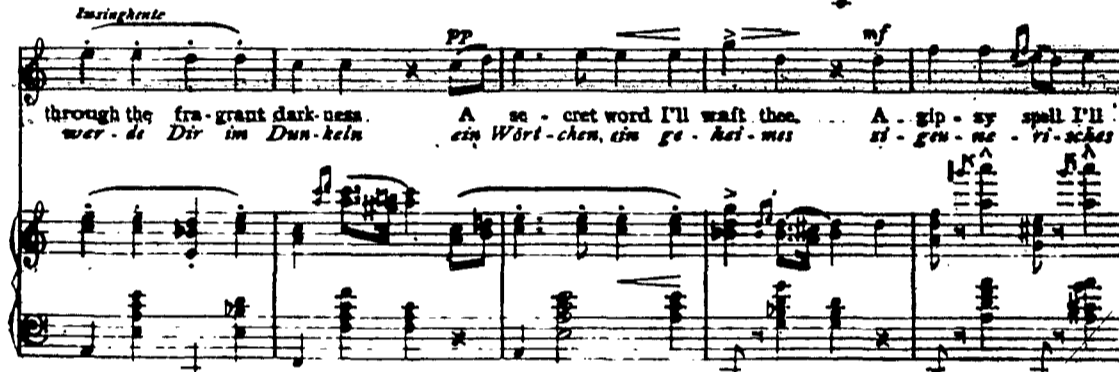
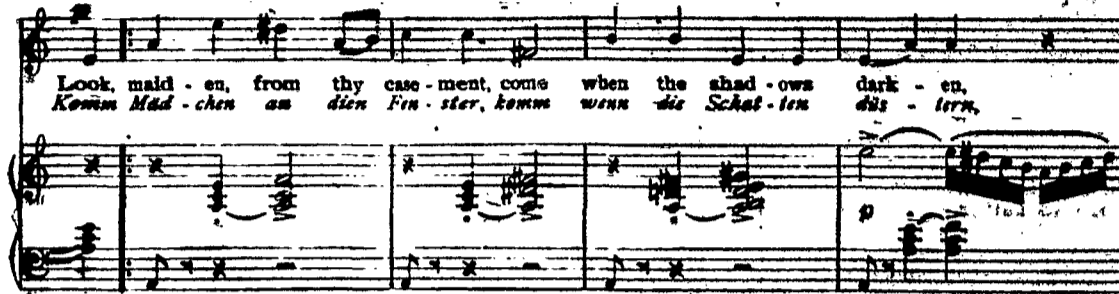


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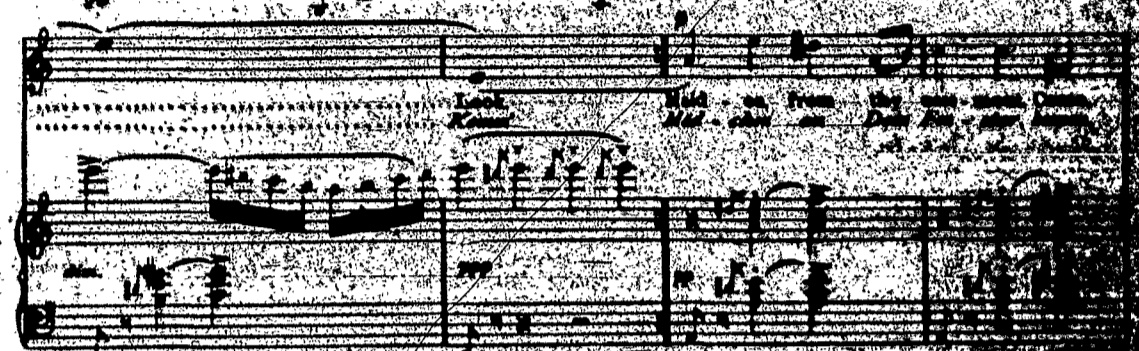
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**Maddening Rapid Transit.**  
The accommodation trains of Germany seldom fail to provoke the wrath of American travelers. One of them thus vented his feelings in a letter home:

