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SELF-RELIANCE NOW BEING DEVELOPED

Rebellion Taught Them There is Something More Than Getting Married.

Dublin, Dec. 31.—A new spirit of enterprise and self-reliance is being developed by Irish girls who heretofore have been noted mostly for their charm and beauty.

Years ago, middle-class Irish girls devoted most of their time to home affairs and the question of marriage to some youth of their native place.

The political movement which led through the Irish rebellion to the establishment of the Free State taught the thinking Irish girls that there was something more to do than stay at home and get married.

With Dublin University open to women students came the opportunity to those of a studious nature, who have since won scholarships and prizes which qualified them for the learned professions.

She was hefty of figure, and she was wadded from too much Christmas shopping, so when she got into an elevator in a Buffalo, N. Y., store she spied the little stool in the corner and sat thereon.

The elevator man started the car, and then promptly sat down on the lady's lap, much to her indignation and his own amazement.

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OH, ISN'T MR. COLLINS AT THIS WINDOW?

YES, MISS THIS IS HIS WINDOW BUT HE JUST WENT OUT TO LUNCH. HE'LL BE BACK IN AN HOUR

IT'S SO CUTE. I MUST HAVE IT

Russ Westover 12-31

BRINGING UP FATHER

AH, MR. JIGGS-IM LUCKY TO FIND YOU IN!

YOU CERTAINLY ARE-I NEVER HAVE ANY LUCK!

I WANT YOU TO READ THAT POEM THAT MY SON WROTE-HE IS ONLY SEVENTEEN YEARS OLD-

HO-HUM!

WHAT DO YOU THINK HE OUGHT TO GET FOR THAT?

YOU SAY HE IS SEVENTEEN-

ON ACCOUNT OF HIS AGE- HE OUGHT TO GET OFF WITH A SUSPENDED SENTENCE!

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TOOTS AND CASPER—Buttercup Horns in on the New Year's Party.

I'M SORRY I HAD TO MAKE YOU STOP BLOWING YOUR HORN TODAY. BUTTERCUP, BUT ALL THE NEIGHBORS WERE COMPLAINING ABOUT THE NOISE.

CASPER AND I ARE GOING TO CELEBRATE NEW YEAR'S EVE WITH SOME FRIENDS LIZA, SO TAKE GOOD CARE OF BABY WHILE WE'RE GONE!

WOW

GOODNESS! BUTTERCUP DOESN'T WANT US TO LEAVE HIM!

IT BREAKS HIS HEART IF WE'RE OUT FOR ONE MINUTE.

WELL, WE'VE GOT TO TAKE BUTTERCUP WITH US, OR STAY HOME.

I'M SURE NO ONE WILL OBJECT TO HIS BEING ALONG AND ENJOY THE FESTIVITIES SO MUCH, CASPER!

DA!

THIS IS ONE TIME YOU CAN BLOW A HORN WITHOUT SOMEBODY KICKING ABOUT IT, TOOTS!

BUTTERCUP IS SORRY CASPER. I'LL BET HE WOULDN'T GO TO SLEEP TONIGHT BECAUSE HE KNOWS HE'S SEVENTEEN YEARS OLD.

JIMMY MURPHY 12-31

A PASSIONATE LOVE

(Continued.)

"I am obliged to go down your way," he said, "so you might as well ride with me. In fact, I have a call to make just a few doors from you."

"I shall be glad to accept your offer," said Violet, simply.

He assisted her into the carriage and took a seat opposite her.

As the brougham rolled along through the terrible drifts of snow, Doctor Deering told himself that the girl never could have made her way to her home on foot.

CHAPTER V.

It was a ride that Doctor Deering never forgot. All at once he felt something in his soul awakened to life. He realized what had happened. His heart had gone out in a deep, fervent, sudden love to the young girl sitting opposite him, and he knew then that the feeling which he had experienced for Ida Lamont was but the glamour of an infatuation.

He told himself that it must have been fate which kept him from going to the opera, having this greatest pleasure in his life. The very thought of the heartless hearse made him shudder. He considered that he had had a lucky escape.

They arrived at their destination all too soon to suit Doctor Deering. He assisted Miss Chester to alight, feeling sorry indeed, that the poor girl was obliged to go into that cold, cheerless house.

