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Reflection.

Methinks that I now can see The landscape that I once did view; The spot that was so dear to me Than aught on earth 1 ever knew.

I see those rugged hills portray, Where nature with its frosted hand Hath decked it in its grand array, A thing of beauty there to stand.

And at its base a river flows, That doth reflect His will above! And paint it in that grand array That we would paint the one we love.

And she-for one-I see her still, I see her flushed and heated face As on the crest of yonder hill, She yielded to my kind embrace,

Oh / how sweet to gaze upon the spot, The rugged woodland mountain side: Where my young and ambitious heart Was given her to win a bride.

I see the distant village now, I view it o'er as I did then: The day that we to each did vow A love that naught should ever end.

I now the inclined plane ascend, The summet of the hill I gain: And to the spot my steps I bend To vow the same vow o'er again.

RUPERT'S CHOICE.

CHAPTER III (Concluded.)

I walked back to the Manor with Mrs Loraine, but we were silent except on vil-1 ge topics. Just as we reached the house Rupert drove up in his dogcart, which had gone to meet him at the station. Mrs. Loraine kissed her hand to him, but hurs ried into the house as if she thought hers self late. I saw that she dreaded his questions.

'Good morning Job!' he called ou cheerily, as he pulled up, 'So Mona came all right?

· Yes, I replied.

And how did she and mother hit it off?' he asked, as we entered the hall.

4 Your mother was as kind as it val possible to be, I said; 'you need not be afraid of that. And I hurried up-stairs to avoid further questions.

A few minutes later I looked out of my window, and saw Rupert and Miss Herries standing on the lawn cutside of the dining room window. His back was toward me, so I could not see what was his expression; but her's provoked me beyond endurance. How would Rupert find any attraction in such looks and manners, even though the eyes were handsome?

Not long afterward, the sound of the gong took me down to breakfast. Mrs Loraine and I met at the door; Rupert and Miss, Herries came in at the open window. Mrs. Loraine greeted the young 'ady, and then turned to Rupert and said something about being glad he had got back so, early.

'I was sure to come!' he said, as he stooped to kiss his mother. And now, tell me, how have you and Mona been getting on? I asked Job, but she was not communicative.

Now, to be asked by your son, in the presence of a young lady who is to be your daughter in law, how you have got on with her, can never be pleasant; but when you are conscious of having taken a great dislike to her, it must be singus larly disagreeable.

Mrs Loraine looked intensly annoyed, but she tried to smile as she said,-

11 think I must leave that question to Mona herself to answer.'

Miss Herries, who was standing by the window looking out, neither turned round nor showed any sign of intera

makes her so late.'

'I am quite in earnest, mother,' he said. 'I think she must either be very What did you think of such a reception? tired, or not well, or not know her way, or something-for she is always up early with a smile and a blush, 'I askad when I know. What on earth are you starting Mr, Loraine was expected back from at, Job? I am not at all ashamed of be- Clevelands; and was told not till the next ing anxious about her..

aine, and she looked at me to help her, done,' for the strange conversation had brought 'And were very angry,' said Rupert. Miss Herries to the table.

'Do not tease your mother, Rupert,' I said, earnestly, 'but explain quietly.

It is this young lady Miss Herries?' dignation was unmistakable. It said, as Newbury that evening.

plainly as words could have done,—

The next moment the poor girl's look of about last night. bewilderment recalled him to a recollec-

'I don't know what the mistake is !' aine.'

had all happened we could not tell, Mrs. And now,' added Mrs. George, laughing Loraine kindly answered Miss Harris,-

'It is not your fault, my dear, on'y mistake from the similarity of names. magine, to my cousin, Mrs. George Lors to be my daughter inslaw.'

'The servant came up to me and said, fast. Miss Harris,' at least I thought so, 'for Helmsleigh? and I said 'Yes,' and came here. Nothing you said showed me there was a mistake. I am very sorry, said Miss Harris, much confused.

'But, mother!' began Rupert, 'where-'Mrs George Loraine and Miss Herries!' announced Saunders, throwing open the door very wide. Rupert's face lighted up as he sprang forward to the side of the girl I had seen in church.

'Mona, my darling, what does all this

Mrs. George Loraine laughed.

· Why it means that young men should go to stations themselves to meet young ladies, instead of going off to cricket matches and sending the footman. Your young lady came to my house, and a nice dull evening she must have had, for 1 vas dining ten miles off. And mine, 10 0039, came here-I see, there she is-

Harris embarrassed and mortified eft the room as if glad of an excuse to do o. I was so sorry for her, for her posi-

cing the real Mona to his mother. What a different greeting it was! Then he

you don't know her by that name.

