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'Margaret,' The GIRL ARTIST, OR, The Countess of Ferrers Court.

CHAPTER XX.

"I only heard you singing," said Margaret.

The words and the gentle tone, together with the beautiful face with its sad expression, seemed to fascinate the girl, and she drew nearer, saying timidly:

"But I was making a tremendous noise! You are painting?"

"Yes," answered Margaret, with a sigh, "I am trying to do so."

"What a lovely spot you have chosen," said the girl, looking round, "May I see what you have done? I am so fond of art myself, but—and she made a little grimace—"I am a shocking stick!"

Then she closed furiously and laughed with pretty embarrassment.

"That's slang, I know. I beg your pardon! But I learn it from Ferdie! There—how stupid of me! Of course, you don't know who Ferdie is; he is my brother."

By this time she had looked at the canvas.

"Why!" she exclaimed, "that is beautiful! You are an artist!"

"A poor one," said Margaret, smiling in spite of herself at the girl's enthusiasm.

"Oh, no; you are a real artist!" she said. "I know the real from the sham, because we have so many of the latter staying in Florence. Poor Florence! They make dubs of her all the year round, and send them about the world as true pictures, while they are only libels. But yours will be a beautiful picture! How splendidly you have got those trees there, and that bit of cloud. Oh!" and she sighed. "I would give ten years of my life if I could ever paint like that!"

"That would be rather a heavy price if your life should be as happy all through as it is now," said Margaret, in her sweet, gentle fashion.

The girl looked at her and pondered for a moment, then she flung herself on the grass beside Margaret, and said:

"Do you know, you reminded me of mamma just then. That is just how she speaks when she wants to scold me for one of my extravagancies. Of course I wouldn't give ten years—or one year—of my life for anything; who would?"

Margaret sighed. How gladly would she have given all the remainder of her life to be able to wipe out the past! never to have seen Blair, or to have known those few short weeks of happiness.

"It all depends," said Margaret,



out clear and musical above the trees: "Florence! Florence!"

The girl laughed and sprang to her feet, then she sunk down again as quickly.

"It is Ferdie!" she said. "Let him find me if he can!" and in a falsetto which rang quaintly through the hills she called, "Ferdie! Ferdie!"

Margaret heard the dull beat of a horse's hoofs as the rider rode this way and that, misled by the echo, then, as tired of the sport, the girl sprang to her feet and shouted with a full round tone, Margaret saw a handsome young man ride pell-mell at them.

"Oh, take care, take care, Ferdie!" shouted the girl, but the warning came too late; the horse struck the leg of the easel with its fore hoof, and over went the whole apparatus, paint box, brushes, and the rest, leaving Margaret sitting smiling amidst the ruins.

The girl uttered a cry of dismay, and the young fellow, almost before he had pulled the horse in, flung himself from the saddle and stood bare-headed and penitent before Margaret.

"Oh, Ferdie, Ferdie, how could you be so reckless?" exclaimed the girl.

He put up his hand as if to silence her, then, as he went on his knees to recover the scattered implements, he said:

"Signorina, I am overwhelmed with shame! Believe me, I did not suspect that any one was here beside this mad-cap sister of mine! Pardon me, I pray you! Have I broken anything—have I frightened you? I shall never forgive myself! Is that right?" and he put the easel in its place with the greatest and most anxious care.

"Thank you, yes," said Margaret. "No harm has been done. You did not see me; that bush hid me. Please do not mind; it does not in the least signify."

"Oh, but—" he said, arranging the palette and paints with the nicest carefulness—"it signifies so much that I shall not sleep in peace unless you will forgive me!"

It was an Italian speech, but it was spoken with an air of sincerity that was singularly English, and the speaker's eyes were fixed so earnestly and pleadingly upon Margaret's face that the color rose, and she bent down and got her brushes to hide it. The girl gilded to her side.

"Poor Ferdie! But it was very stupid of him, and he might have hurt you as well as the easel, and then I should never have forgiven him, whatever you had done. But you will forgive him, will you not?"

She seemed to set so much value on the expression of forgiveness that Margaret, with a soft laugh, said at once:

"Certainly, I forgive him!"

The young man's face cleared instantly, and with the slight foreign accent which was more marked in him than his sister, he said:

"I am deeply grateful! I do not deserve it. Florence, have you told the lady your name? Will you tell her mine?"

The girl at this direct invitation stepped forward, and with a little graceful movement of the hand, said:

"Madame, let me present to you my brother, Prince Ferdinand Rivani."

