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Enclosed is my solution to the second W.B. Tyler cypher. I am providing here the original cypher, transcribed to ASCII characters as to be easily used on a computer, with the substitutions (the plaintext letters) above each cyphertext letter. The encryption method is that of simple substitution, however with more than one cyphertext letter encrypting a single plaintext letter. The cypher contains numerous errors which are not my doing; they can be summarized as follows:

1. Incorrect use of the inverse of the cyphertext letter (i.e. upright letter used instead of upside-down)
2. Wrong choice of case (e.g. lowercase instead of small-caps)
3. Illegibility of the scanned original.

Hence, the plaintext is difficult to discern at times. Nevertheless, the plaintext is legible, sensible English - I present my reading of it below - and the text's literary cohesiveness makes it undoubtedly the solution, irrespective of a change in a letter or two that may arise from the errors in the original cypher.

I would like you to note that the version transcribed below is taken from the website of the Poe Society of Baltimore (www.eapoe.org), who have scanned THE ORIGINAL CYPHER as it appeared in Graham's in December 1841. The scanning provided in the contest's website at Bokler dates from a later edition, which differs from the Graham's version by at least 9 characters (usually due to case and inversion mistakes.)

The encryption and decryption tables appear at the end of this solution.

Transcription legend: each cyphertext letter is represented by two characters. The first is [or], indicating the upright version of a letter and its upside-down version, respectively. The second is either uppercase, lowercase or other characters, which map to the small-caps used in the cypher as follows:

ABCDEFGHIJKLMNOPQRSTUVWXYZ
[0123456789!@#%&*\(\)-=+,.;](#)

(For example, A is capital 'A', a is lowercase 'a', 0 is small-caps 'A').

The cypher and plaintext:

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i t w a s e a r l y s p r i n g w a r m a n d s u l t r y
[D[* ]L[i]k [O[G[X[E[W [P]f]h[F[y]y [$]B[U[H ]T[I[A [V[Q]S[M]G]&
g l o w e d t h e a f t e r n o o n t h s v e r y b r e z e s
[, [3[T[b]j[( [S[N[B [2[s]A[L]N[K]g[Y]Q ]J[C[P ( )]V[%[1 [H]@[Z[6[-]2]C
s e e m e d t o s h a r e t h e d e l i c i o u s l a n g o u r o f
[@])t]K]r[f ]^]R ]$]D]3]&[L ]=]W[O [h[j[5]X]I]!]F]R]i [g].[7]y]M[4]e [T[a
u n i v e r s a l n a t u r e a r e l a d e n t h e v a r i o u s
[Q[9]4( )][B[X[P[e[E [y[G]+[d[U]P ]B]V ]S]T[A]V]a ]u]0]Z ( )][2]G[D[Y]R]C
l a n d m i n g l e d p e r f u m e s o f t h e r o s e a n d t h e
[3[7[1 ]Y[F[K[, [3[6[f [Z]2[N[s[#[4)][@ ]R]k ]O]*]t [%[9]$]r [;]Q[h [M]j[6
e s s a e r n e t h e w o o d b i n e a n d t h i s w i l d f l o w e r
[+]2[V]i[e[6[X[7[B ]A]m[L [$]!]-[A[5[!]]([O [i[y[1]J[D[V [b]4]5[f[s[g]F]L]P]@
t h e y s l o w l y w a f t e d t h e i r f r a g r a n t o f f e r i n g
[S^]Z[1 [C[E]M[$[S[W [b[G[e[*]]h [a[N[j]m]. [s]e]A]y]h]T]a]= ]Y[a]k]t[X[D[I[,
t o t h e o p e n w i n d o w w h e r e s a t t h e l o v e r s
]+]g ]J[C]P [9]E]r[K [o[F]Q[A]R]L [$]D[O]T[. ]k[2[r ]O]*]t ]3[9( )][B]G]P
t h e a r d e n t s u n s h o o t f e l l u p o n h e r b l u s h i n g
[S[E[B ]3]N[1[L]Q[u [L[p[7 ]$]j[n[9]= [a]t]g]5 [d[8[!][y ]W]V[% [c[E[p]i]m]X]a]y
f a c e a n d i t s g e n t l e b e a u t y w a s m o r e l i k e t h e
[s].[J]Z [e[I]f [!][M]k [, [. [K]S]S[6 [H)]][i]t]A]W [ &]B]P [q]T]@]2 [3]4[. [j [*]0]=
r y e a t i a o f s i e y i f d r o m a n c e o r t h e f a i r y
[U]&]r[2]^]m[e [n]k [V[F]H]V [l[D[a]h [X]M]K[T[I[0], [Y[e ]=]j]r [a]3[F]h[W
r n s p i r a t i o n o f d r e a m t h a n t h e a c t u a l
[X]Q]C]#[![U]. ]+ ]4]!]a ]g[s [1 [A]G[O]i]Y [u]m[e]y [r[^[2 [G]I]O]Q]B]g
r e a l i t y o f e a r t h t e n d e r l y h e r l o v e r g a z e d
]N[B]T[E[m[M[ & [n]k [L[2[%]^]* [S]=[I[1]P]@]S[1 [N]Z[ & ]3[g[ )][j]h ]y]3[-[6[f
u p o n h e r a s h e r c l u s t e r o u s r i n g l e t s
[R[Z]-[K [C]])e ]. @ ]W]t[X [J[3[#]$]A]r[U]F]Q[, ]G[D[7]y]5[B[*]i
w e r e e d g e d b y a m o r o u s a n d s p o r t i v e
[b[;]N[L [L[1( )]P]h [5[W [e[4[T[%[Y[d]k ]T[I[A [V[8]R]&[M[F( )]=
z e p h y r s a n d w h e n h e p e r c e i v e d t h e r u d e
[v]V]E]7]&]@]P ]3[7[1 [$[N[6]9 ]W]2 ]#)]e]U[j]Y[r]t[f ]J]D]V ]h[p]h]r
i n t r u s i o n o f t h e s u n l i g h t h e s p r a n g t o
[!][y[S[X[t]C]4]F]a ]g[s ]A]m[L [ @]Q[I]G[m[, ]0[* ]W]2 ]$]f[U[i]K]y ]^]M
d r a w t h e c u r t a i n b u t s h e g e n t l y s t a y e d
[A]G[G[b [M]j[6 [0[R]N]+[a]D]Q [c[#]r ]i[*[; [, ]r[7]O[E[1 ]k[S].]W[t[1
h i m n o n o d e a r c h a r l e s s h e s o f t l y s a i d
[C[F]6 ]9]c [y]! [f[j[e[% ]I]D]B]@]S)]P ]i]*[; [V]-[k]A[3]& ]C]T[X]h
m u c h r a t h e r y o u l d n o t h a v e a l i t t l e s u n t h a n
[q[d]J]W [ &]2]J[^]P]e [l[n[d]5[A [K ]0]3( )]V ]1 [g]4[*]^]E]2 [-[t]a ]=]j[. [I
n o a i r a t a l l
[K[9 [e[m[y [i]+ ]G]3]5

