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Naturally this cemented the odd, onesided friendship, and by the time that Jefferson had grown sure enough of his standing to propose on special occasions that she should make the tea hour a bit earlier, so that he could secure a little of her time to himself before Jocelyn could arrive to claim it, an idea had matured in Celia's brain. The resoive once taken, she put it into

immediate execution.
"He asked me to be here early and now I find he has left a note saying he can't be back until 7," she said. "It is vexing." It was an evening when, a theater having seen arranged, Celia had called for her lover

on her road to the restaurant. "I shall wait for him here, for it is no use dining by myself. Where you going out?" "No," he answered promptly, though his engagement book would have told another tale. "I dined in the middle of the day.

I'll stay here if I'm not in the way." "I want you to go," said Celia eagerly. She looked strung up tonight and her face was flushed prettily. Jefferson felt a dull glow of satisfaction stealing over him, which was as pleasant as it was unwonted. He

wasn't used to being wanted.
"What is it?" he asked.
She came straight so the point. "It is about Jocelyn. You know, don't you, that he has not been feeling well enough lately to do his work without the tonic of wine or

-of spirits, Mr. Jefferson?" "Yes, I know that." Jefferson's ugly face looked as stolidly unconscious as was his

Celia hesitated a moment, a delicate upright little figure outlined sharply against the waning daylight of the uncurtained window, and then she took the plunge. "He makes a mistake, Mr. Jefferson; it is not good for him. And tonics are often dan-

gerous when the doses are increased, as he does with his." You mean you are afraid he may, unwittingily, of course, take to drinking," her listener amended quietty. It seemed to him a false kindness not to show he understood.

Such things, of course, do happen, Miss She turned and faced him suddenly with that quick indrawn breath heralding her words, which was eloquent enough to those

who knew her. "Such things do happen," she cried scornfully, "and yet you can waste your manhood over stones and tablets without putting out

one finger to stem something of the sin and misery around you."
"Miss Brown!" He stood up, dumfounded at the attack.

"You call him your friend," she went on, "and you think this horribe thing may come, and you live with him and yet you never do anything to prevent him."

Jefferson looked at her curiously, at the tightened clasp of her hands on the window ledge, at the color coming and going in her cheeks, and he wondered why her words should have the power to hurt him. He

had done his best to prevent him, but he wasn't going to tell her that.
"What do you want me to do" he said at last, when he had waited for her to go on, and she had been silent. "I dare say I have

been horribly selfish. but I will try to do what you tell me." It is rather a woman's way to long for assistance when she is being made to feel her impotency, and then to shrink from his desire as soon as gained for fear of some possible disloyalty to that other to whom her

allegiance is due. Celia grew frightened, and consequently began to generalize. "There is nothing exactly to do," she said. lamely, "and I don't mean so much because Jocelyn had such foolish notions. I mean that I think it is a terrible thing, a despicable thing, to so narrow your interests that you care nothing for other people." Here she looked up and met his eyes, "I beg

your pardon. I——"
"Don't. Why should you?" he asked.
"I like plain speaking, and it's true enough, for I care precious little for other people as

He hesitated, as she had done, and looked at her with an intentness for which she could not account.
"I'il do what I can for him, Miss Brown,"

he said, slowly.

The talk seemed suddenly to have languished. Celia was till pondering over the strangeness of his gaze, and finally decided that when he answered her his thoughts had been very far away. Jefferson was thinking that after all it would have been as well if he had allowed that evening's engagement to stand. He wondered how she would look if he told her what these meetings had grown to mean to him. He supposed he was blunted -probably men were apt to get blunted when they had no woman folk belonging to them—but for the life of him he could not see where the dishonor came in. It would not injure Jocelyn-he smiled grimly as he pictured that young man's calm disdain at the mere idea of rivalry being possible. It certainly would not injure Celia. While, as to himself-he took a sudden resolve.

'Miss Brown.' Celia's thoughts had been as far away as she had accused his of being. She came back

to ti. present with a start. "I made a mistake. I have an important engagement to-night, and I am going off to keep it. But I want to speak to you first, I promised just now to help you, didn't I? I want to tell you that why I did is because—"
Celia had just time to revert to her origi-

nal ideas as to the woodenness and lack of emotion in his manner when, with a sudden gulp, he ended: "I love you."

The startled inquiry in her eyes was more eloquent than words. Afterward Jefferson was glad to remember that there had been no indignation in them; she trusted him too

her passive, "for you were going to tell it word for word to Jocelyn to-night, I should say it just the same, and he would never re-sent it. But that night when Simmons came, and the paper was decided on, do you remember? He wanted you to marry him then and there, and you refused."

"I was shut up in the inner room, and saw your face just at that moment. Jocelyn told me the rest. It was the noblest thing I ever came across in my life—this breaking your own heart, and daring to madden and hurt him, just because you thought it

The dull, montonous voice ceased for an instant, and again the little dry gulp was heard in the silence.

