

FATED TO LOVE HER

"He does call me his comfort," Gabrielle acknowledged, smiling; "but now, Cissy, I want to hear about yourself. How have you been getting on? Do tell me—outwardly and inwardly."

"Outwardly, much as usual," said Cissy, looking remarkably sober.

"But inwardly? Cissy, I am sure you are happy. I saw it directly you came."

And in her old caressing way she nestled to Cissy's side. Cissy hesitated for a moment; then burst into an impetuous and a truly Cissy-like fit of crying.

"Oh, Gabrielle, Gabrielle, your prophecy is fulfilled! My soul has come—and—a gulp—and a great bore it is!"

Gabrielle bit her lips to repress a smile; but Cissy sobbed on, none the wiser.

"Ever since I left Farnley it has been growing. That horrid Brierley Lodge has been sea-air to it; and all my bothers there—my longings for home, or extra—were its tories. And lately—but never mind details; the result's enough. I've got a sore heart, like other people, now, and it will never go away; and I shall never, never, never be happy again."

"Why, Cissy! What can make you think so?" said Gabrielle, distressed, as the pretty head sank lower, and the tears coursed each other, like raindrops, over the piquante face; "your journey has tired you."

At this Cissy started up, dashed the tears away, and laughed spasmodically.

"You have caught Olivia's complaint, I declare! I was never less tired in my life. But never mind, I won't make myself ridiculous. They will be coming home directly, and Olivia shan't find me with red eyes! Talk, Gabrielle! Chatter! Gesticulate—anything to keep my horrid soul from spouting out its tears like this—as though it were proud of them, forsooth, and wished to show them off. I have no patience with it. Come, Gabrielle! Talk! Fire away!"

"Oh, by the bye! I have heard nothing about your Lorton visit. Was Lady Louisa—"

"Lady Louisa! Don't mention her, just now, dear. My emotion has passed quite away, and the sunbeam—he seized her hand—the sunbeam has spread into a flood of light, and is filling my life. I needn't try to shut it out, Cissy—need I? It depends on you."

He paused, earnestly watching her. She made no answer; but she did not withdraw her hand.

"Cissy, if you will trust yourself to me, I will do my best to take care of you and to make you happy. I love you with all my heart."

"And I believe," said Cissy—for the first time half shyly returning his glance—"I believe (though I've not had one very long, so don't know much about it) that, with a little bit of mine, it—"

The immediate sequel of this confession dependent recordeth not.

But when Gabrielle, who had been detained upstairs, descended, she found Cissy, by some mysterious inconsistency, had bestowed herself—as property unalienable and unredeemable—on the person whom she hated more than any one in the world!

CHAPTER XLV.

James sat alone at his writing-table. His head was bowed upon his arms, beneath them lay a sheet of foolscap, thereon, running one into the other, were traced a few illegible and blotting lines. At a little distance, as though he had flung it impatiently from him, was a pen in which the ink had dried, forming a thick, black crust.

Suddenly, hearing the door open and a light footstep enter, he raised his voice. It was worn, flushed, depressed.

"Is that you, Gabrielle?"

"Yes; I thought you were lost. What have you been doing? Writing?" She leaned over his shoulder, attempting to decipher the blotting lines.

"I tried to write," he said, hopelessly.

"The ideas were crowding on my mind. But I had no use, I shall never be good for anything any more," and he heaved a great sigh.

Gabrielle, however, did not sigh. This was a moment for which she had long been on the watch. "James," she said, still leaning on his shoulder, "I think I ought really to stick to you from morning till night, for whenever you are left to yourself you sink into the Slough of Despond. One might think, to hear you talk, that you had lost your intellect, instead of your eyesight!"

"It is much the same," said James, despondently.

"Oh, James! Remember all the great men who have been blind. Why, Homer was blind—and Huber—and Milton—and Eusebius, and a host besides. You can't do the manual part, certainly—though even that may come, in time. But you know, Philip has heard of a promising secretary, and Mr. Morris's old cottage is nearly ready for him, and he will very soon be here, and you will have his eyes and his fingers to use as you like."