Miss Herries put both hands in mine. and raised her sweet face to be kissed and whispered,-

daughter to her,'

'Well, Rupert,' said Mrs George in her loud voice, 'it was a queer way for her to come to Helmsleigh for the first time, in the omnibus from Newbury, and then find an empty house to receive her. 'In an omnibus! cried Rupert, vehe-

'Yes, just in a common omnibus, sir cried Mrs. George laughing. It is a capital joke. Tell them about it, my dear,

Miss Herries laughed. 'I got out at Newbury, saw may box out of the van, and told the porter I expected some one to meet me from Helmleigh. He asked me if I were the young pointing to my box.—

me quite civilly that Mrs. Loraine was savings bank," inquired one of the newly sorry she could not send on for me, but arrived "when can I draw it out again?" the Helmsleigh ous could put me down "Oh," responded his Hibernian friend: at the gate. So into the bus of course "sure an il you put it in to-day, you I got and it did put me down at a lodge can get it out again to-morrow, by givwhere a boy with a wheelhaorow was ing a fortnight's notice." waiting. He took me and my box into When she appears, I'll ask her,' res a house where the butler told me that plied Rupert, carelessly. 'I wonder what Mrs. Loraine was dining out, and would "A sugar-planter." - "When was that, not be back till very late, but begged I my coloured friend?"-" Der day I My dear Rupert! remonstrated his would make myself comfortable. The buried dat old sweetheart o' mine.' mother, nervously. Do not talk so housemaid would show me my room and dinner could be ready when ever I liked.

'My poor child!' said Mrs. Lauraine. 'I thought it very odd,' replied Mona, morning. So I had my dinner all by mys 'I don't understand?' began Mrs. Lor- self as there seemed nothing else to be

> 'Confess, Mona! did you not begin to think of going straight home again?

Mona laughed. 'Well, perhaps I might, only I did not Rupert's look of amazement: and ins suppose the 'bus was likely to go back to

'That-my Mona Are you all mad?' But the maids told me a different story,

'How did you make out the mistake?' tion of what was courteous and he said. asked Mrs. Loraine, for Mona colored 'I have never had the pleasure of seeing painfully, though she smiled as she that young lady before, and do not know thought of her tears the previous evening in her solitude.

Why, the moment she came in from said the supposed Miss Herries turning to church this morning, and found me in the Mrs. Loraine with crimson cheeks, and garden, she saw I was not a bit like the looking ready to cry. 'My name is Mar. | photographs she had seen of you, Eleatan Harris, and I came down to Helmss nor. Then we had it out in half a mins leigh yesterday to live with Mrs. Lors ute and we had a good laugh over lt,

and I thought the best thing to do was Light broke in upon us, though how it just to walk up here at once to breakfast her jolly, unrefined laugh, 'what sort of a girl is the real Miss Harris?'

'You must find out for yourself Harriet, You are going to Helmsleigh Grange, I replied Mrs. Loraine smiling. 'Now Mona, come up with me and take off your designs. aine. I sent to meet a Miss Herries, who hat. Miss Barlow will go and bring down Miss Harris and we will all have breaks

> We had a very merry breakfast. Af. ter it was over, Mrs. George carried off poor Miss Harris, who it appeared was the eldest daughter of an attorney at Bristol, and being tired of home and poverty and a crowd of younger brothers and sisters, had come out to see the world as a companion, Seen in this new ight, she was not a bad sort of girl, but we scarcely know how to be thankful for having found out that she was not to be Rupert's wife, and that this sweet and Mora Herries.

Wit and Humour.

What Scotch sport is like ladies' conersation? - Dears talking.

There is in Philadelphia a "School of Design for Women." The dear creatures don't need one.

the cart will be here directly get married again when you die ?"-"I the fact, that certain Houses in New Herries' luggage, and will take hope she may, as there will be one man York are sending to many parts of the

asked a school inspector. The question New York. was hardly put before a little girl, not I do not allow my medicines to be Rupert, meanwhile, had been introdus four years old, answered quickly, "All fold in any part of the United States.

'That great admirer of Avon's bard. who inquired where the following Now, Mona, here is Miss Barlow, only passage is found, 'Is that a † that I U B 4 me? is informed that it may be found in Macbeth, whose murderous put a . to 1 Duncan.

The following anecdote was told by 'You will help me to learn how to be a an American preacher for a fact: He was praying and in his prayer he said. "I pray that the power of the devimay be curtailed." Just then an old darkey in the congregation cried out, · Yes, amen! Bress me! Cut him tail right smack, smoove off."

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