"And I, the Princess Florence, my sister," said the prince; and the prince bowed, and the young girl dropped a courtesy in courtly fashion.

"And now we have been formally introduced," said the girl, with a merry laugh. "We are friends, are we not, and you will come to see us? Ferdie, the lady—"

She hesitated and looked at Margaret, and Margaret, with downcast eyes, said:

"Miss Leslie."

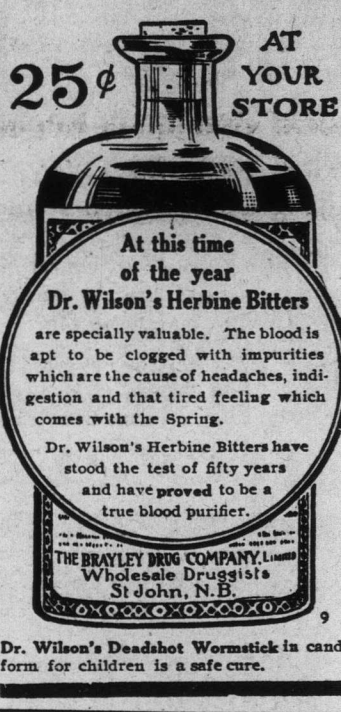
"Miss Leslie! What a pretty name! Why, it is more Italian than English, I think. Miss Leslie is staying at the hotel."

The prince drew himself up, and, with the same fixed regard of respectful, almost reverential, admiration, said:

"I shall have the honor of waiting upon Miss Leslie to-morrow—if she permits."

A servant who had been holding the horse came up, and as the prince mounted, the princess drew near and bent over Margaret.

"Mind! We are to be friends, you and I! I shall come with Ferdinand to-morrow!" then, laying her hand



