

His Repentance.

"You are thinking it's not enough, Oswald?"

"It might be enough for prudent people. But I don't think it would be found enough by you and Caroline Davenal. Mark, I fancy—I shall not offend you—I fancy you are not of a prudent turn."

"I don't know that I am. But any man can be prudent when there is a necessity that he should be."

"I have not always proved so," said Mark, good-humoredly.

"Not exactly that. I think you could not live upon so small an income as some can. Dr. Davenal gives you, I believe, £200 a year, and you have been with him six months, and you will find the £200 does nothing like kept you. You will be looking around for another hundred to pay debts."

"Are you so particularly saving yourself?" asked Mark.

"That is not the question, Mark; I am not going to be married," answered Oswald, with a smile.

"If the doctor will give me £400 a year to begin with, there is no need to wait."

"You have no furniture."

"That's easily ordered," said Mark.

"Very easily indeed," laughed Oswald.

"But there'll be the paying for it."

"It won't take so much. We shall not set up in a grand way. We can pay by instalments."

"A bad beginning, Mark."

Mark rather winced.

"Are you going to turn against me, Oswald? To throw cold water on it?"

Oswald looked very grave, and he could not urge him too much; but a conviction seated itself in his heart, perhaps not for the first time, that Mark had inherited his father's imprudence.

"These considerations are for you, Mark; not for me. If I speak of them to you, I do so in your true interest. We have never been brothers, therefore I do not presume to give a brother's counsel—you would deem I had no right to do it. Only be prudent for your own sake and Caroline's. Good-evening, if you will go back."

Neal admitted Mr. Oswald Cray, and Neal's face lighted up with the most apparent genuine pleasure in doing it. Neal was the quintessence of courteous respect to his better, but an additional respect would show itself in his manner to Mr. Oswald Cray, from the fact possibly that he had served in the Oswald family at Thorndyke, and Mr. Oswald Cray was so near a connection with it.

Dr. Davenal was then in the garden-parlor with Sara. The noisy boys were regaling themselves in the dining-room, under the presidency of Mr. Bettine. A few moments, and the doctor and Mr. Oswald Cray were deep in the discussion of the proposition that had so moved them; the doctor being the first to speak of it. Sara sat near the window, having taken up some light work. A fair picture she looked, in her evening dress; her cheeks somewhat flushed, her neck so fair and white, the gold chain lying on her pretty arms partially hidden by their white lace. Dr. Davenal stood in a musing attitude on the other side of the window, and Mr. Oswald Cray sat between them a little back, his elbow on the center-table, his chin on his hand.

"Mark has just told me of it," he observed in reply to Dr. Davenal. "I met him as I walked here. I was very much surprised."

"Not more surprised than I," returned the doctor.

"At least, surprised that he should have spoken to you so soon."

"What do you think of it?" asked the doctor, abruptly.

"Nay, sir, it is for you to think," was the reply of Mr. Oswald Cray, after a momentary pause.

"I know—in that sense: My opinion is, that it is exceedingly premature."

"Well—yes, I confess it appears so to me. I told Mark so. There's one thing, Dr. Davenal—some men get on all the better for marrying early."

"Yes; it's true; and some men are all the better for waiting. I like those men who have the courage and patience to wait, bearing steadily on to the right moment and working for it. I married very early in life myself, but my circumstances justified it. Where circumstances do not justify, a man should wait. I don't mean waiting on to an unreasonable time, until the sear and yellow leaf is advancing; nothing of that; but there's a medium in all things. I am sure you would not rush into an imprudent marriage; you'd wait your time."

A smile parted Oswald Cray's lips.

"I am obliged to wait, sir."

"That is, you are obliged to wait?"

"Yes, that's it."

"And I make no doubt your income is a good deal larger than the present one of £200."

"I believe it is."

Dr. Davenal stood in silence, twirling his watch chain.

"Give me your advice," he said, turning to Mr. Oswald Cray.

"Dr. Davenal, may I tell you that I would prefer not to give it? By blood, Mark is my half-brother; but you know the circumstances under which we were reared—that we are, in fact, little more than strangers; and I feel the greatest delicacy in interfering with him in any way. I will do him any good that I can; but I will not give advice regarding him in so momentous a step as this."

Dr. Davenal understood the feeling; it was a perfectly proper one.

"Do you think he has much stability—enough to steer through life, through life, clear of shoals and quicksands?"

Oswald Cray's opinion was that Mark possessed none. But he was not sure; he had so little to do with him.

"Indeed, I cannot speak with certainty," was his answer. "Mark is far more of a stranger to me than he is to you. Stability comes sometimes with years only; with time and experience."