"One morning I saw from the carriage window a square forty acre field of some unknown grain. It stretched for a quarter of a mile along the track, and we were just at the first quarter of it. A feeble old man with a rasping book had begun at that corner to mow directly away from the track round the field. Calling out to him, I asked the name of the grain, but he was probably deaf and did not hear. I sat watching him awhile and then put my question to the passenger. I went to every one in the car, but no one could answer my question. However, with some inquiry served as an introduction, and I passed the day very pleasantly in conversation. Going toward evening, into the smoking compartment, I settled down to read a newspaper, and as the air was close I raised a window. A sharp sound of clashing steel struck my ears. I looked out. We had now arrived by a direct line at the far corner of the field. And the old man, having mowed along three sides, was there, whetting his blade."—Youth's Companion.

**Preparing For the Wedding.**  
There was to be a wedding in eastern Kentucky. Many of the mountain men would be there. Early in the morning of the nuptial day Bud Hightower was noticed filling an old No. 12 shoe with slugs and snails and plaster of paris.

"Wot you sein, Bud?" drawled Slim Beasley.  
"Kin't you see wot I'm doin'! I'm zakin' moonshine sperrits out'n cheese scrapin's."  
Slim chuckled.  
"Gettin' good an' ready f'r th' weddin', I reckon."  
"I reckon."  
"Goin' to throw it at th' bridegroom maybe?"

"Goin' to throw it at him, maybe, but it ain't goin' to hit him. It's goin' to break th' face of Snipe Tolliver and do it accidental too. I been layin' f'r that ther Snipe f'r a right smart spell. And he drove an extra railway spike in the hardening mass—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

**The Powdering Closet.**  
When capricious fashion ruled that ladies should wear only white hair-color supplied by nature being of no importance—the operation of putting on the powder made special arrangements necessary. These took the form of a special room or cabinet, and in every house of any pretension a special chamber was set aside for the purpose.

exclusive use of powdering the hair. A curtain divided in the middle, a powdering stand to hold the bowl of powder and possibly a stool were all that the closet contained, and through this curtain the lady whose head was to be powdered protruded her head, the maid standing on the other side and "throwing" the powder at her head by means of a powder puff. To preserve the eyes and complexion a mask was held to the face. Unfortunately, no illustration of a "powdering closet" seems to have been preserved.—*Courier de Louvres.*

**Why Lincoln Helped a Bug.**  
President Lincoln was walking with a friend about Washington and turned back for some distance to assist a beetle that had got on its back and lay on the walk, legs sprawling in air, vainly trying to turn itself over. The friend expressed surprise that the president, burdened with the cares of a warring nation, should find time to spare in assisting a bug.  
"Well," said Lincoln, with that homely sincerity that touched the hearts of millions of his countrymen, "do you know that if I had left that bug struggling there on his back I wouldn't have felt just right. I wanted to put him on his feet and give him an equal chance with all the other bugs of his class."—*Kansas City Star.*

**Cause For a Rebate.**  
A colored undertaker was requested to embalm the body of a colored man. The wife of the deceased asked what the cost would be. He named his usual charge, to which she quickly replied, "I think that's too much."  
"But it is the regular fee," protested the undertaker.  
"That may be," assented the widow, "but this ain't a regular corpse. My husband had a wooden leg."

**The Family Skelton.**  
"Pop, us boys is going to have a min streel show."  
"Yes, son."  
"Well, can't we have the skelton?" said Mrs. Gaddy, says you've got in your closet to rattle the bones?"—*Baltimore American.*

**Profiting by the Occasion.**  
"I met Pantouffe just now. He's awfully bad; can hardly eat anything and drinks nothing but water."  
"She—And didn't you like to invite him to dinner?"—*Pele Mele.*

**Consistently Dressed.**  
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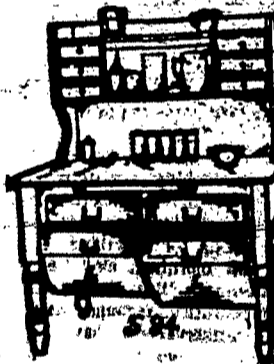
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