"Ten to one, I shall find them as much plague as profit! There are all manner of books which I am obliged to refer to, and to read—or rather was obliged"—another great sigh—"and unless he's thoroughly an fait of the kind of thing less, to his I can no longer work by fits and starts, whenever the mood falls on me. Oh, Gabrielle! resting his head against her, as she sat on the arm of the chair, "sometimes I am tempted to feel like Cain, that my punishment is greater than I can bear. This state of dependence is galling to a degree!"

"Yes, dearest—I know! Somehow it seemed less galling as she spoke; "but—James, don't call me conceited—I have set my heart on being your chief secretary myself. You see I shall be always at your beck and call, and I shall so enjoy reading what you want to you—looking through the books and—"

"My dearest child, almost all the books—for the century that I am about now—are in Latin."

"Well, James—with a touch of pride—what of that? I understand Latin pretty well, at least, well enough to make notes for the secretary, under your directions."

"You understand Latin, Gabrielle?"

"I have been working at it hard these two years. I hoped that, some time, if I learned it, I might be able to help you."

"These two years! While I was behaving like a blackguard to you, you were drugging away at Latin for me! Well, never mind. I am contented now to be unworthy of you."

"A very improper state of mind, James. And now, suppose we set to

work? I am quite ready."

"How do you mean?"

"You said that the ideas were crowding on your mind. May I not write for you at once? Only, first, if you know of any books that we shall want, I'll go and hunt them out in the library."

"Stop one minute, my child. Come nearer." He drew her nearer and laid his hand upon her head. Then, in a voice that faltered more than a little: "God bless these," he said, "and God requite thee, for I cannot."

"Well!" said Mr. Morris, wiping his spectacles the better to gaze at Charlie, with the dreamy, yet affectionate gaze of old—"well so you've fixed the day! What is it?"

"The eighteenth of June. The jolliest time of all the year! And we've fixed the place, too; the places, rather. First the English lakes, then the Scotch lakes, and home by Edinburgh."

"A happy coming home may it be, my boy! Well! Glad, very glad. And thankful to have such an account—his tone sank, while his eyes wandered from Charlie's face to the glass of roses on the table—"such an account to take her."

"Would you like to hear Cissy's letter?"—part of it, at least," said Charlie, his cheek flushing.

It was a journal letter, bright, light and joyous, fully corroborating Charlie's simile of the sunbeam, and it ended thus:

"You remember my favorite theory—that we are formed to be happy? Even Brierley Lodge, you know, and its stagnations, have failed to crush that faith in me. And now it is established more firmly than ever. I am sure—quite sure—that it is true."

"It is true," said Mr. Morris, who had listened attentively, with a smile half amused, half melancholy. "It is true. Tell her so. We are formed to be happy. But—not in this life; in the life to come."

"I fancy 'tis chiefly this life that she means here," said Charlie, smiling.

"Yes, and even in this we have glimpses—foretastes of what is coming. At least, some very pleasant it is to instance. And have you seen, that those denied them, on past them, to see them thus in others. But they're liable to fade again. Tell her so. Only in the life immortal will God say: 'Be ye glad and rejoice forever!'"

"You must talk these things over with Cissy when she comes," said Charlie, reverently.

(To be continued.)

To cure a cold in one night—use Vapo-Creosole. It has been used extensively during more than twenty-four years. All drug stores.

TO SHOOT TO KILL.

Mayor's Order In Street Car Strike at Chester.

Chester, Pa., May 26.—Absolute quiet prevailed in the streets of Chester today, following the disorderly scenes of last night, when crowds of men and boys attacked some of the cars operated by men who had taken the places of the striking motormen and conductors of the Chester Traction Co. Fearing further trouble, the company decided not to operate the cars until later in the day or until sufficient police protection is provided.

Half a dozen cars were attacked last night in different sections of the city, and several were stoned while passing through near-by towns. Several shots were fired, but no one was seriously injured. Two motormen and two conductors, who were attacked at Eddystone, near here, while running their cars, have disappeared.

