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A Romance of the Jerseys, 1779. By BRET HARTE.

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"He will find, good friend Blossom," said the baron with the soft, quiet gravity of his eyes, "Beauty, Grace, Accomplishment, and—oh—Santa Maria, what shall I say?" He turned appealingly to the count.

"Truly, Barlow! all in the fair lady of these countries. Ah, believe me, honest friend Blossom, there is no moor here in these than in those!"

So much of this speech was addressed to Mistress Thankful that she had to show at least one dimple in reply, albeit her brows were slightly furrowed, and she turned upon the speaker her honest, questioning eyes.

"And then the Gen. Washington has been kind enough to offer his protection," added the count.

"Any fool—any one," supplemented Thankful hastily, with a slight blush—"may have the general's pass, say, and his good word. But what of Miss Prudence Bookstaver—she that has a sweet heart in Kayphasian's brigade, ay—I warrant a Hessian, but of genteel blood, as Mistress Prudence has often told me, and look you, all her letters stopped by the general, ay, I warrant, read by my lady Washington, too, as if 'twere her father's! And she is a great one against congress. Riddle me that, now!"

"'Tis but prudence, lass," said Blossom, frowning on the girl. "'Tis that she might disclose some movement of the army, tending to the coast, ay?"

"And why should she not try to save her lad from capture or ambush, such as befel the Hessian commissary with the provisions that you?"

"An ostensible fatherly concern, managed to pinch Mistress Thankful sharply. 'Hush, lass,' he said with simulated playfulness, 'your tongue clucks like the Whippoorwill. My daughter has small concerns—the manner of womenfolk—in politics,' he explained to his guests. 'These dangerous days have given her sore affliction by way of parting comrades of her childhood, and others whom she has much affected. It has in some sort soured her.'"

Mr. Blossom would have recalled this speech as soon as he escaped his own, and should lead to a revelation from the truthful Mistress Thankful of her relations with the Continental captain. But to his astonishment, as he added, "My own, she showed nothing of that disposition, but had exhibited a few moments before. On the contrary, she blushed slightly, and said nothing."

And then the conversation changed—upon the weather, the hard winter, the prospects of the cause, a criticism upon the commander-in-chief's management of the army, and the count, and Mr. Blossom, and Mrs. Blossom and the count; characterized, if hardly need say, by that positiveness of opinion that distinguishes the untutored mind of another room, it so chanced that Mistress Thankful and the baron were talking about themselves; the assembly, both of whom was present in the room, and whether Gen. Washington's attentions to Mistress Thankful were only perfunctory gallantry, or what, and if Lady Washington's were really genuine, and if they were really in love with Lady W., or whether his attentions were only the zeal of a subaltern in the midst of which a sudden glow of womanly pride, and Mr. Blossom, going to the front door, came back with the announcement that it was snowing heavily.

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When Mr. Blossom knocked at his daughter's door the next morning it opened upon her completely dressed, but without so much as a word, and she must be told, a little early.

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gotten in envy and jealousy, keeps me here a prisoner. Last night I was basely arrested by the major and brought to the door. Mistress Thankful, disdaining the offer of her maid, sprang to the saddle. The major still held the reins. "One moment," she said, with suppressed passion. "One moment, I beg."

"His lance still held her bridle rein. The mare reared, nearly upsetting her. Crispin with rage and mortification, she raised her riding whip and laid it smartly over the face of the man before her. He raised his face calm and colorless, but for a red line extending from his eyebrow to his chin, and said quietly:

"I had no desire to detain you. I only wished to say that when you see Gen. Washington I know you will be just enough to tell him that Maj. Van Zandt knew nothing of your movements, or even your presence here, and that you are a gentleman, and that since then he has treated you as became an officer and a gentleman."