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Andrew Brothers
Abeil, B.
Anderson, Miss Katie, card
Austin, Chas., Freshwater Road
- B**
Barrow, Miss Susie, Freshwater Rd.
Babcock, T. C.
Baird, M., Freshwater Road
Baines, Mrs. Wm., New Gower St.
Bratton, Mrs. John
Barrett, Miss Ethel
Byrne, Miss A., Duckworth St.
Bull, Wm., Mt. Scio
Bellow, Miss J., Water St.
Bride, Thomas, Water St.
Brown, Mrs. Samuel, late Bay Roberts
Brown, Mrs. George (of George)
Bollen, Miss Charlotte
Bowman, William
Bundell, Ezekiah, Spencer St.
Burton, Major and Mrs.
Butt, Samuel H.
Butler, Walter
Barrett, Miss Annie, Pennywell Rd.
Bartlett, Ernest
Baldon, Miss Charlotte, Gower St.
Boswell, Thomas
Butler, James, Brine St.
Bell, H. T.
Brown, Alfred
- C**
Carrigan, Mrs. John, Flower Hill
Clancey, Mrs. H., Newtown Road
Cavanagh, Mrs. Simon, Water St. West
Coady, Michael
Cole, Arthur, care Harvey & Co.
Coady, M.
Coburn, Miss May, Victoria St.
Coleman, Mrs., Spencer St.
Codner, Mrs. A. E., Water St.
Cocker, Miss Minnie
Coleman, Thomas, Barter's Hill
Connors, P. J.
Cullen, Miss Lillian, care G. P. O.
Coles, Miss Mary
Crowley, Miss May, Job's Square
Chalk, John, Williams' Lane
Cole, Mrs. John St.
Casey, Mrs. John, Parade St.
Carberry, M. J., Bell St.
Cook, Miss G. L., card
Colbert, Miss Clara, New Gower St.
- D**
Day, John
Daly, Willis
Duches, Mrs. Annie, card, Gower St.
Dempsy, Catherine
Dean, Thos., care General Delivery
Doyle, Miss Margaret, Monkstown Rd.
Donnelly, John, card
Doody, John, Mundy Pond Rd.
Dorothy, Miss Jennie, Casey St.
Doyle, Mrs. Jas., Casey St.
Duff, Michael, card
Duke, Patrick
Duff, Alice J., Water St.
Dunphy, A., Victoria St.
Dunphy, Thomas
Dunn, Andrew
Durrant, Mrs. James, Lime St.
Day, George V.
Dwyer, Mrs. J., Holdsworth St.
- E**
Ebsary, Albert, S. S. Glencoe
Elliott, Richard W., care Gen'l Delivery
Emblem, Ruth K.
Ellisworth, Pte. G., George's St.
- F**
Fraser, Miss Minnie, care F. B. Wood
Fennessy, James
French, Wm., Gower St.
Fitzgerald, Miss Mary
Fitzgerald, Miss V., card, Pleasant St.
Forsey, J. E.
Fox, Miss Jane, Waterford Bridge Rd.
Foyes, G. O., George's St.
Fulford, C. E.
Flemming, Mrs., Newtown Road
Flynn, Nellie, Military Road
Ford, H. H., care John Ford, — St. Furlong, Minnie
- G**
Gardner, Mrs. Laurence, care Balsam
Garland, Miss Emma J., Waterford Bridge Road
Garland, Miss Helen, Water St.
Gardner, Miss Minnie, Freshwater Rd.
Greely, Mrs. James
Green, Miss Lydia, care Mrs. Bearns, Gower St.
Gren, O. P., care G. P. O.
Gibson, R., card
Giles, J. B., card, late Coley's Point
Goodland, Mrs. A. J., slip, Victoria St.
- H**
Helphard, Nelson, off Newtown Rd.
Hayward, Miss Katie
Hiscock, George, late Holyrood
Hickey, Miss Aggie, late Holyrood
Hiscock, J. W., Balsam Place
Hill, Miss Maud, Water St.
Hilliar, Miss Zitie, card
Hickey, Miss Aggie, care Gen. Delivery
Higgins, George, care Gen. Delivery
Hollett, Samuel, care Gen. Delivery
Horwood, Norman
House, Capt. Ed.
Hopkins, Mr.
Horwood, R., card
Houlihan, Mary, care Mrs. Cooper, LeMarchant Road
House, Gordon, care G. P. O.
Hallamore, C. W.
Haynes, Wm., Central St.
Houlihan, Miss Mary, Freshwater Rd.
- I**
Idollas, H. J.
- J**
Jennings, Frederick, Richmond St.
Johnston, McBride's Hill
Joy, Mrs. John, Lime St.
- K**
Kennedy, Edward
Kennedy, Terrence, New Gower St.
Kent, William, Patrick St.
Kin, Mrs. Bertha
- L**
Learning, Joseph, late Alexander Bay
Lewis, Patrick, Booman St.
Lewis, Mrs., card, Brazil's Square
Lyons, Gregory, care Gen. Delivery
Lynch, Miss Julia, Prescott St.
Linegar, Thomas, Newtown Road
Long, Mr., City
- M**
Malyan, F., Gower St.
Malone, Michael, late Badger
Manuel, C. A.
Martin, Mrs. S.
Martin, Mrs. George, Casey St.
Maley, Mrs. Thomas, Water St. West
Marshall, Mrs. M., King's Rd.
Martin, Mrs. T. H., Forest Rd.
Madden, Mrs. J.
Madden, John, South Side
Mercur, S. R., care G. P. O.
Mitchell, Mrs. Adelaide Street
Miller, Miss S.
Mitchell, Mrs. H. C., Gower St.
Molloy, Mrs. Mary
Moore, Miss A., Carew St.
Moore, Pte. Leo, ret'd.
Mills, Julia, Pennywell Road
Mills, T. C.
Morley, James
Moore, E. B., or C.
Moore, Robert
Moore, Neddie, Butterline Factory
Murphy, Frank
Mutford, Miss Mabel, care Mrs. Syme
Murphy, Patrick, Riverhead
Murphy, Patrick, care Mrs. Jas. Boone
Moore, J.
- Mc**
McD. Lillie, Ronald, Patrick St.
McKenney, Miss Nellie, Gower St.
- N**
Noseworthy, Miss Minnie, LeMarchant Road
- O**
Olsen, Miss Nellie, care G. P. O.
O'Brien, Thomas, James St.
O'Brien, Mrs. Reuben, George St.
