Striking into the lane leading to Chavasse, and getting within view of the little gate in the park palings, I gave a start. Standing with her hand upon its top bar and her back toward me as she looked further down the lane, was the figure of a woman, her head enveloped in a shawl. Who was it. I wondered, standing there so late, less little madcap Nat come out to look for me, setting influenza and a incomprehensible freaks again! I decided, wondering why I had not thought of her at first, as I drew

and what in the name of all that was unreasonable could she possibly want frozen ground startled the figure, and it turned, uttered a cry at the sight of

But for the cry I might have thought I had signalized myself by seeing a ghost, the vanishing of the pointing towards the gate.

A sudden thought flashed across my mind, and I sprung round the deeper still, but I could see the outlines of a crouching figure and the stared. Instead of Mlle. Valdini, as I had confidently expected, there stood face to face with me-Virtue Dent!

CHAPTER XXIV.

I do not know how long it was before I found my voice, for, of all the

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that you have such a partiality for catching your death of cold?" I said.

"She might not like it if she knew—that is she knew—that's all."

"It shall not happen again, sir," she faltered, timidly.

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ever I have seen in my life, Virtue rime, her obvious fear could no ave been greater than it was.

"What on earth are you doing here 'irtue?" I asked at last.

"Nothing, sir," she faltered.

ame out because my head ached." The air of the park was good fo eadaches, it would seen; that was ust what mademoiselle had said or he night of Nat's tumble, when I rai p against her at the end of the Lav's Walk. The excuse had been a h in the governess' case I shrewedsuspected, and I certainly put i own as about the same in that o his girl, who had always been t queer girl. There was nothing in un away, anyhow, or to make , he

'Did I scream, sir?"

"You did, and pretty loudly too shouldn't have fancied you a ghost particularly when you vanished in a lash. How came you to be frighten-

"I-I didn't know it was you, sir. That is-I thought you would see me," she stammered, in flat contra-

"And so you hid yourself?" "I was so startled, sir."

"Pooh!" I said, laughing. "How ed her large scared eves quickly to

She would be angry, and it was

"And you won't tell madame, Mi Ned?" she said, pleadingly, but almost in her ordinary staid way.

"Of course not, Make haste if you don't want to be locked out, though-

"Thank you, sir," she said, almost a a whisper, and then darted off down a private path which would house, and probably enable her to slip in without old Batterbin being any the

Laughing again to think what a queer girl she was, and how scared ing into the drawing-room, I found only Nat there. Mademoiselle had

The little lady curled up in a chair by the fire, was more than half asleep out she jumped up when I went in.

"Oh, it is you, Ned!" she said, with yawn, childishly stretching her arms above her head, a trick of which madame had vainly tried to break

"Yes, my dear! I saw your bugbear

alk!" she cried, laughing, and looking down at me as I stretched myself out on the rug before her chair. "You

'ouldn't stand the cold, you knowvanted to know if we ever had it varm. I don't think his impression: f England are particularly favorable ake them altogether.'

Nat shrugged her shoulders. "So much the better-perhaps

"Let's hope not. If he hasn't a fin old in his head to-morrow to spoi is pretty face, I'm greatly mistaken! "He is absurdly handsome isn't

e?" Nat said, musingly. "Absurdly?" I echoed. "Well, yes-I think so. I think it is ather a waste of beauty in a man Ie is too handsome a great deal." "Handsomer than Roger, eh?"

said, mischievously, looking up at

"Handosmer than Roger!" she retty face from brow to chin as gbe now that he is really handsome a ll I never thought whether he was

r not." "All right, miss. I'll tell him." "I'm sure you may if you like 'hy"-looking down at me with a ugh-"you know he is not half s andsome as you are, if we come to nat! Oh, I declare you are absoutely blushing-pretty dear!" she ried, highly delighted.

Not but what it was true, alhough I ad colored. We Chavasses had nevr been ugly specimens of humanity nd I knew that I had the bright rown eyes and hair and the face and gure generally which had made my ather in his day one of the handsomst men in Daleshire.

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'So do I," I said heartily.

"Perhaus he will." she said, bright-

"And have madame pounce upon his etter!" I retorted. "A nice mull that would make of things!" "So it would," she assented, softly

'I'm stupid to-night, I think. It is all hrough that horrid man coming!"with a vicious emphasis that I knew vas meant for Raby St. George. "Well, ves, he certainly might have

topped away and welcome." I rejoind wondering what she would say if he knew, as I did, of Fraser Froude's our head about him. If Roger doesn't urn up soon, and he gets too impue river myself. I say, Nat" -3 hought which had been in my head everal times during the evening, sudonly recurring to me-"who is this llow exactly? You never told me." (To be continued.)

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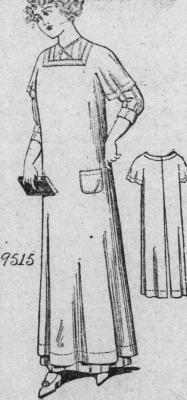


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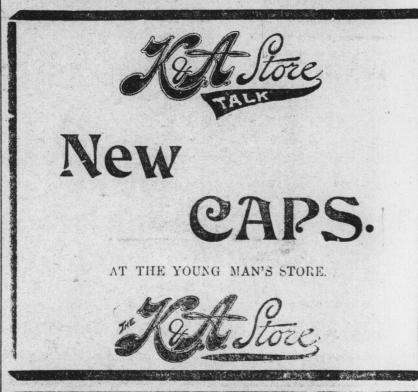
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