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## A Lover's Triumph.

Finally he aroused himself with a long-drawn sigh, and rising, went to a handsome desk which was in the room, in which he unlocked a small drawer, and taking a box from it, brought and laid it upon the table by which Geoffrey was sitting.

"I had grown to feel almost as if this portion of my life had been blotted out," he said, "at least until it was so suddenly recalled to me by meeting you at Saratoga last summer. But our mistakes rise up and confront us; our sins find us out when we least expect it. Open that box, Geoffrey, and draw what comfort you can from its contents."

Geoffrey's face flushed at being thus addressed. He had come there with his heart full of bitterness toward the man who, he believed, had done his mother an irreparable wrong.

But now he found those feelings fast changing to pity and sympathy for him. His main confession had more than half conquered him at the outset, while his tender memories of the acknowledged wife of his youth, and the fond intuition with which his voice was filled every time he uttered his own name, told him that some of his dearest hopes had clustered around those early days when he had been a wee infant, and stirred a tenderness within his own heart for the father which he had never imagined he could feel.

He untied the faded blue ribbon that bound the box which Col. Mapleson had given him, with fingers that trembled visibly, removed the lid, and found a thin folded paper within.

He opened it. It was an old telegram addressed to William Mapleson, Santa Fe, New Mexico, and contained these words:

"I will come, Will. Start at ten on the eighth."

There was another paper underneath it, and his heart beat rapidly as he drew it forth.

A blur came before his eyes, a nervous trembling seized him, making the paper rattle in his grasp, for something seemed to tell him, even before he looked at it, what it was.

Yes, it was even as he had surmised, for there, in black and white, as plain and strong as the law could make it, was the certificate which proved the legality of the bond which united William Mapleson and Annie Dale, and dated only a few days later than the telegram which he had just seen.

They had been married in Kansas City immediately upon the arrival of Miss Dale, by Rev. Dr. A. K. Bailey, of the Episcopal Church.

A song of thanksgiving arose in Geoffrey's heart as he read this, for it proved that his mother had been an honored wife—that no stain had ever rested on his birth; he was the legitimate son of William Mapleson, and the burden of fear and dread, that had so long oppressed him, was rolled away from his heart at last.

There was something else in one corner at the bottom of the box—a tiny case of black morocco binding.

Geoffrey seized it eagerly, turned back the lid, and a small, heavy ring of gold lay before him.

His heart leaped with joy at the sight of it; nothing had been neglected to do honor to the beautiful girl whom William Mapleson loved.

He turned it toward the light and read on its inner surface: "W. M. to A. D., Aug. 12, 1896. That was almost a sob, burst from him, though it was one of joy instead of sorrow.

"A fortune could not purchase these from me," he said, looking up with moist eyes, while he reverently laid back in their places the priceless treasures he had found.

A spasm of pain contracted Colonel Mapleson's face, for he could well understand the feeling that lay behind them, and could not fail to realize, too, something of the questionable position which his boy had occupied all his life.

He was very grave and thoughtful, and Mr. Huntress, as he watched him, could see that he was struggling with some weighty matter that lay upon his conscience.

At length he lifted his head, with a quick, resolute motion, showing that he had settled it, whatever it was.

"Mr. Huntress and Geoffrey," he said, glancing from one to the other: "I have a long story to tell you, and a hard one, too, for not a soul in the

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world save you two and the clergyman who performed the ceremony really knows that I was ever married before the present Mrs. Mapleson became my wife. I am bound to tell this story not only to you, but also to her; that, as you cannot fail to understand, will be the hardest part of my confession."

Both his listeners sympathized with him deeply. They could easily perceive how humiliating it would be to this proud man to make such a disclosure to his wife after having deceived her for more than a score of years, yet both knew that it was an act of justice which should be performed in order that Geoffrey might be acknowledged as a son and heir, and thus attain his proper position in the world.

"It is a painful story, too," the colonel went on, "for Geoffrey, I loved your mother with all the strength of my nature—as a man loves but once in his life—and when I lost her the world became a blank to me, while even now it is almost more than I can bear to speak of it. I cannot tear the wound open and live over all the experience more than once, and if you do not object, I would like Mrs. Mapleson to be present while I make my confession."

