

Charles or any one else to be supported, as long as I have hands to work. You know well enough, she would not be happy there, and it seems to me that she has already seen trouble and sorrow enough to have her wishes and comfort consulted in our future arrangements. The girl, too, need to be in school."

"Very Quixotic and exemplary. Well, take your own course; but don't take me into any of your calculations. I give you fair warning that I intend to look out for myself."

"Which means, I suppose," said Emeline, laughing, "that you intend to get married. I only hope you'll get a good husband."

"I promise you two things beforehand."

"What are they?"

"The first is, he will have plenty of money, and I mean to have the handling of it."

"Ah, indeed!"

"The second is—"

"I thought I had heard two things already. Did n't you say he must have plenty of money, and you would have the handling of it?"

"That is one and the same thing; of course, if my husband has money, I shall have the use of it?"

"Very well, what is the second?"

"The second is, that if you persist in this insane scheme which you propose, you never need any of you come to me for help, or expect to live on me."

"In the first place then, Kate, I very much doubt your ever being in a situation to help us. It will require a pretty large fortune to supply all your wants. And secondly, I trust it will never be necessary for us to burden you."

"Need, or not, don't come to me; I tell you now, once, for all."

CHAPTER II SELFISHNESS.

"I'll never see what wickedness I do,
If th' one comes to good!"

"Kate, my dear girl, what have you done?"

"Not any thing very bad, that I know of. What do you mean?"

"Is it really true that you have disappointed Mr Hamilton?"

"It is really true that I have refused to marry him; if he is disappointed, he may thank himself for it."

"How could you do it, Kate; I am sure you liked him, and have given him plenty of encouragement."

"I am sure I do not know what you call encouragement."

"Have you not walked with him, rode with him, accepted presents, and received without the least hesitation the most

devoted attention from him? What more could he expect?"

"Nothing, certainly, except that I should crow all this folly by marrying him."

"Kate, I am ashamed of you!"

"I can't help it."

"Sister," said Emeline, "you shall not speak in that way to our mother while I am present."

"Then leave the room, Em. I shall say what I please."

"But, my daughter, what reason have you for doing this, and disappointing the young man, for I am sure he is disappointed."

"The best of all reasons, simply because he is poor!"

"What of that, Kate? He is both able and willing to work, and has more than ordinary personal merit; there is no doubt of his rising to eminence."

"Let him rise! I shall not wait for him, though. I marry no man who has his fortune to make."

"He is altogether too good for you, Kate."

"Never mind; get him yourself, then, Em. Now I think of it, why don't you take his case into serious consideration, and make him one of your beneficiaries? You might just take him home, and by working for him some, lay a claim, to his everlasting gratitude, and all that.— But there is no chance for you at all, Em. You are homely enough, we all know, and Mr. Hamilton says he would not marry the best woman in the world unless she was beautiful."

"If Mr. Hamilton ever said that, which I doubt, it is the only silly thing I ever heard of him."

"Oh, mother! you will have to give it up, you really can't have him for a son-in-law, that's plain, for he won't have Em. and I won't have him."

"You may change your mind when it is too late; stranger things than that have happened."

"Well, never mind, there is something I want; you must let me have twenty-five dollars, mother."

"Twenty-five dollars, Kate! that is utterly impossible."

"Not impossible, for I know you have it. Mr. Hart paid his board bill yesterday, and you must spare me so much."

"I tell you, Kate, I have not a single dollar left."

"Then Em has it, so it makes no difference; the money I must have in some way this morning."

"I have but twenty dollars to pay Louisa's music bill, it is due to-day."

"There is no kind of need of Louisa's

taking music lessons at all; and more than that, Mrs. Marshall can wait. The money I must have this morning; if you will not let me have it, I know where I can get it."

"What is your particular need, my child?"

"Well, if I must explain all, I want some things to wear to Mrs. Meyers' party to-morrow night."

"Don't go, Kate," said Emeline, "I would n't if I were you."

"That is easily said, particularly as you have no invitation. Come, give me the money, for I am in haste."

"I should not think you would ask it. You know that we must practice the closest economy to get along."

"Practice as close economy as you please, but just let me have the money."

"What shall I do about Mrs. Marshall?"

"Let her wait for once, you always pay up every one. Let her wait awhile."

"And when she has waited, what then?"

"What then? why, pay her, I suppose."

"Where shall I get the money?"

"I'll give it to you."

"Where will you get it?"

"That's my affair, not yours. If I'm to have the money, just hand it over, or, I give you my word, I'll do what you will be sorry for."

"Give it to her, Emeline, that is, if she has a heart to take it."

"I have a heart to take it, and some more besides, which may possibly be called for before you expect it."

"What do you mean, Kate?"

"Never mind, now; you will be likely to find out soon enough."

The money obtained, Kate made immediate preparations to attend the party at Mrs. Myers'. It was given in honor of a nephew of hers, a gentleman of New York, who was reputed wealthy, and a widower. Had Mrs. Kilborn and Emeline known these things, they would have been less at a loss to account for Kate's movements.

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