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MAJESTY By Zoe A. Hutchings

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The prime minister mopped his forehead and the duchess dried her eyes. They had just been through a trying ordeal with her majesty the queen, who "would not marry the Duke Reinar and would not marry the Prince Corray, state reasons or no state reasons!" The minister and the duchess. the young queen's mother, had yielded and had sent her highness, triumphant, into the garden to make her proposal to her favored subject, the Earl of

Queen Marie wandered along the garden paths until she espied Lord Norwood, and then she began plucking roses in embarrassment at his approach.

"Ah, my queen!" he said, bending his knee and pressing her hand to his lips. You will hurt these tender hands with the cruel thorns. I shall break the roses for you." "I have to tell you something," she

said, with averted eyes. "Do you really care? Have they consented? Oh, my queen, I never dared hope"-

"Consented to what, pray?" she said coldly. "I haven't told you anything." "N-no," he stammered. They walked on in silence between the rows of blooming azalea bushes.

Suddenly she said, with an impatient movement of her hands: "I wish I were a dairymaid." "Why, your majesty?" he exclaimed

stopping short in amazement. "Yes; I wish I were a dairymaid." she continued, "and I should be milking a good old cow, and then the farmer's lad would chance along, and he would look at me as if he were not afraid of me, and he would say: 'Oh, Marie'-I mean, 'Oh, Tildy-I love you better than my wealth, better than my title'-I mean, 'better than-than my plowe Will you be my wife? And I would say-I might say, 'Yes,' if-if be would beg hard enough." The queen hung her head and blush-

"Would you say that?" Lord Norwood cried eagerly, seizing her hand. Then, remembering, he dropped it.

"I wish I were a farmer's lad!" he nuttered impatiently. After an embarrassing pause, "You see, your majesty, we are slaves to custom, slaves to a sometimes annoying and severe and more abject slaves to our own mis-

"Now, you will have to yield me the victory in the argument we had last night!" she said gleefully. "Confess



TOUR HUMBLE SERVANT AWAITS YOUR PLEASURE," HE ANSWERED.

that I was right when I said that people in humble life are happier than we of pomp and ceremony. At last you will have to say that I am right and you are wrong." And she laughed triumphantly, clapping her hands and pelting him with azalea blossoms, 'Say you are wrong quickly!" she ordered, seizing the sword from his scabbard and holding it above his head. "No; I will not say it, not even to

queen," he answered, fascinated y her change of humor

"What! Will not acknowledge you are in the wrong? Ob. fie!" "But I'm not in the wrong. It's the way in which we look at things whether our environments need order our

happiness or not." "Ah, you are cornered! Did you not say a moment ago that we are the slaves of eustom, which amounts to the same thing?" "Well, then, we'll set custom aside,"

he said, a trifle piqued at being caught, "We'll suppose you to be a dairymaid, for you know you really are no better, being a mortal; and only elevated bywell, say by the chance of custom"-"Indeed!" she said icily, tossing her head. "If so you consider me, we may as well discontinue any further ac-

quaintance!" And she turned about and walked toward the castle. He was not prepared for this development and was for a moment too stunned to do anything but stare after her. Recovering himself, he sprang to her side. "Your majesty." he cried, "forgive me! I did not think-I would not have vexed you for the world. It was only

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