Osmond, Miss A., New Gower St.
Osmond, Miss Della, late Grand Falls
O'Carin, James
- P**
Parsons, H. C.
Parsons, H. H., Hamilton St.
Parrell, Wm., Neagle's Hill
Pearse, H. T.
Pye, Edward, care General P. O.
Penny, Thomas W., Freshwater Rd.
Pennell, James, care Mrs. Spracklin, Water St.
Penny, Bert, Carnell St.
Penny, Mrs. M.
Pike, Miss Blanche, care General Delivery
Pinsent, Chesley, G. P. O.
Phillips, E. J., G. P. O.
Pitcher, Caleb, care British Hall
Piercy, Frank, S. S. Prospero
Pike, Herb, S. S. Prospero
Prowse, G. F.
Power, Miss Josie, Duckworth St.
Poole, James, New Gower St.
Powor, Michael, care Royal Stores
Puddister, Hannah, Hamilton St.
Puddister, Nora
Perchard, Mrs. Chas., Monroe St.
Puddister, Mrs. Nora, Gower St.
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Quick, R. C.
Quigley, George, Contractor
Quigley, Miss Bessie, Water St. West
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Ryan, Chas., Gower St.
Reardon, Miss Elsie, South Side Rd.
Regan, Miss Mary, Water St.
Redly, Michael, care Hon. Geo. KnKowling
Randell, Capt.
Richards, Miss F.
Reinholt, A., Parage Street
Richards, Miss Eva B., Young St.
Roll, Miss M., card, Freshwater Rd.
Rogers, Albert, Water St. West
Ross, Geo. Mt. Scio
Roberts, George, slip, Allandale Rd.
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Roache, Miss Mary
Rodway, Miss Ethel, Freshwater Rd.
Rodgers, Miss Lillie May, George St.
Ryan, Miss Katie, Carter's Hill
Rodgers, Miss Lillie May, George St.
Rolls, Miss Frances, card, Cookstown Road
Ryan, Mrs. Tom
Roberts, T. J.
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Sparks, James, Long's Hill
Sauders, Mr.
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Skeans, Mrs. J., Field St.
Stevens, J. J.
Scheffman, Solomon
Stead, Mrs., Casey St.
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Stuckland, Benjamin, Spencer St.
Sinchon, Mary, LeMarchant Rd.
Smith, Robert, Hamilton St.
Strong, James, care Gen'l Delivery
Snow, Master Wm., Water St.
Somerton, Miss A.
Scurry, Michael
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Squires, Henry, Summer St.
Squires, Miss Alice, Summer St.
Spurrell, Miss D. B.
Squires, Joseph, Long's Hill
Sullivan, Angus
Spurrell, Miss Margaret
- T**
Tapper, Miss A.
Twarder, Mrs. F., Hayward Ave.
Tibbo, Jack
Thomas, John M.
Tucker, James, New Gower St.
- V**
Vardy, Jessie, Theatre Hill
Vokey, Philip, Carnell St.
Vokey, Mrs. Mary Ann, Coronation St.
- W**
Walsh, Thomas, Long Pond Rd.
Weitzel, J.
Weir, James, Newtown Rd.
West, J. R., care Gen'l Delivery
Walsh, Mrs. E., Lime St.
Whelan, Miss Bride, Casey St.
Wheeler, Miss Crissie, Monkstown Rd.
Wiseman, John, slip, late Port Nelson
Wheeler, Miss Emily A., care G.P.O.
Williams, Jack, Carter's Hill
White, Mr. E., LeMarchant Rd.
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many of British prisoners of
which the Hon. Mr. Justice
is chairman, has issued a re-
the conditions prevailing in
tenberg camp during the ty-
demie of last year.

The report is based on infor-
from repatriated prisoners, es-
pecially from Major Priestley,
Vidal and Captain Lauder of
my Medical Corps, who were
the camp shortly after the out-
the epidemic, and who were
released from Germany.

The three officers mentioned
only survivors of six British
sent to the Wittenberg camp
Germans, "to take up" sup-
port, "the place of duty aban-
their own medical staff, when
sence of typhus manifested it-

The records of the epidemic
by the British officers, were
from them before their depart-
Germany, but the report does
tell the condition of the camp
treatment of prisoners and
which the American Ambassa-
James W. Gerard, in his re-
November, said was "even
favorable than I had been
pect."

According to the released
there are 15,000, and some of
prisoners in the camp, which
mittee says "is an enormou-
tion for so restricted an area
and a half acres." There
proper heating arrangements,
men were insufficiently cloth-
overcoats having been taken
them, their other clothing be-
rags. Many had neither
socks. There was an insuffi-
ply of water and soap, and
Priestly says he found the
"gaunt, of a peculiar gray pa-
verminous."

"The supply of food was ab-
cient even in the hospital,
plies arrived from England."
"The only provision for
cleanliness made for the
report, "was one cupful
soap, issued at intervals of
weeks, to a room containing
consequence the men be-
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