Mr. Huntress urged him to act according to his own wishes in the matter. As far as he was concerned, Mrs. Mapleson's presence would make no difference, unless the situation should prove to be too trying for her.

"She must know it within a few hours at the farthest, and it will also be necessary for her to meet you; so it might as well be done at once. What do you say, Geoffrey?" Colonel Mapleson asked, turning to his son.

Do just what you think will be for the best, sir," he replied, and his father immediately arose and left the room.

"Estelle," he said, going to his wife's boudoir, where she sat, handsome and stately, reading the latest magazine, "will you come down to the library for a little while. I have some callers to whom I wish to introduce you."

Something unusual in her husband's tone made Mrs. Mapleson drop her book and stretch his face.

Why, William, what ails you? Has anything happened to Everett, she questioned, anxiously, her motherhood aroused for her child.

Everett is well, so far as I know, but—

"Surely you are ill, or have bad news," she interrupted.

"No, I am not ill, although some business of a painful nature has upset me a trifle," he answered, knowing that she was looking wretched, and not attempting to conceal his agitation.

"You know I do not like to be mixed up with business transactions," his wife replied, with an impatient shrug of her shapely shoulders.

"But I particularly desire your presence while I make a statement to these gentlemen, Colonel Mapleson said, striving to speak more calmly, though the hand that was resting on the back of Mrs. Mapleson's chair trembled in a way to really startle her.

"Why, William," she said, facing him, "have you been getting into financial trouble at your time of life?"

"No; it is an error—a mistake made long years ago that I wish to rectify," he gravely answered.

"Who are these people?" she asked, still searching his face earnestly.

"A Mr. Huntress and his son from New York."

"Huntress!" repeated the lady, reflectively. "Where have I heard that name before?"

"Never mind now, Estelle; you can think of that some other time. Please do not keep me waiting."

He took her hand, laid it on his arm, and led her from the room, while she wondered to see her proud husband in that mood, for there was a gentleness about him, mingled with a humility and a deprecating air, that was entirely foreign to him.

Not a word was spoken by either as they passed down the grand staircase. Colonel Mapleson was too absorbed in the painful duty before him, while "coming events" seemed already to have "cast their shadows" upon the handsome face and proud spirit of his wife.

A painful expression almost convulsed Colonel Mapleson's face as he paused irresolutely a moment before the library door.

But his hesitation was only for an instant.

The next he turned the handle, led his wife within the room, when he closed and locked the door to insure freedom from interruption.

Then he led his companion straight to August Huntress.

Mr. Huntress, allow me to present you to my wife, Mrs. Mapleson," he said by way of introduction.

The lady glanced into the gentleman's face, instantly her own froze into a look of horror; a shock went quivering through her frame like the blow of an axe upon a tree. She started wildly back from him, her eyes dilated, her lips apart.

"August Damon," she gasped, and sank fainting to the floor.

## IN WOMAN'S CLOTHES.

A Cute Farmer Detects a Crook and Takes \$500 From Him.

Philadelphia, Jan. 12.—A man disguised as a woman induced James Young, of Killebuck, to give him a lift in his wagon going home. Young penetrated the disguise, and dropping his whip, asked the man to jump down and go.

The disguised person did so, and Young drove off at a gallop, leaving down to avoid a fusillade of bullets which the supposed female sent after him.

A satchel which the masquerader left in the wagon contained \$500 and a kit of burglars' tools.

## SMOKE AND FLAME.

Many Firemen Disabled in Buffalo—A Montreal Blaze.

Buffalo, N. Y., Jan. 12.—Fire in the mill room in 32 Buffalo Distilling Company at 481 Spring street, climbed to the roof of the distillery and destroyed it. Damage about \$10,000.

Half the department are suffering from inflamed eyes and bronchial tubes, caused by the stifling of the flames, and the lumber yard, which burned nearly 24 hours.

Amidst the confusion, the firemen were kept busy all morning carrying home men who had broken down, and the lumber office was a temporary hospital, where the firemen were resuscitated. The chert was the worst fire to fight in twenty years.

