and cream, and her face Mrs. Nichols felt more communicative, eyeing his dime, and wishing he could as red as the currant jelly which Hagar and never before had she so attentive a earn one so easily every day. brought from the china closet. "There's listener. Particularly did he hang upon Meantime John Jr. sought out 'Lena, to

a pie fit for a queen or Lady Graham every word, when she told him of her whom he said, and so you are going to either," said she, depositing in the huge Helena, of her exceeding beauty, her un- ride to-morrow morning? oven her first attempt in the pie line. But alas! Malcolm Everett's words of "Rivers-Rivers," said he, "what kind John, looking very wise, replied, that

love spoken beneath the wide spreading of a looking man was he?" sycamore were still ringing in Ann's "The Lord only knows—I never see tions, adding, that as he supposed she ears, so 't was no wonder she salted the him," returned Mrs. Nichols. "But this would of course want Fleetfoot, he had one noticed the mistake, and when the villain, and if an old woman's curses can in the morning. pie was done, both 'Lena and Hagar do him any harm, he's had mine a plenty Much obliged answered 'Lena. I was

praised its white, uncurdled appearance. of times." pertaining to the dinner was in readiness, may have repented of the great wrong but now I'll say nothing to him about it. but 'Lena, knowing how flushed and heat- done to your daughter." distaste of high colors, announced her de- sense don't he hunt up her child, and denly appeared, asking if he had received termination of not appearing at the table. own her - he needn't be ashamed of any orders to go for Fleetfoot.

"I shall see that grandma is nicely 'Leny." dressed," said she, "and you must look "Very true," answered Mr. Graham. began to scowl. No, miss, and Lord after her a little, for I shall not come "No one need be ashamed of her. I knows I don't want to tote clar off to the down.

So saying she ran up to her room where But as I was saying, perhaps this Rivers You needn't, either, and if any one tells she found Mrs. Nichols in a great state of has married a second time, keeping his you to go don't you do it, returned Mrs. fermentation to know "who was below, and what the doin's was. I should of gone is so proud and high-spirited that now, Somebody's playin' possum, that's sarwould be madder'n a hornet." her for fear of what might follow."

'Lena commended her discretion in re- "Then she's a good-for-nothing, stuck- body's playin' possum, but they don't maining where she was, and then inform- up thing, and he's a cowardly puppy! catch this child leakin'. ing her that Mr. Bellmont's father and That's my opinion on 'em, and I'll tell Have you told him? whispered Carrie, mother were there, she proceeded to 'em so, if ever I see 'em !'' exclaimed Mrs. meeting her mother in the hall. make some alterations in her dress. The Nichols, her wrath waxing warmer and Mrs. Livingstone nodded, adding in an handsome black silk and neat lace cap, warmer toward the destroyer of her undertone, that she presumed the ride both the Christmas gift of John Jr., were daughter.

donned, and then, staff in hand, the old Pausing for breath, she helped herself to Cæsar about the pony.

favorite topic-Nancy Scovandyke ! "Nancy's as good any day as Miss emboldened the old lady to offer it to it as if it had been a tour to Europe, and grandma's mental comment, as the last upon the end of the sofa, sat talking to left behind.

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mentioned lady, rustling in a heavy bro- Carrie, who, on a low stool at her feet, cade and loaded down with jewelry, took was looking up into her face as if in perher place at the table.

introduction, which her husband, through Mrs. Graham cast a deprecating glance fear of her, perhaps, failed to give. But toward Carrie, who muttered, "How disnot so with John Jr. To be sure, he gusting! But for pa's sake we tolerate cared not a fig, on his grandmother's ac- it." count, whether she were introduced or Here 'Lena entered the parlor, neatly not, for he well knew she would not hesi- dressed, and looking fresh and blooming tate to make their acquaintance; but as a rose. There was no vacant seat knowing how it would annoy his mother except one between Durward and John

"My grandmother, Mrs. Nichols-Mr. she accepted. A peculiar smile flitted and Mrs. Graham."

wife asked "if anything stung him."

indicating that 'twas not worth while to left the honse, and from the window mind it.

