

THE WORLD OF BOOKS.

The following article of F. J. S. will give those who have not read Beatrice some idea of the plot of one of Rider Haggard's latest novels.

Rider Haggard's "Beatrice."

The majority of H. Rider Haggard's readers have been a little disappointed with some of his latter productions, and not without reason, for certainly neither Maive's Revenge or Colonel Quaritch can be favorably compared with some of his earlier works.

The tale opens with a pen picture of Beatrice Granger. Of course she is very beautiful, one could not believe otherwise after reading her story.

Beatrice already has a lover, Owen Davies, the richest man in that part of Wales; but she avoids him as much as possible.

Bingham spends a few happy weeks at the vicarage, and when he goes back to London he unconsciously takes Beatrice's heart with him.

Then Beatrice gives up all hope. She goes to London to see her lover's face once more, enters the House of Commons, hears him make the best speech he has ever made.

Meanwhile, Owen Davies proposes to Beatrice, and Elizabeth tells her father and Davies that Beatrice is Bingham's mistress, and threatens the exposure of the story to the London press.

Next, her canoe, and she is away on the stormy sea. "If she could not live for him, she could die for him." She paddles out farther and farther, the canoe is swamped, and then— "Farewell to Beatrice. . . and all her love and sin."

She is a Fighter, Too. Bacon—I understand your wife comes from a fighting family? Egbert—Yes. "Her grandfather was in the Revolutionary war, was he not?"

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WHAT MR. SPENCER SAYS.

The Author of "A Hundred Years to Come," Tells When He Wrote the Poem.

In a letter which I received from William Cullen Bryant, a good many years ago, he said it was often remarked by his friend, the late Fitz Green Halleck, that to be quoted was to be famous.

The melancholy days are come, the saddest of the year, Of wailing winds, and naked woods, and meadows brown and sere;

In November, 1888, an Albert County "poet" had the effrontery to publish a travesty on this beautiful poem in the Hillsboro Observer.

Now hear what the Albert County poet wrote in 1888. I have a copy of the Observer in which the lines were originally published:

But now and then there comes a day That's cheery, fine and warm, To call the coons and squirrels away From out their winter home.

The lines "A Hundred Years to Come," were written when I was a student in Castleton, Vt., Seminary, 1844-48. They were read at "commencement," and as reporters were present, immediately found their way into the papers.

H. L. SPENCER.

POEMS WRITTEN FOR "PROGRESS."

Peace, Be Still. On stormy Lake, He sleeps in peace, Unmoved by danger on the wave, Trusts and relies upon the grace, Of power Divine, to keep, to save.

Jesus, in mercy, give us grace, To seek thee aid, when storms prevail, And in Thy goodness, grant us peace, In Heaven, where storms cannot assail.

A Sonnet. A tearful woman stood beside the shore, And gazed without cessation on the sea; "Dear God," she cries, "is it that never more My best beloved shall come back to me?"

Evening Rain in May. Sudden the fields, with hollows rankly green; Great drops still linger on the dark'ning pane; And strenuous robins prophesying rain Pipe from the trees that o'er my window lean:

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