The Mayor in a statement to-day says: "We will take care of the situation this time ourselves. We have sworn in extra policemen, and I have instructed them in case of a crisis to shoot to kill."

WHEAT CAUSES HEADACHE.

From October to May, Colds are the most frequent cause of headache. LAXATIVE BROMO is best.

LAD DROWNED.

Had Gone From Children's Home This City.

Welland, Ont., May 26.—The Victoria Day celebration here was marred by the drowning of Albert Cullen, an English boy, aged 17 years. The boy had never been in swimming before. Feeling warm while watching the sports at the Point, he induced two companions to go with him. They chose a spot at the racetrack, which is very deep. When Cullen went down and did not reappear his companions gave the alarm. The water was very muddy, but Percy Hughes secured the body after repeated diving. Four men worked for two hours, but were unable to induce respiration.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children.

The Kind You Have Always Bought Bears the Signature of *Wm. D. Gifford*

WRECKED THE CARRIAGE.

Mount Forest Driving Party Surprised by Bolt of Lightning.

Mount Forest, May 26.—Last night while Mr. Hawk and a party of friends were returning home from Pike Lake, a summer resort about four miles from here, they had an experience that they will not soon forget. A severe thunder storm, accompanied by very sharp lightning, was the cause, one bolt of lightning striking the carriage in which they were riding, making a complete wreck of it, the occupants being thrown out.

Fortunately all escaped serious injury, excepting Mrs. Hawke, who had her arm broken. The rest of the party were stunned for a few minutes, but did not receive any serious injury.

Was Drowned From Bridge.

Rainy River, May 26.—Robert Garie, of this town, while returning from Beaudette, Minn., across the International Bridge, stumbled and fell off the bridge into the water and was drowned. Mr. Garie leaves a wife and several children.

STORE OPENS AT 9 A. M. AT R. MCKAY & CO'S. THURSDAY, MAY 28, 1908. HAMILTON'S MOST PROGRESSIVE STORE. STORE CLOSSES AT 6 P. M.

MCKAY'S SEMI-ANNUAL HURRY-OUT SALE

Commences To-morrow and will Continue For 9 Days
9 Days of Unexampled Value-Giving

To-morrow morning sharp at 9 o'clock we swing our doors open to our Half Yearly Hurry-out Sale. This important sale event, which is always looked forward to with a great deal of interest, will in the matter of value-giving eclipse any previous sale in the store's history. We are prepared for a greater success than ever with broad varieties of the most desirable goods, all of exceptional quality. But most attractive of all is the exceptional value-giving throughout the entire store.

Watch for the colored price tickets to-morrow, they will be red. They will be here and there all over the store and will denote to you the greatest bargains in reliable merchandise ever offered to the women of Hamilton. Read every item in connection with this splendid list and shop first thing in the morning.

The Biggest Bargain in Kid Gloves

Ladies' and Children's Kid Gloves, Worth 75c and \$1.00 Pair, at This Remarkable Sale, Price 29c Pair

To doze only of French Kid Gloves, small sizes in ladies' white only; also assorted colors in children's sizes; some odds and ends of regular stock; nearly all perfect. Hurry first thing in the morning for this bargain. Worth 75c and \$1.00, Thursday sale price 29c pair

Wonderful Pricing of Women's Lisle Thread Hosiery

Regular Value 50c, Hurry-out Sale Price 20c Pair. You Can Buy 3 Pairs for Almost the Price of One Pair

This is the biggest price concession in Women's Hosiery ever made to the women of Hamilton. It's just your chance to lay in your summer stock of Hosiery. On sale in tan, pink, pale blue and black in plain and nice drop stitch effect. Excellent value at 50c, Thursday sale price 20c pr.