"Got stung, have you?" said Mrs. Nichols. "Mebby 'twas a bumble-bee- the sound of their voices increased, and seems 's ef I smelt one; but like enough as 'Lena's clear, musical laugh rang out it's the scent on Car'line's handkercher." above the rest, Mrs. Graham and Carrie Mrs. Graham frowned majestically, but looked out just in time to see Durward it was entirely lost on grandma, who, after holding the struggling girl, while John Jr. a time, forgetful of 'Lena's caution, said, claimed the reward of his having thrown

"Yes, madam, Virginia is my native state," returned Mrs. Graham, clipping off each word as if it were burning her tongue.

"Anywheres near Richmond ?" continued Mrs. Nichols.

"I was born in Richmond, madam." "Law, now ! who knows but you're well acquainted with Nancy Scovandyke's kin.

Mrs. Graham turned as red as the cranberry sauce upon her plate, as she replied, "I've not the honor of knowing either Miss Scovandyke or any of her relatives.'

"Wall, she's a smart, likely gal, or woman I s'pose you'd call her, bein' she's just the age of my son."

Here Mrs. Nichols, suddenly remembering 'Lena's charge, stopped, but John Jr. who loved to see the fun go on, started her again, by asking what relatives Miss Scovandyke had in Virginia.

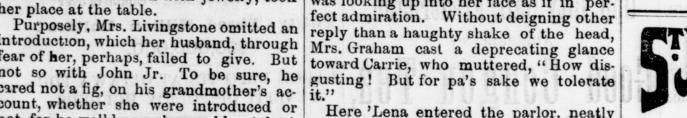
"'Leny told me not to mention Nancy, but bein' you've asked a civil question, John Jr.'s straight-forward way of speak-

"Which would be Miss Nancy's greataunt," interrupted John Jr.

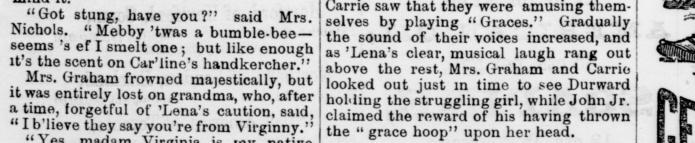
"Bless the boy," returned the old "Bless the boy," returned the old high; and I'm glad of it, for Everett is a Fredericton Leather Company though she was six years and two months 'Lena, too, united in praising her teachyounger'n Nancy's mother. Wall, as I er, until Durward felt certain that she was sayin', she went off to Virginny to had never entertained for him any feeling teach music. She was prouder'n Lucifer, stronger than that of friendship; and as and after a spell she married a souther. to her flirting seriously with Captain ner, rich as a Jew, and then she never Atherton, the idea was too preposterous than 's ef they hadn't been. But the poor exonerated from these charges, it was critter didn't live long to enjoy it, for strange how fast 'Lena rose in his estimawhen her first baby was born, she died. | tion, and when John Jr., with a loud 'Twas a little girl, but her folks in Mas- yawn, asked if they did not wish he would sachusetts have never heard a word leave them alone, more in earnest than in whether she's dead or alive. Joel Slocum fun Durward replied, "Yes, yes, do."