"To even as he spoke she was gone. At the moment that her fluttering skirt swept in a furious gallop down the hill-side, the major turned and re-entered the house. The few lounging troopers who were present on the scene pressed forward to see the actual progress of the horse in the last half hour's rapid ride was so subdued by the actual presence of the man she had come to see, that she had to keep her eyes from the white face and blazing eyes of her officer as he strode by her. Nevertheless, when the door closed behind him, contemporary criticism broke out.

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"Thankful Blossom" repeated the general interrogatively.

"You have the advantage, besides the better memory of a younger man, colonel," said Washington, with a playful smile that slightly reddened the cheek on his aide-camp's face. "I think I have heard of this phenomenon. By all means, admit her—and her escort."

"Then the more reason why we should be polite," returned Washington, for the first time altering his easy posture, rising to his feet, and holding out his hands before him. "We must not neglect her waiting. Give her access, my dear colonel, at once, and even as she came—alone."

"The aide-camp bowed and withdrew. In another moment the half opened door swung wide to Mistress Thankful Blossom.

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SPECIAL LEGISLATIVE SESSION, DE RAILROAD CROSSINGS.

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The governor replied that to his mind the calling of an extra session of the legislature was a matter of such gravity that the question should be maturely and not hastily considered, and therefore he could not at the moment say what he would do.

The following are the petitioners: To his Excellency, P. C. LOUNSBURY, Governor of Connecticut.

Within the limits of the borough, which is traversed north and south by the Danbury and Norwich division of the Housatonic system of railroads, there are six regular grade crossings, all of which are over ancient highways, three of which are much travelled.

For the reasons given by the representatives of nearly one half the population of the State, showing why a special session should be called, and called as early as possible, and why it would be respectfully but earnestly ask your careful and thoughtful consideration of the accompanying reports.

Very speaking for the town of Norwich only, and believing that the rights of citizens are thereby and wantonly infringed under the present status of the State relating to grade crossings, in that they are thereby to be taxed to pay expenses not incurred by them, or with their consent to their advantage, and believing furthermore that these laws give to railroad corporations in conjunction with the Board of Railroad Commissioners, arbitrary and unconstitutional powers, we, the selectmen of this town representing the well known wish of the people, not only earnestly urge but entreat that you, the Executive of this State, convene the legislature in special session for the consideration of this subject at the earliest possible date.

To the Mayor and Common Council of the City of South Norwalk: The undersigned, residents of this city respectfully request your honorable body to cause a petition to be at once transmitted to his Excellency P. C. LOUNSBURY, Governor of Connecticut, for the purpose of calling a special session of the legislature to repeal all present laws appertaining any part of the expense of changing grade crossings of railroads in the state.

The town of Stamford has instructed its selectmen to oppose the bill for the purpose of taxing any part of the cost of changing grade crossings, in that town.

The public authorities of Norwich express the earnest hope that every town in the State will take similar action in pressing upon the Governor the importance of calling an immediate extra session of our legislature.

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At the regular annual meeting of the Town of Fairfield, in the county of Fairfield and State of Connecticut, held pursuant to the act of the General Assembly, the following resolutions were adopted, to wit: That the Board of Railroad Commissioners be requested to act only upon the petition of such crossings.

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MIS. W. FAWCETT. Takes this opportunity of informing the ladies of Norwalk and vicinity that her OPENING of Trimmed Hats and Bonnets will take place on Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, October 12, 13 and 14. No. 3 Water Street, Norwalk. FALL SEASON, 1887.

Special Opening of Fall and Winter Millinery. Misses St. John, 33 Main Street, Norwalk. Deafness Can't be Cured. By local applications they can not reach the diseased portion of the ear.

The Y. M. C. A. Convention. The twenty-second annual convention of the Young Men's Christian Association of Connecticut will be held at Norwich, October 13-16, Thursday afternoon, Rev. C. A. Northup, of Norwich will deliver an address, and in the evening Rev. David Gregg, of Boston, will speak.

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THE SPARROW. The American Government has issued reports on the subject of the English Sparrow in the United States, written by Dr. C. Hart Merriam, ornithologist in the Department of Agriculture. In this it is declared that this bird "is a curse of such violence that it ought to be systematically exterminated from the country."