Hurry-Out Sale of Gloves

Ladies' Kid Gloves 59c Pair

Odds and ends of regular lines, in Ladies' Fine Kid Gloves, in tans, greys, modes, blacks, whites, 2 dome fasteners, sizes 5 1/2 to 7, regularly \$1.00 and \$1.25, for Hurry-out Sale 59c pair

Long Silk Gloves 69c Pair

Full elbow length in heavy Milanese Silk Gloves, in navy, pink, grey, sky, reseda, helio, white, cream and black, regularly \$1.00 and \$1.25, Hurry-out Sale 69c pair

Hurry-Out Sale of Ribbons 10c Yard

100 ends of Fancy Stitched Dresden and Polka Dot Ribbons, in 3/4 to 5 inches wide, all pure silk, regularly 25 and 35c yard, Hurry-out Sale 10c yard

Ladies' Linen Handkerchiefs 5 for 25c

1,000 dozen of fine Irish Linen Handkerchiefs, nicely hemstitched, also cross-hair and embroidered Handkerchiefs, slightly soiled, worth up to 15c each, Hurry-out Sale 5 for 25c

Hurry-Out Sale of Veilings 19c Yard

100 pieces of Veilings, in black, brown, navy, grey, red, green, white and black, plain and fancy meshes, also small and large chenille spots, regularly 35 and 40c yard, on sale 19c yard

Hurry-Out Sale of Embroideries 5c yd.

Imported direct from the best makers, some 20,000 yards of fine Cambrie Embroideries, 5 to 10 inches wide, in nice eyelet and blind patterns, with fine scalloped, suitable for flouncings on underskirts, also wide open insertions to match, regular 12 1/2, 15, 20c yard, Hurry-out Sale 5c yard; 20 yards to one customer.

Hurry-Out Sale of Fine Allover Embroideries 19c Yard

100 short lengths of Swiss and Cambrie Allovers, 18 inches wide, in dainty little patterns, suitable for children's dresses, worth up to 50c yard, Hurry-out Sale 19c yard

Hurry-Out Sale of Corset Cover Embroideries 19c Yard

Some 1,000 yards of 18-inch Embroidery, for corset covers, nicely embroidered, in floral designs, 4 to 6 inches deep, with inserted beading for ribbon, some choice short lengths, worth up to 35c per yard, Hurry-out Sale 19c yard

Hurry-Out Sale of Laces, 4 Yards for 5c

15,000 yards of fine, round thread English Valenciennes Lace, 1 to 3 inches wide, in dainty floral designs, suitable for trimming fine white underwear, regular 5 and 8c yard, Hurry-out Sale 4 yards for 5c; limited 20 yards.

MONTHS OF PREPARATION

Many of these splendid lines on sale is the result of months of hard labor by our 14 expert buyers, and owing to the state of the money panic, especially in the United States, have gathered together some of the most beautiful new summer lines that they were able to receive at their own kind of price. These will be displayed for you to-morrow with the Red Sale Tickets on, not advertised, and by all means don't miss these opportunities.

Gigantic Hurry-Out Sale in Tailor-Made Suits, Coats, Skirts and Wash Suits

The Biggest and Best Sale Ever Held. The Opportunities for Genuine Bargains Enormous. We Offer the Latest Fashion-Approved Styles, Wonderful Reductions.

Women's \$18 and \$20 Suits at \$1.98

THIS IS TRULY A HURRY-OUT SALE PRICE. NOTE, ONLY 25 OF THESE SUITS TO BE SOLD. They include black Panama and colored, in pretty stripes and checks; coats are silk lined and beautifully tailored in the latest fashion approved styles; skirts are gored, pleated and box pleated; these Suits are positively worth \$18.00 and \$20.00, Hurry-out Sale Price \$1.98

Wash Suits \$1.98

25 only Shirt Waist Suits, in pale blue, black, lawn and white muslin suits, tucked and trimmed with Val. lace and insertion; these are ample suits, and worth from \$5.50 to \$6.75, Hurry-out Sale Price \$1.98

Walking Skirts \$1.89

A splendid assortment of styles in Walking Skirts, gored, pleated and tucked; we have only 35 to offer for this sale; make your selection early; they are worth from \$5.50 to \$6.00, Hurry-out Sale Price \$1.89

Coverl Coats \$3.95

15 only sample Box Coats, beautifully tailored and trimmed with brown broadcloth, coat collar and revers, leg of mutton sleeves, regular \$5.50 and \$6.00, Hurry-out Sale Price \$3.95