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that's Nancy's nephew, says he means to "I reckon I will," said John, shaking T. L. SIMMONS. P. S.-Business attended to at once, and re-T. L. S. Manager. sold low. state of the digestive apparatus. go down there some day, and look her down his tight pants, and pulling at his **Opposite County Court House**, JAMES S. NEILL September 8, 1881 TO LET. As a Dinner Pill they have no equal. turns made promptly. up, but I wouldn't bother with 'em, for long coat sleeves. "I never want any-Oct. 6 Queen St., Fredericton. that side of the house always did feel big, body round when I'm with Nellie Doug-Fredericton, Oct. 6-3m While gentle in their action, these PILLS NAILS. NAILS. July 29, 1880. Waverly House, and above Nancy's folks, thinkin' Nancy's lass." are the most thorough and searching cathar-TWO Tenement Houses at west end of Queen Street. Rent moderate. Revolvers! Revolvers!! mother married beneath her." tic that can be employed, and never give So saying, he walked off, leaving Dur-ACENTS Mr. Graham must have enjoyed her dinner very much, for during grandma's them felt at all sorry, was proved by the 75 K EGS Cut Nails; 2 Boxes Cut Tacks; 75 K EGS Cut Nails; 2 Boxes Cut Tacks;pain unless the bowels are inflamed, and then their influence is healing. They stimu-Apply to REGENT STREET, dinner very much, for during grandma's them felt at all sorry, was proved by the JUST received, one case of Revolvers and Cartridges. late the appetite and digestive organs; they operate to purify and enrich the blood, and impart renewed health and vigor to the BECKWITH & JORDAN. recital she applied herself assiduously to length of time which they remained to-Coat Hooks; FREDERICTON, N. B. 1 case Wrought Iron Butt Hinges; City Hall, F'ton. Z. R. EVERETT. her plate, never once looking up, while gether, for when more than an hour after-FOR the best selling articles out. Agents make from \$2.50 to \$5.00 per day at home. March 10.1881.-tf. 2 rolls Leather Belting; her face and neck were literally spotted, ward Mrs, Graham proposed to Carrie to whole system. J. B. GRIEVES, Proprietor. Samples by mail for 30 cts, or 4 new articles for \$1.00 doz. Narrow Axes; 1 case Copper Rivets and Burrs; either with heat, excitement, or anger. take a turn in the garden, she found the THIS PAPER MAY BE FOUND ON FILE AT GEO. P. ROWELL & CO'S Stove Pipe ! Prepared by Dr. J. C. Ayer & Co., Stove Pipe !! 2 cases Apple Parers; and Steamboat Landing. Terms moderate. Dominion General Agency Company, These spots at last attracted Mrs. Nichols' young couple still in the arbor, so wholly 2 cases General Hardware. Just to Hand. Practical and Analytical Chemists, attention, eavsing her to ask the lady "if engrossed that they neither saw nor heard Newspaper Advertising Bureau (10 SPRUCE R. CHESTNUT & SONS. Stabling and yard accommodation of the very TUST received, and for sale low by STREET), WHERE AD-VERTISING CONTRACTS NEW YORK, may be made for it in NEW YORK. she warn't pestered with erysipelas." her until she stood before them. Lowell, Mass. 214 St. James St., Montreal, P. Q. Fredericton, Nov. 3 best. SOLD BY ALL DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE. Z. R. EVERETT,



and Carrie, he called out, in a loud tone, Jr., which, at the invitation of the latter, over Carrie's face, which was noticed by . Mr. Graham started so quickly that his Mrs. Graham, and attributed to the right cause. Ere long Durward, John Jr., "Yes-no," said he, at the same time 'Lena, and Anna, who had joined them, Carrie saw that they were amusing them-



Inexpressibly shocked, the precise Mrs. Graham asked, "What kind of a girl is your cousin ;" to which Carrie replied, "you have a fair sample of her," at the same time nodding toward 'Lena, who was unmercifully pulling John Jr's ears as a reward for his presumption.

"Rather hoydenish, I should think," returned Mrs. Graham, secretly hoping Durward would not become enamored of

At length the party left the yard, and repairing to the garden, sat down in one of the arbor bridges, where they were joined by Malcolm Everett, who naturally, and as a matter of course, appropriated Anna to himself. Durward observed this, and when he saw them walk away together, while 'Lena, appeared wholly unconcerned, he began to think that possibly Mrs. Livingstone was mistaken when she hinted of an engagement between

Better'n forty years ago Nancy's mother's said, "Your sister and Mr. Everett evidently prefer each other's society to ours. "Oh, yes," answered John. "I saw

that years ago, when Anna wasn't knee-

took no more notice of her folks to hum, to be harbored for a single moment. Once for which the HIGHEST MARKET PRICES will be