Next, laws should be enacted legalizing the killing of the sparrow at all seasons of the year, and the destruction of its nests, eggs, and young. "The enactment of laws making it a misdemeanor, punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, to intentionally give food and shelter to the sparrow, except to its ultimate destruction."

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THE CHAUTAQUA circle will hold its first meeting Wednesday evening, Oct. 12th in the parlors of the Congregational church.

The South Norwalk fire alarm was sounded early Tuesday morning, and the department called out by reason of dense volumes of smoke issuing from the chimney on Solman's lat factory.

Monday evening the engine and fender of the train which leaves here at 8.35, backed into the pit of the turntable at Stamford depot.

The Western Union Telegraph Co. having "gobbled up" the B. & O. telegraph lines, has called a meeting of its stockholders on the 28th inst., to vote on the ratification of the contract.

Judge Asa B. Woodward, returned from his visit to Colorado on Saturday, and reports the great West and that great grand baby as immense.

Mr. Wright Huntington who so ably took the part of Louis Perreault, in "The Penman," Monday night, is a nephew of the millionaire C. P. Huntington, and was a scholar at Dr. Fitch's Hillside school, with the late deceased proprietor of the GAZETTE, and between whom the warmest affection existed.

All persons indebted to the late firm of Raymond & Nickerson, will please call at the office of Levi Warner and settle their accounts on or before the 20th day of Oct., 1887, and all claims remaining unpaid after that date will be placed in the hands of an Attorney for collection.

The public good has in no way been advanced by the defeat of republican Burgess, Wm. H. Smith, and the election of his democratic opponent, Philo W. Bates, and that was done by disgruntled republican voters does not make Mr. Smith's defeat any the more comfortable to his supporters.

Miss Fanny Dunham of New Jersey is visiting Miss Clara Sellock on East Avenue.

Mr. Thornton Smith of New York, was the guest of Mr. LeGrand Betts over Sunday.

Our steambath, the City of Albany, discontinues her trips next Saturday, Oct. 16th.

It is reported that one of Norwalk's fairest daughters will be married this winter.

Yan Chow Lee, the Connecticut Chinaman who lately got married, has now become an attorney.

Dr. Schwab, the oculist, will be at the Norwalk Hotel, Thursday and Friday of this week.

To-morrow Portchester will celebrate semi-centennial of change of name from "Sawpita."

Ten divorces were granted by Judge Andrews yesterday in the superior court at New Haven.

Wm. R. Lockwood, has returned from a trip to Washington, Harper's Ferry and Bolivar Heights.

Nuts are ripe, and the children and squirrels are having a happy time afield and in the woods.

"Boquet George," dealer in a faro bank in Bridgeport, has run away with \$900 of his employer's money.

Mr. Jennings of Southport has moved into the house on East Avenue formerly occupied by Mrs. Platt.

Hon. J. W. Hyatt and family, have been at home for several days but expect to return to Washington to-day.

Rev. J. M. Campbell a venerable divine, formerly of Dunderland, Scotland, is the guest of Rev. Col. Anderson.

The New York Giants play the Norwalks on the Woodward avenue grounds South Norwalk, this afternoon.

The regular monthly meeting of Pioneer hook and ladder company will be held on Thursday evening of this week.

Mrs. O. E. Wilson has had a severe attack of her old enemy lay-fever, since her return home from Bethlehem.

Miss Sally S. Betts, who is a pupil of Dr. Mason of New York, will give lessons on the Piano, the coming winter.

Mr. S. B. Bissell and Mr. Edward Bissell attended the meeting of the A. B. C. F. M. at Springfield last week.

The officers of George Washington Lodge, F. and A. M. of Ansonia, visited St. John's Lodge, Thursday evening.

Miss Libbie, daughter of President F. St. John Lockwood, is to attend boarding school in New York city this coming winter.