"Perhaps it was not so very noble or out of the way after all. Perhaps women are always doing that kind of thing, and it is only who don't happen to have come across them. But it made me understand better, and realize a good deal which I had not be-

Then I came to know you."
The twilight had crept on apace, and he could see her white face but dimly.
"That is all." The pause had been long.
"Of course I shall keep out of your way after this, and probably I shall never see you again. But I'll stick like a leech to locally and and ach I shall healt with You Jocelyn, and -- oh, I shall be all right. You mustn't mind about me."

"I only told you because, as you care so much about helping and setting right again and—and so on—I thought it might please you one of these days to remember what you have done for me. Good-night." Celia put out the small hand, the touch of which always gave Jefferson such a sense of his own strength, and while it lay for the moment in his she tried to say something to

"Don't try," he said, and loosed her hand gentiy.

It was the last piece of comprehension he gave her, for by the time she had dried the veiling tears had gone.

The marriage came off ten months later. Then Jefferson took his friend in hand. ne set himself with a dogged resolution to compass that one thing Celia desired, and on the night of parting he vowed through his clenged teeth that nothing should balk him.

And nothing did. Jocelyn's querulous resentment of this high-handed intereference, his many backslidings, and the furious quarrels into which they were finally led did not turn Jefferson one hair's breadth from his purpose. He knew he was the stronger nature. He clung to him as faithfully as his shadow, and took all his courage and bad temper with stoical indifference, and in the end he not only conquered, but was thanked for his devotion by Jocelyn in a burst of that genuine emotion which men so rarely show to each other, and which

usually cements friendship for life. Jefferson cared for it not one jot. He had carried through the one thing she had ever asked him to do, and when the wedding was definitely fixed he suddenly left England.

"I do hope the poor chap is not off his head," Jocelyn told his bride in all serious-"for I feel sure that wretched secretaryship could have waited another week or two. I asked him if he didn't think it would be better manners to say good-by to you, and he said he had. Did he, Celia?

He spoke her name a second time, for, though she was looking straight back into the eyes whose blue was never misty now, she had not answered him.

Then, "Oh, yes," she said, and she shivered a little. "Not quite immediately beered a little. 'Not quite immediately before he started, but I remember it well. Oh, yes, he said good-by; but I remember it well. Oh, yes, he said good-by."

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day evening next, March 19. Capt. McDougall, of the C. P. R. steamer Athabasca, who has been residing here during the winter, left on Tuesday, March 12, for Owen Sound to superintend the fitting out of his ves-

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immediately.

Fourth ward ratepayers seem to have a grievance against the school trustees in not opening the empty room in the ward school house. Quite a few of the children have to walk nearly a mile to the Russell street school. Some parents threaten to take legal proceedings unless something is done.

SARNIA.

("Advertiser" Agent, D. McMaster.)

March 14.—Miss L. H. Wilkins left on Wednesday last for Grimsby, where

she has accepted a position as head

milliner with the firm of E. J. Palmer

well street. He commences the erection

The Order of the Guiding Star will

give a social at the resdence of Mrs.

Frank Godly, Christina street, Tues-

of his new brick block on Front street

Mr. Pringle, an old American pensioner, died at his residence in the fourth ward Monday in the 73rd year of his age. He was interred in Lakeview Cemetery on Wednesday with Masonic honors.

Rev. W. G. Jordan, B.A., of Strathroy, will preach the anniversary sermons at the Albert Street Presbyterian Church on Sunday, March 31, at 11 a.m. and 7 p.m. On the Monday evening ng the annual entertainment will follow be held in the church. Speeches will be delivered by Revs. Dr. Thompson, H. C. Speller, of Sarnia, and W. G. Jordan, of Strathroy. A good programme of reading and vocal and instrumental

music will also be provided.

Rev. H. C. Speller will preach in the Baptist Church Sunday evening from the parable of the sower. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Miss Maggie MacKenzie left Wednes-

day evening for two months' visit with friends in Southern California. One of the steamers which has been lying at Port Huron since last fall came over to Point Edward on Tuesday and unloaded 65,000 bushels of corn at the G. T. R. elevator.

A large number of Sarnia Maccabees attended a meeting of Diamond Tent, Port Huron, on Tuesday evening. They were most cordially received, and report having a splendid time. They arrived home about 11 o'clock.

Last Sunday evening No. 1 Company, Boys' Brigade, marched to the Presbyterian Church, when Rev. Dr. Thompson preached a special sermon to the boys.

A large crowd gathered in the town hall on Wednesday night, March 13, to enjoy a concert given by the band of the Twenty-seventh Battalion and the Enterpe Club, of Port Huron. It was for the benefit of the widow and children of the late bandmaster, Mr. Reardon, who, on account of his sudden and unexpected death, were unprovided for

and absolutely penniless. On Wednesday, March 20, the meeting of the creditors of the estate of W. B. Clark will be held in the town hall. It is to be hoped that arrangements may be made whereby the firm will be able to resume business at the old stand once more.