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This is the text I can read here after pruning out errors:

It was early spring, warm and sultry glowed the afternoon. The very breezes seemed to share the delicious langour of universal nature, are laden the various and mingled perfumes of the rose and the -essaerne, the woodbine and its wildflower. They slowly wafted their fragrant offering to the open window where sat the lovers. The ardent sun shoot fell upon her blushing face and its gentle beauty was more like the ryeatia(creation?) of si-e yifd romance or the fairy inspiration of a dream than the actual reality of earth. Tenderly her lover gazed upon her as her clusterous(clustering?) ringlets were edged(?) by amorous and sportive zephyrs, and when he perceived(?) the rude intrusion of the sunlight he sprang to draw the curtain but she softly stayed him. "No, no, dear Charles," she softly said, "much rather you'd(would?) I have a little sun than no air at all."

This is the encryption table used in this cypher. Every cyphertext letter is indicated by three characters. The first is [or], which again denote upright and inverted. The second character is either U for (U)ppercase, S for (S)mall-caps or L for (L)owercase. The third is the actual alphabet letter.

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A  ]UB, ]SB, [SC, ]SD, [LE, [UG, [LI, ]UT, ]SY
B  [LC, [SF, [UH
C  [SA, ]UI, [UJ
D  [UA, [SB, [LF, [LH, [SS
E  [UB, ]SC, [SG, [LJ, [UL, [UO, ]UP, ]LR, ]ST, ]UV, [SV, ]SX, [SY, ]UZ, [SZ
F  [LA, [LK, [LS
G  [SX, ]LY
H  ]SA, [UC, ]UD, ]SH, ]LJ, ]LM, [UN, [SP, ]SR, ]UW
I  [UD, ]SE, [UF, [SK, [LM, ]UX
J
K
L  [SD, [UE, ]SF, [LG, ]US
M  [SE, ]SG, ]UK, [LQ, ]UY
N  ]LA, [SH, [UI, ]SJ, [UK, ]UQ, ]SS
O  ]LC, ]UF, ]LG, [SJ, ]SK, ]UM, [LN, ]UR, [UT, ]SU, [UY
P  ]UE, ]LF, [SI, ]SM, [UZ
Q
R  ]LE, ]UG, ]LH, ]SL, ]UN, [SO, ]SQ, [UU, [UX
S  ]UC, ]LI, ]LK, [SL, ]SN, [UP, [UV
T  ]UA, ]UJ, [UM, ]UO, ]SP, [LR, [SR, [US, ]LT, [LU, ]LU, ]SV, ]SW
U  [LD, [SM, [LP, [UQ, [UR, [LT
V  [ST
W  [LB, ]UL, [SN, [LO, [SQ
X
Y  [LL, [UW
Z  [SU, [LV

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The decryption table is as follows:

[U]U [L]L [S]S

A	d	t	f	n	c	h
B	e	a	w		d	a
C	h	s	b	o	a	e
D	i	h	u		l	a
E	l	p	a	r	m	i
F	i	o	d	p	b	l
G	a	r	l	o	e	m
H	b		d	r	n	h
I	n	c	a	s	p	
J	c	t	e	h	o	n
K	n	m	f	s	i	o
L	e	w	y		s	r
M	t	o	i	h	u	p
N	h	r	o		w	s
O	e	t	w		r	
P	s	e	u		h	t
Q	u	n	m		w	r
R	u	o	t	e	t	h
S	t	l	f		d	n
T	o	a	u	t	v	e
U	r		t	t	z	o
V	s	e	z		e	t
W	y	h				t
X	r	i			g	e
Y	o	m		g	e	a
Z	p	e			e	