A delegation of gypsies passed through town yesterday. They looked down from their covered vans with sovereign contempt upon their first cousins, our "mobile Romans" in the sewer trenches.

Ship Builder Webb, of New Rochelle, is getting ready to launch a new center-board yacht for Mr. Frank Burrill, she is named the "Amateur," and is guaranteed to out sail anything belonging to the Cedar Point Yacht Club.

The Lincoln Life in the forthcoming November "Century" has to do with the period after Lincoln's election, and before his inauguration. This installment will give to the world for the first time these letters to President Lincoln.

There are also important letters from W. H. Seward, and interesting letters and extracts from letters by Horace Greeley, E. B. Washburne, Simon Cameron, General Scott, Thaddeus Wood, Thomas A. C. Bryant, and John A. Dix.

Dr. Eggleston's novel, "The Graysons," will begin in the November "Century," as well as Mr. Cable's three-part story, "Au Large." The number will contain also a short story by William Henry Bishop, "A Little Dinner."

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A letter from Professor Johnson gives a very encouraging account of his improved health.

The rumor is afloat that Mr. "Back" Lockwood is to wear a beautiful Bridgport girl.

Andrew V. Smith, Esq., of San Francisco, is visiting his sister, Mrs. Cox, at Rolon Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis, of Washington, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Cox, Noroton Hill.

Miss Zolnreita Pease, of Brooklyn, has been visiting her school friend, Miss Belden, on the coast.

Tax Collector George B. St. John, after having "made his cause and election sure," departed for Saratoga.

It is reported that Mr. John Beatty has rented the Sturges cottage, on Union Park, for his winter residence.

Russoc, Camp Co., has a great star shoe store people made far the best show in their line of goods at the Danbury fair.

It is said that our worthy and popular lumber merchant, Mr. Horace Hubbard, soon to unite his fortune for life with Miss Henrietta Mallory, of Corpus Christi, has been visiting temporarily at the office of four weeks with friends in Philadelphia.

The great rocks tumbled into the big excavation in front of the depot, at South Norwalk, are for a signal tower and a monster water tank.

The yachts Volunteer and Grayling were passed on the steamer City of Albany Wednesday, who greeted them with a becoming salute.

The first bag of the season was brought into Lockwood's on Tuesday evening, containing ten quail, two woodcock and one partridge.

The Dairy-Maids festival in Music Hall Wednesday evening was a "swell" affair, and must have netted a handsome sum for the new Congregational church.

Smith Bros., shoe dealers, are making a special inducement to buyers at their store. A gold watch is to be given the person who guesses nearest the number of seeds in a big squash displayed in their window.

A series of five entertainments have been arranged for the coming week at the M. to be given from Nov. 1st to 5th, inclusive. Tickets for the series are \$1. each, and are meeting with ready sale.

There can be no doubt that under this management the success of the undertaking will be great.

On Wednesday and Thursday, 29th and 30th inst., the New Milford Driving Club will hold their first meeting on Connetta Park in that town. There will be four races; the first day will be devoted to the 2:30 and 2:45 classes, with purses of \$100 each; the second day to the 2:40 class and free for all, purses \$100 and \$100 respectively. Entries close on the 24th, and should be addressed to George F. Pixley, secretary, ("Good Elk.")

The Misses St. John, the popular main street milliners, will have their fall millinery opening on Wednesday and Thursday. These festive events have the same interest and excitement for the ladies that the election has for the men, and indeed many of the most horrid lords of creation who stop and take a peep in at the show windows, lost in admiration of the very things they affect to ridicule.

The display at the Misses St. John at their next week's opening will be finer than ever before, and there is sure to be a busy time at their neat and tasty store.

Rev. Col. Anderson attended a stated meeting of the Commandery of the state of New York, of the military order of the Loyal Legion at Delmonico's on Fifth avenue, New York Wednesday evening.