Wm. Farr has been awarded the contract for steel runners for the fire hose wagon. His tender was for \$27 34 and was the lowest.

The Conservative have awakened out of their long sleep and secured rooms over Barron's music store, where the faithful can meet every night and figure on how much majority Mr. James F. Lister, M.P., will have at the next

There are 39 prisoners confined in our county jail, the majority of them being confined as vagrants. Mr. S. M. Ingersoll, of Sarnia townsehip, was fined \$20 and costs by R. C. Palmer, license inspector, for selling

liquor without a license A large number of our citizens are suffering from a severe form of la grippe, but no deaths from that cause have been reported.

Some of the fourth ward ratepayers vould like to know what the council is going to do about the bridge across the tunnel, which was to be attended to the first week in February.

Dogs are awfully scarce around this town just now. The assessor is on his rounds and the dogs keep out of sight. Del Tomblay is buying the livery business from Jos. Ellison which is conducted in the old Victoria Hall building on Lochiel street.

MIDDLESEX.

There is talk of a carpet factory to employ 45 hands to be established in Glencoe.

W. S. Calvert, the Liberal candidate for West Middlesex, will address the electors at Walker's school house, Metcalfe, Wednesday, March 20; school section No. 9, Mosa, McLachlan school, on Thursday, March 21, and Springfield school house, Metcalfe, on Friday, March 22. The meetings will commence at 8 o'clock.

One of those pleasant events which bring joy and happiness was witnessed at the residence of Mr. Thomas Scott, sen., graded road, Delaware, on Wednesday evening, March 6, when his daughter Frances E. was united in mar-riage to Mr. Andrew E. Isaac, of Lucan. Miss Ackland, late principal of Komoka public school, assisted the bride, and Miss Isaac acted as maid of honor. while Mr. Andrew Isaac octed as groomsman. Rev. Mr. Garbutt, assisted by Rev. Mr. Jackson, both of Lambeth, performed the ceremony. A bountiful repast and social evening was enjoyed by all. A great many use ful and costly presents were received. The happy pair left for their home amid showers of congratulations, good wishes and rice.

ALVINSTON

("A 'vertiser" Agent, P. A. McDiarmid.) Ma ch 14.—Revival meetings are being held in the Methodist Church during this week. Races were held at the rink last Mon-

day night. The free-for-all was won by S. Williams, the green race by M. Mulholland and the barrel race by F. Darvoux. The rink will soon close Mr. J. W. Smith, of Brooke, will hold a sale of farm stock and implements and move to town. He will occupy the house in which Mr. R. Davis now lives. Logs still continue to come in and all is busy near the stave mill. Between 40 and 50 men are employed at present. Several of our citizens have received a formal notice to go to Sarnia next week in connection with the Conn trial. Mr. Charles Pettit now shows his friends a large wildcat which he has Charley is a great sportsman and an expert shot notwithstanding his 285 nounds.

Mr. Niphen is busy forming a company to purchase the imported German coach horse which he has brought here. Much interest is taken here in the Hendershott trial. All papers containing accounts of it are regularly read.

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CONSIDERABLE INCREASE

In the Estimates for Public School Purposes.

No. 2 committee of the Board of Education will ask for a large increase in their estimates for the coming financial year as compared with the last twelve months. A meeting of the committee was held yesterday afternoon and Trus-Mr. David Barr, jeweler, has moved his stock from his Front street store to Randal Kenny's new store on Cromtees Martyn (chairman), Greenlees, Wilson, Keenleyside, Turner, Johnston and Buchner, Secretary McElheran, Principal Merchant and Inspector Carson were present. The estimates prepared were presented as follows: Collegiate Institute-General repairs\$2,500

Fuel 1,000 Janitors' expenses 1,180 Water and gas 400 Electricity 50 Public schools—
General repairs \$2,575 Fuel 5,000 Janitors' salaries 4,500 Cleaning outer closets Water and gas 500 Unforeseen expenses 600

For both public schools and the Collegiate Institute a total of \$18,355 will be asked. This is an increase of \$4,532 25 over the estimate of last year. The committee considered this the lowest sum that could be set, and the figures Were referred to the audit committee. W. F. Howell, plumber, made a proposition which seemed to meet with approval. He wanted to renew his offer of three years ago-to put the plumbing in all the schools in a proper state of repair at \$10 each. "It appears as though we could save money by accepting the offer," said Trustee Greenless. "Plumbers run away with an enormous amount of money every year." Filed for reference. Messrs. J. Smail and D. Macdonald, janitors at Lorne and Princess avenue schools, applied for increase of salary, each complaining of extra work. The applications were filed, as the question of janitors' salaries would be reopened if increases were given. Inspector Carson, with Trustees Johnston, Buchner, Griffin and Craig, will act as a committee to arrange for the occupation of two rooms in the Presbyterian Mission school on Waterloo street south. This is to relieve the overcrowding in Aberteen and Simcoe schools. A number of supplies were ordered and a large batch of accounts were paid.

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