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The Romance of a Marriage.

CHAPTER XI.

"I fancied Alice had rather a sharp tongue," he says, "from her soft ways."

Paula smiles at him.

"What a wonderful thing it is," she says, half to herself.

"What is wonderful, my rose?" he says.

She laughs again, with quiet enjoyment.

"To think you cared for me instead of Alice," she says. "Everybody falls in love with her. Alice is regarded as fatal by us all."

He smiles, with an air of deep enjoyment.

"Really? For why?"

"Why?" says Paula, taking off her hat, and attempting to smooth the thick, chestnut hair, somewhat ruffled by his strong arms. "Why?" rather incredulously and indignantly. "Isn't she our beauty?"

Herrick looks at her with a smile.

"Oh!" he says. "But I prefer plain people."

Paula reddens and laughs.

"It is execrable taste," she says; "no one will understand it. You must really have a depraved taste to prefer red hair to golden."

"Is it red?" he says, rising and kissing her. "So it is. I did not know it. Yes, it is a depraved taste, isn't it? Never mind; perhaps we can dye it."

Paula laughs. Every little joke would make her new-born joy break into laughter.

"You simple child!" he says, twisting her. "As if one could hesitate between you! Alice beside you is as the cold snowdrift beside the beautiful red rose."

"Hush!" she says. "That is downright heresy. Beside Alice I am a dowdy. Never mind, we must look over your want of taste and forgive you. I wonder," after a pause, "what Alice will say?"

It is a simple question, but it brings him bolt upright.

"So do I," he says, gravely, and rather ruefully. "I wonder what she will say, and Bob likewise?"

A sudden flush covers Paula's face as she remembers Bob's outspoken opinion of her lover. "Oh, Bob—" she says, then stops.

"Bob is a good fellow," he says,

"and will be complaisant; but sister Alice—"

A pause.

"My poor Paula! This is a sorry kind of bargain you have made this afternoon."

"Is it?" with a little curve of the lip. "I am satisfied—don't!" warding him off.

"A miserable kind of bargain," he says, thoughtfully. "Do you know," slowly, and with a rueful smile, "that I am very poor, my darling?"

She turns to him, her face all aglow with the old witching smile.

"If I have one ambition in life," she says, "it is to be a pauper's bride!"

"Then," he retorts, "your wish will be gratified. Thanks to the old Powis habit of getting rid of everything worth keeping, I am that interesting but mournful spectacle, a man of title without a penny."

She laughs.

"Do you sweep the crossings at the Bank of England, or what?" she says, treating the matter—she, who is so ignorant of the world—as an excellent jest.

He looks down gravely, and a dark shadow passes over his face—a shadow from that past which he would fain bury from sight.

"A pauper baronet!" he says, not bitterly, but solemnly.

She laughs softly—in her innocence.

"It sounds deliciously romantic—like the title of a three-volume novel. Why do you look so grave? You can't help being a baronet, you know."

He looks up, cheered by her fearlessness.

"No," he says: "that is really more my misfortune than my fault. We won't think of anything but our love to-day, Paula; to-morrow will be time enough to face sister Alice."

"And Major Vericourt," says Paula. "It is an innocent addition, but it seems to startle him for the moment."

"Yes," he says, "and my beautiful uncle, and he helps her to rise, stealing a kiss as he does so."

And so they go on, happily unconscious that while they have been plighting troth, the major, sitting in the cosiest chair in the smoking-room of the Court, has been shuffling the cards for a new game, and that the principal card he hold in his hand is his nephew, Sir Herrick.

CHAPTER XII.

Even if his ordinary moments Major Vericourt is considered what the ladies call "a charming man;" but when he puts forth the whole strength of his phenomenal powers of pleasing, he becomes irresistible.

Nature has done a great deal for him; has furnished him with an aristocratic, patrician air smacking of the Old World; has endowed him with a handsome face which seems to defy the ravages of time; has given him a voice particularly soft, and sweet, and winning, and where Nature stopped short, art stepped in and completed the marvel. Indeed, the major is such a wonderful mixture of art and nature that it is difficult to decide where the one ends and the other begins. Without doubt, if he had taken to the stage instead of the army, he would have gained world-wide celebrity as an actor; every gesture, every word, is studied, and goes to produce a desired effect; his very attitudes have been developed and brought out with the greatest care, and the smile that strikes the beholder with a peculiar fascination is the result of much thought and long and arduous practice.

The extraordinary part of it is that in looking and listening to him one forgets that it is an old man that is speaking and smiling, and begins to persuade one's self that there must be some mistake, or that the major has discovered the magic draught which renews youth and renders man immortal.

Yes, it is admirably done. Of course there is much powder, and rouge, and Parisian etais; but they are applied and worn with such discretion and ease that one forgets to take them into account. As the major was once heard to remark, "Anyone can conceal his age, but the thing is to remain young," and that is exactly what Major the Honourable Francis Vericourt has achieved.

Long before the landau has reached the Court he has succeeded in throwing a spell over his companions; has, by a few judicious and subtle flatteries, put Alice in the best of humours, and actually caused her to forget her dilapidated attire; and has made even May laugh in her quiet, deprecatory way. As for Mr. Palmer, by a delicately suggested air of deference and attention, the major has convinced the eminent sugar-baker that the major is full of gratitude to the accident for giving him an opportunity of meeting him. So that, when the carriage draws up at the bottom of the flight of stone steps leading to the noble entrance-hall, the owner of the Court is smiling with gratification and self-satisfaction like a huge turkey-cock.

"And now," says the major, having helped the two girls to alight with a style that perhaps no other man in the kingdom could approach—"and now I fear I must make my adieu!" and he sighs audibly with a glance all around, as if parting were indeed a sorrow.

But Mr. Palmer will not hear of it, and warring almost tearful in his earnestness, entreats the major to enter and remain to dinner.

"You will stay and share our 'homely repast,'" he entreats. "You can't go all that distance back again, my dear sir, impossible. Dinner will be ready almost immediately; we will hurry it on; it shall be served directly. You really must. Pray honour us, major."

The major hesitates and looks at his gold repeater, quite decided to stay, but knowing full well the value of a reluctant acceptance.

"My friend Lord Hurstley will be expecting me," he says, "otherwise I should be delighted. But to cause needless alarm to a friend, I really—"

"Oh, we'll soon put that right," says Mr. Palmer, with pompous humility. "I'll send a man on horseback to his lordship and explain. That will do, won't it?" eagerly.

The major smiles and looks at Alice as if he really could not resist, and Mr. Palmer ushers him into the hall.

"The ladies will perhaps graciously excuse my unsuitable attire," murmurs the major, gently, waving his hat, with his blanching smile towards May and Alice.

"Certainly, certainly," cuts in Mr. Palmer, triumphantly. "It ain't the dress, it's the man, major," and he shakes rather proud of the epigram.

"An admirable sentiment," murmurs the major, "and beautifully expressed," as he follows them into the drawing-room.

"Miss Alice, you'll stay, and join us!" says Mr. Palmer, and the major throws a beseeching expression into his expressive face.

After stumps and sniffs faintly. "I must run home and change my hat, dear Mr. Palmer," she says. "There will be time for that—or will

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