The principal business was the investiture of officers elected last May. Col. Anderson was instituted as chaplain, in which capacity he had served for several terms. A number of distinguished military men were present, including Gen. Sherman, the Secretary of War, Adjutant General Drum, and the Spanish and Danish officers who witnessed the dynamite gun experiments at Sandy Hook.

A pleasant and felicitous affair was the happy marriage of Miss Lizzie R. Meeker to Mr. George C. Colburn, which occurred at the residence of the bride's parents on Westport avenue Thursday evening at 6:30 o'clock. A select number of invited guests were present to witness the ceremony, which was performed by Rev. Dr. Clark, Miss Anna Olmsted officiating as bridesmaid, and Mr. H. F. Colburn as groomsmen.

After the ceremony a collation was served, and at 8 o'clock the party were driven to the South Norwalk depot where they embarked on the 8:24 train for New York. They will spend a week in Philadelphia, and on returning will take up their residence on Westport avenue, where the bridegroom has a house all furnished, and ready for occupation.

The Journal gives the particulars of the terrible fate of Brakenham Waterbury at East Norwalk as follows: Wm. Waterbury, being about 22 years old, had a brakenham on the Consolidated, road fell from the cars of the freight train arriving here about 9:30 p. m. Tuesday night, near the crossing beyond the railroad bridge in East Norwalk. He was missed from the train by the other brakemen, who at once set out to search for him. They found Waterbury terribly mangled, his bowels protruding and his right leg and right arm almost cut off. The Boston express coming along, was signalled to stop, and took the body to this depot. Waterbury expired before reaching the depot, and the remains were taken to undertaker Gregory, where they await the arrival of the father of the deceased, who lives at west 48th street, New York city.

The marriage of Miss Jessie T. Solleck to Mr. William E. Duane was solemnized at 2:30 on Wednesday afternoon at the residence of the bride's father, Captain Lindsell on Main Street, South Norwalk, by the Rev. Colonel Anderson. The ceremony was performed in the presence of a small party composed only of the relatives of the contracting parties and was a quiet and modest affair owing to the recent death of the bride's mother.

The bride pair took the 4:30 train for New York for a tour of ten days or two weeks duration, and will visit friends in Philadelphia and Baltimore. On their return they will make their home with Capt. Solleck. A splendid lot of presents, useful and ornamental as well as valuable, were displayed as tokens of friendship and esteem from their numerous acquaintances. The young and estimable couple have our hearty congratulations.

One of the new statutes of Connecticut is likely to prove troublesome to gentlemen of erratic constitutional affections, it making a state prison crime of an offense that hitherto was looked upon by the law as a sort of misdemeanor—with mitigating circumstances, perhaps. The new law provides that "obscuration of a wife, and support of another woman" is a felony, and the penalty is imprisonment in the state prison for three years. Oliver J. Manning, of New Haven, has been the first man to violate it, and when his case comes on for trial he will learn what a felony and a misdemeanor is. The statute is a partial and one-sided one, however; it provides no penalty for the man who deserts his wife and supports another man. As far as we can see, scores of wives may draw their support with impunity, and go to work to support some other man, and the deserted husband has no redress whatever—except, perhaps, to go to work himself.—Daily Weekly.

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Y. M. C. A. Mr. George Poole of New York City entertained the young men at their members' meeting Monday evening in a very acceptable way. His talk upon the best use of the gymnasium was interesting and exceedingly practical.

He emphasized the need of careful, systematic exercise in the use of light weights. His swinging of the Indian clubs was appreciated by all and caused much envy. Exercise of a practical kind was given to the young men in the development of their muscular and digestive organs by the use of apples and nuts.

Mr. Ambley of the Press is now in the repair shop. It is said that his pleasing address won the confidence and respect of the "fellows."

Mr. Haven the General Secretary leaves to-day to attend the General Secretaries' Conference held at New London and the State Convention held at Norwalk from the 13th to the 16th. Rev. Mr. Torrey and Mr. E. H. Ambley attended the Convention as delegates.