Montreal, Jan. 12.—Joseph Paquette's lumber mills, on La Croix street, near the C. P. R. east end station, were badly damaged by fire last night. Loss about \$4,000; insurance, \$20,000. This is the fourth time since 1889.

Buffalo, Jan. 12.—The five-story brick building on the corner of Elliott and Seneca streets, occupied by Altman & Co., wholesale and retail clothing, was badly damaged by fire Sunday. Mr. Altman estimates the loss at \$150,000; insurance, \$175,000.

SKATER DROWNED. Montreal, Jan. 12.—On Saturday as a number of boys from Cape Magalloway, Que., were skating across the St. Lawrence from Becancour, one of them, a son of Leopold Montplaisir, 13 years of age, slipped into an opening in the ice and was drowned. He was a nephew of Senator Montplaisir.

FIRST TIME IN THIRTY-TWO YEARS. Annapolis, Md., Jan. 12.—For the first time in 32 years the electoral college of Maryland has been cast for the Republican nominees for the offices of President and Vice-President of the United States. The ceremony took place at noon yesterday in the ancient State capitol in this city.

STEAMER DAMAGED BY ICE. St. Johns, Nfld., Jan. 12.—The British steamer Whickham (Capt. Vigers), which sailed from Baltimore on Jan. 1, for Copenhagen, with a cargo of grain, had how come to be in by ice on Saturday night while 100 miles off this coast. She arrived here this forenoon, and will undergo temporary repairs.

EX-QUEEN LIL. Niagara Falls, N. Y., Jan. 11.—Ex-Queen Liliuokalani of Hawaii, now Mrs. Dominis, accompanied by her suite, left the Falls for Boston, where she will live for several months in Brookline, a suburb of Boston. She has an income of \$18,000 a year from estates which she owns in Hawaii.

LEADS THE LIST. Ottawa, Jan. 12.—The Forty-third Battalion, Canadian Rifles, is the banner battalion of the Dominion. The returns of comparative efficiency, compiled on the basis of the last general inspection, show the Forty-third Battalion is, for the second time in succession, at the top of the list. The battalion average is 15.31.

Next comes the "Gibraltar" Battalion, 14.84; Queen's Own, Toronto, 14.58. The Forty-third, therefore, wins the Gilmour cup.

REFORM IN KINGSTON MILITARY COLLEGE. Kingston, Jan. 12.—Col. Kitson, the new commandant of the Royal Military College, has inaugurated a number of reforms at the institution since taking command. The most noteworthy is the abolition of all kinds of intoxicating liquors from the college where the cadets dine. It was the only place within the bounds of the college where liquor was procurable, and by forbidding its sale there it is banished from the precincts of the institution.

EXCHANGED INTO A BERG. St. Johns, Nfld., Jan. 12.—The British steamer Whickham, Capt. Vigers, from Baltimore, Jan. 1, for Copenhagen, with a cargo of grain, has arrived here with her cargo stove in, as a result of a collision with an iceberg. On Sunday morning the Whickham was struck by a large berg, which crushed five plates and broke four ribs, the consequence being to shift the cargo a little. The steamer was backed out of the ice, and made for this port.

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Important Action on the Manitoba School Settlement.

Ottawa, Jan. 12.—The Club National, the membership of which is composed almost entirely of Catholics, has unanimously passed the following resolution: "That we, members of the Club National of Ottawa, did hear with the greatest satisfaction that the Laurier-McCord Government had effected with the Manitoba Government a settlement of the question of the Catholic schools of that Province, a settlement which in our opinion will remedy the grievances of the Catholics and French-Canadians; that we do believe that this settlement, although aiming chiefly to redress the grievances in question, is in the greatest interest of the country generally and that it will insure peace and harmony between the different elements composing the population of our country; that we humbly and respectfully suggest to our fellow-countrymen of Manitoba to make a loyal and sincere trial of this settlement, without in so doing laying aside their legitimate rights should their grievances not disappear; that it is our belief that the Manitoba Government, who has accepted in good faith and sincerely the settlement in question, will see to its accomplishment with as equally good faith and in a manner to satisfy fully the right, belief and legitimate aspirations of our fellow-countrymen."

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