Hurry-Out Sale of Blouses and Underskirts

\$1.25 Peter Pan Waists for 69c

Peter Pan Polka Dot Waists, made with colored collar and cuffs, worth regular \$1.25, Hurry-out Sale price 69c

\$3.00 Waists for \$1.49

Dainty Persian Lawn Waists, made with Swiss allover embroidery front, baby back; worth regular \$3.00, Hurry-out Sale price \$1.49

\$5.00 Waists for \$2.98

Exquisite White Lawn Waists, made with Mikado sleeves, embroidery front, embroidery collar and cuffs; worth regular \$5.00, Hurry-out Sale price \$2.98

\$1.25 Sateen Underskirts for 49c

Black Sateen Underskirts, made of superior quality, deep shirred flounce, and finished with frill; worth regular \$1.25, Hurry-out Sale price 49c

Buster Brown Suits and Bonnets

75c and \$1 Bonnets for 49c

Children's Silk Embroidered Bonnets, made with or without ruch; also a line of embroidery Bonnets; regular 75c and \$1.00, Hurry-out Sale price 49c

Boys' Buster Brown Suits in white, linen, black and white stripes, regular \$1.50, Hurry-out Sale price 89c

Hurry-Out Sale of Silks at 29c yd.

About 4,000 yards of fashionable Silks to be sold at the above sale price, mostly all good lengths for waists and dresses, in a lovely assortment of designs and effects, Silks that are worth regularly 75c to \$1.00 yard, Hurry-out Sale Price to-morrow 29c

Remarkable Sale News from the Dress Goods Section

Regular \$1 Broadcloths and Venetians, Hurry-Out Sale Price 59c yd.

Beautiful shades of Chiffon Cloths on sale to-morrow at a remarkable price for just the proper material for pretty suits. This is your opportunity and shrewd buyers will grasp the opportunity, so come early. 48 inches wide, our very best selling cloths, on sale in navies, reds, green and black; on sale to-morrow at almost one-half regular good value at \$1.00, sale price 59c yard.

Voiles, Panamas, Taffeta Cloths at 35c Yard, Regular 75c Materials

You will find displayed for you to-morrow a collection of popular materials in pretty shades of Voiles, Panamas, Taffeta Cloths, etc., all on sale at the one price away below the cost of production, worth up to 75c, Hurry-out Sale price 35c yard.

Whitewear Bargains For Our Hurry-Out Sale

75c Blouse Slips 25c

Ladies' Fine White Lawn Slips, 3/4 sleeves and trimmed with Valenciennes lace at neck, regular 75c, Thursday 25c

Drawers 25c

Ladies' Drawers, of fine cimbrie, umbrella style and trimmed with hemstitched tucks, special 25c

\$1.50 Skirts 79c

White Skirts, of fine cambrie, with 27-inch flounce, trimmed with curly insertion and tucks, worth \$1.50, Thursday 79c

Corset Covers 25c

Fine Nainsook Covers, full front and trimmed with tereon lace, special 25c

Hurry-Out Sale of Carpets and Rugs

Tremendous Reductions All Through the Department

Velvet Squares \$21.50

Handsome line Velvet Squares, size 4x3 yards, very best quality, seamless; worth \$27.50, Hurry-out price \$21.50

Wilton Squares \$32.30

Immense range Wil on Squares, size 4x3 yards, very fine quality, elegant colorings; worth \$40.00, Hurry-out price \$32.30

Axminster Squares \$35.75

Beautiful line Axminster Squares, size 4x3 yards, very best quality, seamless, special value at \$45.00, Hurry-out price \$35.75

Tapestry Carpets 37 1/2c

700 yards Tapestry Carpet, extra choice patterns, serviceable quality; worth 50 and 60c, Hurry-out price 37 1/2c

Tapestry Carpets 55c

1,200 yards Tapestry Carpet, hard-wearing quality, A1 patterns and colorings; worth 75 and 70c, Hurry-out price 55c

Brussels Carpets 75c

950 yards heavy English Brussels Carpets, very serviceable quality, splendid patterns; worth \$1.15, Hurry-out price 75c

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