Mr. A. H. Wilcox of Houdon, N. Y., will enter upon his duties as General Secretary on Nov. 1st, as successor to Mr. Haven. Mr. Wilcox comes well recommended and will no doubt be an addition to the social and spiritual life of the young men of Norwalk.

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The show of cattle, poultry and dogs was superb. That of fruits and vegetables with agricultural implements, exceedingly fine. The show of ladies' industrial and fine arts, not equal to some previous years. Indeed, at our County Fair, there were many specimens of ladies' embroideries, paintings, quilts and the like, much superior to any at Danbury. Hall & Co. and The D. M. Read Co. made immense displays of their attractive goods.

"Star" Shoe Store, of Norwalk, took the lead of everything else in their line. The Smith, or Norwalk Pottery Co. works, had a clay wheel in operation, and turned out and sold lots of flower vases, &c. Mosher had a case of his goods on sale, and Alderman Fred Mead and Charley D'Artoise led the hungry multitude in their own unruffled way. In the line of house furniture and chamber sets, no one had a display that was at all equal to the exhibit made by J. B. Ellis, of Norwalk, at the County Fair. But in its crowd of people the Danbury Fair is really the "greatest show on earth."

Another Railroad. The Black Rock correspondent of the Western Zee says: "An engine, not yet named, will be entertained at the residence of Colonel A. R. Nichols and sister. Those who intend to be present are requested to signify their intention at the residence of the same."

South-Norwalk. Dr. E. Disbrow's house is being renovated with paint for the winter.

There was an interesting and well attended service at St. John's Lodge, F. and A. M. held at Trinity Chapel Sunday afternoon.

The prohibition party must have been short of timber, when they nominated a non-resident for school visitor.

Rev. Mr. Harris gave his reasons Sunday night for becoming a Christian. His invitation for Jews to be present, was not largely accepted.

We learn with much regret from a city local, "That all trains (on N. Y. & N. H. R. R.) will assume by Oct. 15th full regulation winter uniforms."

A new steambath is for South Norwalk is announced for next Saturday. Probably but few passengers will patronize it, as the sail will be in the night.

It has been abundantly demonstrated that printed ballots are not popular at a republican caucus, but are very effective when properly placed in the ballot box.

Invitations are out for the wedding of Miss Florence Bucklin, of Cleveland, Ohio, and John Winfield Scott, of South Norwalk, the marriage to be solemnized in Dank Chapel, Cleveland.

We hereby nominate Major James C. Crowe as the republican candidate for Mayor in 1888. There is no secret caucus or private ballots about this, but open and above board, a unanimous nomination of one.

The fine block of cottages erected on Tolles and Day streets are about complete, making that part of the city quite desirable for the winter.

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The festival, fair and musical society given by the dairymaids of the city, at Music Hall on Wednesday evening, was novel and fascinating, consequently a financial success. A Danbury gentleman who was present, says he had no idea there were so many beautiful and attractive dairymaids in the town of Norwalk. Most of those who took part were volunteers, and all sustained their parts well, especially the singers, and they are very happy that their names were not mentioned in the city papers. The applause received at the hall was sufficient.

Politics was unusually lively in the city early on Monday morning. Generally, the two years since, the election has been on strictly party lines, but this year, for a month past, there had been an indication of a new departure. The game of selection nominees for republican offices at the headquarters of the democrats, and there made at the suggestion of democratic leaders, was too open an usurpation of power, and when at a private consultation of so-called republicans, these nominees were accepted, and when at the city caucus it was found that printed ballots had been prepared at the Sentinel office, all numbered "for convenience only," and when on the informal ballot for Mayor, written ballots were cast but not announced by the teller, it was too evident that the whole matter had been fixed, and whoever voted a written ballot was to be boycotted, and it proved true, as for many of the minor offices new and untried men were placed in nomination, while tried, hitherto republicans were discarded.

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