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CHAPTER XX.

For some cause or other, Disbrowe felt extremely anxious for the hour to come when he was to see Norma. Her manner, even more than her words, had implied that the interview betokened something serious and unusual. She had been completely transformed since he had seen her last; changed more than he had thought it possible any one could be in so brief a time; and her manner to him had been something more than reserved—it was rigidly cold. What could be the cause? Was it possible that during his absence she had contracted another attachment, and was anxious to be rid of the old one? "Too good to be true," he thought, with a sigh, as he strove to account for her agitation and coldness in some other way.

The drawing, too, trivial as the matter was, puzzled him not a little. That any one could have sketched the whole scene so accurately from merely reading a random description, he could not believe; it must have been seen to be so faithfully depicted. Yet who was there to see it? Neither Emily Tremain nor Norma Macdonald had ever visited America, he felt certain; and who was there but himself to describe it to them? Altogether, he felt more completely mystified and puzzled than he had ever been about a small matter in all his life before.

At an early hour that evening, he presented himself at the Tremain House, and was shown by the aristocratic porter respectfully mentioned before, through a "marble hall" into the parlor, and left to his own devices, while the yellowish plush gentleman went to have Miss Macdonald apprised of her visitor.

He had not long to wait. The door presently opened, and Norma entered, paler even than she was in the morning, and looking as when he had seen her last, agitated and troubled.

She scarcely looked up as he advanced to meet her, and shrank away visibly when he led her to a sofa, and took a seat beside her. But she need not have been alarmed; had he been an archbishop, he could not have behaved with more gravity and decorum. There was very little of the ardent lover about Lord Earnecliffe at that moment. His heart was far over the sea with Jacquetta in her lonely grave.

There was a brief and embarrassed silence, which the lady was the first to break.

"You were doubtless surprised, my lord," she began in a slightly tremulous voice, "by my somewhat strange request, and I beg—I beg—you will not be offended at what I am about to say."

This was a promising beginning. Disbrowe looked at her wondering what in the world was to follow this preface.

"Nothing you can say, Norma, will offend me," he replied, scarcely knowing what he was expected to answer to this strange address.

"I wish I could think so. Gentlemen all have a large share af native vanity—have they not?" she said, looking up for the first time with a smile.

"Really, I can't take it upon myself to say positively."

"I have heard so; and if it is true, what I have to say may wound your vanity—and for that I beg pardon beforehand."

"It is granted. Pray go on, Miss Norma; what awful deathblow is my vanity destined to receive from your fair hands?"

She dropped her eyes, and a faint color arose to her cheek.

It is a serious matter, my lord. You remember—you cannot have forgotten what is—what was destined to take place next November?"

"Oh!" he was serious enough now; "no, I have not forgotten—how could I? But, Norma, what do you mean by saying 'was' to take place?"

"Because I hardly think it ever will do so now. Lord Earnecliffe, I know you desire to be free, and I release you once and forevere from your engagement!"

"Norma!" he half sprang from his seat at the first shock. Her beautiful face was as white as monumental marble, but she was also as firm and composed.

"Sit down, my lord. I am certain this does not take you unawares. I feel sure that after this morning you must have had a presentiment of what was coming; and further, you will do anything but grieve, now that you have heard it."

"Norma!"

"It was a bond not of our own making, and it would fail as both. My father and your brother were the cause of the step you took, and perhaps there were ten thousand reasons why you should not at the time decline it."

There was a touch of sarcasm in her tone, and the blood flushed scarlet for a moment to his face.

"I do not intend to reproach you, my lord, but this I will say—you did wrong! You should not have led me to believe you loved me, when you knew in your heart you never could or would care for me more than you did for any other of your dear five hundred friends. I was a silly, romantic girl, I know, who, perhaps, needed this lesson to bring her to her senses; but, my lord, I would rather any other hand than yours had struck the blow."

Her lip trembled in spite of herself and she put her hand for a moment before her face.

"Norma—Norma!" he cried out, passionaaely, "you wrong me! I did love you once!"

"Ah! you did," she said, turning her pale face toward him, and lifting her clear, dark, penetrating eyes to his face, "then you do so no longer? I knew it!"

He averted his face, and was silent.

"My lord, answer me,' she said, laying her hand earnestly on his arm, "it is better for us both. Answer me on your honor as a gentleman—do you love me now?"

"Oh, Norma! forgive me! I never was worthy of your love!"

Her hand droped. She sat as if turning to stone.

"Have I wronged you beyond reparation? Will you never forgive me, Norma?"

"I forgive you, my lord! I cancel the bond, and you are free!"

"Oh, Norma! fairest and best, you forgive me, but when will I be able to forgive myself!"

"Do not think of it—such things happen every day. It is only the way of the world."

There was an untold depth of bitterness and sorrow in her tone. He did not dare to look at her, but leaned his head on his head with a groan.

"You have acted as most would have done; and a wisdom is only bought by experience, I will be wiser for the future. Do you blame yourself too severely, my lord; it all does not rest on you. Others—the dead and the living—have alike erred, yet I suppose they thought they were acting for the best. Let us be thankful it is no worse—we have both cause!"

"Oh, Norma!"

"You have got a fortune and a title, and do not need to make a marriage de convenance; and I have discovered it all in time; so things are not so bad, my lord, as they might be."

"Oh, Norma! What a villain I must seem in your eyes!"

"A villain! Oh, not at all; it is a common thing enough, and habit redeems everything. Perhaps we may both live to be thankful things have ended as they have."

"But your father, Norma!"

"My father loves me well enough to sacrifice even his long-cherished plan at my wish. I have only to say I do not wish this engagement to be fulfilled, and he will leave me as free as air."

"Norma, did you ever love me?" he asked—his man's vanity, as she rightly judged, wounded by her apparent coldness; for when men, the generous creatures! renounce the woman who has once told them she loved them, they like to think of her as pining away, and dying of a broken heart, and all that sort of thing, for their sake; and Lord Alfred Earnecliffe, though an English peer, was just made of the same clay as his more plebeian brethren.

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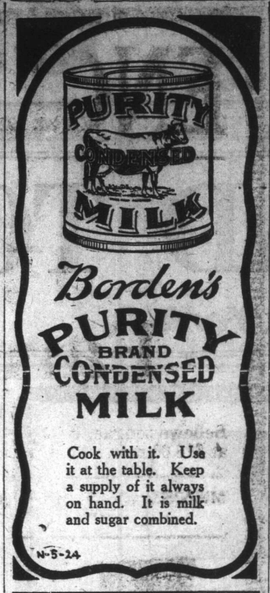

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LONDON, Oct. 17. (A.P.)—The governments of the cotton growing areas of the British Empire, with the aid of the British Board of Trade, will attempt to pass legislation during the winter months which, it is claimed, will result in more than doubling the cotton production of the empire. Most of the aid will be subsidies to the farmers and the establishment of better transportation conditions.

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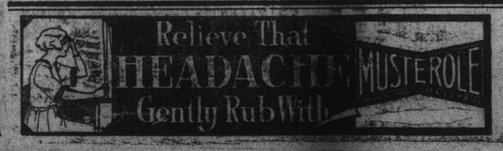

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