He had scarcely been driven half a dozen rods ere he thought he heard a piercing cry in a woman's voice.

Bitter as the night was, he opened the carriage window, and listened; but he heard no more.

He had told Miss Chester that he would be in that neighborhood about two o'clock the following afternoon, and that, if she wished to ride back with him, he would be only too glad to take her, as he would then be on his way to the hospital.

Although he had but just started from her, he was longing for tomorrow afternoon to come with all his heart, that he might see her again. How sweet, and good, and innocent she was! What a contrast there was between this lovely little creature and the proud, wealthy hearse, Ida Lamont!

He wondered if her brother Chauncey would keep his promise never to go and see Violet Chester again.

Meanwhile, the object of his thoughts flew hurriedly up the stairs of the Bleeker street home to tell her only friend—the old lady across the hall—what had happened to little Daisy.

She stopped short, hearing the sound of voices in the old lady's room. They were so loud and excited that they frightened the girl. She was just about to turn away, when a coarse and brutal man appeared upon the threshold.

"There is no use in talking, old lady. You haven't the money to pay your rent, and our orders are to put you right out into the street, bag and baggage, without an hour's delay!"

As these words fell upon Violet's ears, she sprang quickly forward.

"Oh, sir, do not turn her out!" she cried. "I have just had the promise of more work to-day, and I will help her. You shall have the money for her rent just as soon as I can earn it."

"Don't you interfere, young woman," said the man, gruffly, thrusting her angrily aside.

"Do not fear this man," cried Violet, bravely, turning to the helpless old woman, who sat in a wooden rocker by the cheerless, empty grate, crying as if her poor old heart would break. "Never mind him. You shall come and share my room with me."

"Not a bit of it!" cried the man, gruffly. "I've got an order to take this 'ere old party away from here; and don't you interfere!"

"But what are you to take her?" asked Violet.

"Well, she's to go to the poor-house, if you must know."

"To the poor-house?" exclaimed the poor old body, starting up. "Oh, God! do not take me there, sir! Oh, of you! I shall be able to work soon. The poor-house! Oh, who ever thought I was bound to go there!"

"Then the county would get out of supporting you," he retorted, brutally, with a loud snuff.

"I will support her," said Violet. "What little I have I will gladly share with her."

He laughed aloud.

"You don't make enough to keep yourself!" he retorted.

"Oh! Mrs. Moore hobbled eagerly forward.

"Do let me stay with her, sir," she begged. "Indeed, I'll not be any more of a burden to her than I can help. I won't eat any more than will barely keep the life in this old body."

Despite the protestations of Violet and the poor old soul, she was hustled out of the meager, cheerless old room, down the stairs, and into the ells-house wagon outside, while Violet, half fainting, convulsed with bitter tears, staggered to her own apartment and flung herself down on the window-seat, pressing her tear-stained face to the glass, and hoping against hope that the man would change his mind at the last moment.

Oh, how lonely it was without little Daisy and poor old Mrs. Moore, to whom she had always been strangely drawn with an affection which she could scarcely account for.

At that moment there was a low tap on the door. Violet started at her feet. Who could it possibly be? The tap was certainly a strange one to her.

"Who is there, and what do you want?" called Violet, starting up and brushing the tear-drops from her cheeks.

There was no answer. She could not open the door until she had lighted the lamp. Swiftly crossing the room, she reached for the little tin safe, and hurriedly struck a match; but it went out. Another and another met with the same failure.

"What can be the matter with the matches?" thought Violet. "I have never known anything like this to occur before, and there's only two

more left in the box. If they should serve me in the same way, what in the world shall I do? I can not open the door with the room in darkness."

Again there was another low tap.

"I will open the door in a minute," said Violet, "quite as soon as I strike a match. The room is in darkness."

Her visitor seemed to be impatient, for the door knob turned ever so slightly.

She had turned the key, as was her usual custom, otherwise whoever it was might have entered. Surely it must be the butcher's or baker's boy, she thought. At last she succeeded in lighting the lamp, and the next moment hurried swiftly to the door, threw it open, and saw, standing before her, a handsomely dressed young man—the one whom she had seen in the sleigh with Doctor Deering.

(To be continued.)

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