"I cannot tell you how surprised I was," resumed the doctor, after a pause. "Had Mark come and propose to marry Bettine, I could not have been more astonished. The fact is, I had somehow got upon the wrong scent."

"The wrong scent?" exclaimed Mr. Oswald Cray, looking up.

"I don't mind telling you, considering how different, as it has turned out, was the actual state of things," said Dr. Davenal, with a laugh. "I fancied you were inclined to like Caroline."

Mr. Oswald Cray's deep blue eyes were opened wider than usual, in his astonishment.

"What caused you to fancy that?"

"Upon my word I don't know. Looking back, I think how foolish I must have been. But you see that idea tended to obscure my view as to Mark."

Oswald Cray arose from his seat and stood

by Dr. Davenal, looking from the window. "Had it been so, would you have objected to me?" he asked; and in his voice, jesting though it was, there rang a sound of deep meaning.

"No, I would not," replied Dr. Davenal. "I wish it had been so. Don't talk of it; it will put me out of count of Mark."

Mr. Oswald Cray laughed, and stole a glance at Sara. Her cheeks were crimson; her head was bent closer to her work than it need have been.

"Why did you ask if I would have objected to you?" inquired the doctor. "It was not so, was it?"

"No, doctor that it was not. On the contrary I have seen for some little time that Mark and Caroline were getting to like each other."

"I thought you said you were surprised."

"Surprised at Mark asking for her so soon. Not that an attachment was existing."

At that moment Dr. Davenal's carriage was heard coming up the side lane, Roger's head and shoulders being just visible over the garden wall. Dr. Davenal gave the man a nod as he passed, as much as to say he would be out immediately, and retreated into the room. It had broken the thread of the discourse.

You came down in answer to Lady Oswald's message," he observed. "She said she had sent for you."

"Not in answer to the message. I came away before it reached London; at any rate before it reached me."

"Lady Oswald's in a fine way. I suppose nothing can be done?"

"Nothing at all. It is unfortunate that her nuptials about just on that part of the line."

"She will never stop in the house."

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Partyism, like certain other noxious weeds, only grows on uncultivated ground. Where there are no vital issues before the people and politics has descended to a mere fight between the "ins" and the "outs," it is not strange that blind and meaningless factionalism should prevail. But in the face of a serious public question, the party fetter finds itself surprisingly weak.

Instances of this are very ready to our hands in these times of political revivification. Let us go first to the native land of maudlin factionism—the United States—and see how thoroughly real "issues" have been able to overpower party bonds. But a few years ago, their politics was unblinded wrestle for the spoils of office. The slavery question was settled; the two parties agreed on the tariff; they were both hopelessly dissatisfied on the silver problem; and there was not a ghost of a principle at stake when they met in battle array. Mr. Bryce points out this state of affairs in his "American Commonwealth," and deals with it as a peculiar phenomenon growing since war time. Under these conditions, there were very few doubtful States, New York and Indiana nearly completing the list. But an issue appeared, the Republicans forced the McKinley bill upon the country; and, in a few months, the Farmers' Alliance had arisen in the west and the Democrats began to think of spreading sails to the rising wind. The people quickly snapped old party ties and rallied about the standard of "tariff reform," when such solid Republican strongholds as "bleeding Kansas," California, Wisconsin and Illinois were found sadly out of alignment. To take other American instances, an "issue" of honest government elected the Democratic Governor Russell in "Old Massachusetts," the lottery issue tore party shillings in Louisiana to pieces, and even Iowa elected Boies on a State question.

The same development is seen in Britain, where issues are perpetually changing. The political complexion of whole districts Wales was Tory until the disestablishment cry made it Liberal. Birmingham was Radical until Unionist sentiment led it and "the Chamberlains" to the Conservatives. Neither are cases lacking in Canada in which issues that really aroused the interest of the electorate have utterly set party predilections at naught. The number could be quoted to show how completely alive political "issues" always throw party prejudice, no matter how impragmatically it has seemed to be entrenched. Partyism can only rule in the absence of principle. Partyism is a poison, and an "issue" is the antidote—it is a stupid idol, and a lusty cause the iconoclast. When the issue of tariff reform is fairly before the people, there need be no fear that it will be choked down by the rank growths of faction slavery.

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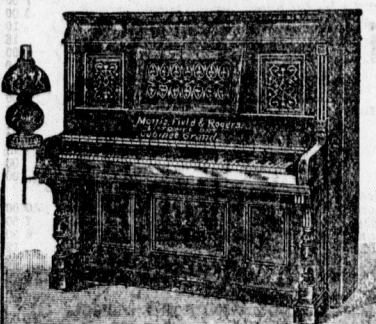
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