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Or, The Love Story of Charles Brandon and Mary Tudor, the King's Sister, and Happening In the Reign of His August Majesty King Henry the Eighth Rewritten and Rendered Into Modern English From Sir Edwin

By EDWIN CASKODEN [CHARLES MAJOR]

I heartily detested King Louis, large-

sorbed from Mary, but he was, in fact,

could but pity him. He was always

soft in heart and softer in head, espe-

Take his crazy attempt to seize the

Countess of Croy while he was yet

for the Italian woman, for whom he

built the elaborate burial vault-much

Brittany, for whom he had induced

Pope Alexander to divorce him from

the poor little crippled owlet Joan. In

the owlet back again before he was

done with Anne, because Anne was a

termagant and ruled him with the

But this last passion, the flickering,

sputtering flame of his dotage, was

the worst of all, both subjectively and

objectively, both as to his senile fond-

ness for the English princess and her

impish tormenting of him. From the

aided and abetted her in every way

in pursuit of his elusive bride, and

would expostulate with her, when he

could catch her, and smile uneasily.

like a man who is the victim of a prac-

enjoy the point. On such occasions she

would laugh in his face, then grow

in all seriousness that it was indecorous

tell her brother, King Henry, all about

it and have him put things to right and

redress her wrongs generally. In fact,

so perfectly that the poor old man

would apologize for the wrongs she in-

vented and try to coax her into a good humor. Thereupon she would weep

more bitterly than ever, grow hyster-

ical and require to be carried off by her

women, when recovery and composure

were usually instantaneous. Of course

the court gossips soon carried stories of

the quick recoveries to the king, and when he spoke to Mary of them she

put on her injured air again and turned

the tables by upbraiding him for be-

lieving such calumnies about her, who

Mary would often pout for days to-

gether and pretend illness. Upon one

her door all the morning, while she, having slipped through the window, was riding with some of the young peo-

ple in the forest. When she returned

for keeping her waiting penned up in

her room all the morning. And he apol-

in accordance with the English cus-

tom, and had a heavy supper at night,

She changed the dinner hour to noon

mated icicle and wish that he were

At night she would have her balls

and keep him up till morning, drinking

and dancing, or trying to dance, with

her until his poor old heels, and his

head, too, for that matter, were like

to fall off; then she would slip away from him and lock herself in her room.

December, say I, let May alone; she

certainly will kill you. Despite which

sound advice, I doubt not December will go on coveting May up to the end of the chapter, each old fellow—being such a fine man for his age, you understand—fondly believing himself an exception. Age in a fool is damnable.

him slow poison. He was very weak

and decrepit at best, being compelled frequently upon public occasions, such,

for example, as the coronation tourna-

ment of which I have spoken, to lie

Mary's conduct was really cruel, but

one, in fact.

upon a couch.

I suppose she had no equal in all the that she was acting in self defense.

dearly.

heaviest rod of iron she could lift.

her greatly, and all the time. Henry ly, I think, because of prejudice abhad given his word that Brandon should be liberated as soon as Mary had left a fairly good old man, and at times I shores of England, but we had heard nothing of this matter, although we had received several letters from cially where women wers concerned. home. A doubt of her brother, in whom she had little faith at best, made an ache at her heart which seemed at Duke of Orleans, and his infatuation times likely to break-so she said. One night she dreamed that she had witnessed Brandon's execution, her brother standing by in excellent her mor at the prank he was playing her, and it so worked upon her waking it must have comforted her! Then his marriage to dictatorial little Anne of hours that by evening she was ill. At last I received a letter from Brandon, consideration of this divorce he had which had been delayed along the put Caesar Borgia, Pope Alexander's son, on his feet, financially and politroad, containing one for Mary It told of his full pardon and restoration. to fa or, greater even than before, and ically. I think he must have wanted her jo was so sweet and quiet and yet so setty delirious that I tell you plain ly it brought tears to my eyes, and I

could not hold them back. The marriage, when once determined upon, had not cast her down nearly so deep as I had expected, and soon sha to be quite cheerful and happy. This filled me with regret, for I thought of how Brandou must suffer, and felt that her heart was a poor, flimsy thing first he evinced the most violent delight

to take this trouble so lightly. I spoke to Jane about it, but she only laughed. "Mary is all right," said she. cool, audacious and adroit that it "Do not fear. Matters will turn out stamped ter queen of all the arts fembetter than you think, perhaps. You inine and demoniac. Pardon me, laknow she generally manages to have dies, if I couple these two arts, but you

"If you have any comfort to give, please give it, Jane. I feel most keenly for Brandon, heart tied to such a willful, changeable creature as Mary."
"Sir Edwin Caskoden, you need not take the trouble to speak to me at all unless you can use language more respectful concerning my mistress. The queen knows what she is about, but it appears that you cannot see it. I see it plainly though, although no word has ever been spoken to me on the sub-ject. As to Brandon being tied to her, seems to me she is tied to him and that he holds the reins. He could drive her into the mouth of purgatory."

"Do you think so?" I remained in thought a moment or two and concluded that she was right. In truth, the time had come to me when I believed that Jane, with her good sense and acute discernment, ould not be wrong in anything, and I think so yet. So I took comfort on faith from her and asked, "Do you remember what you said should happen off and play a game of cards with himbefore we return to England?"

Jane hung her head. "I remember." She then put her hand in mine and murmured, "I am ready any time you

Great heaven! I thought I should go out of my senses. She should have told me gradually. I had to do something to express my exultation, so I walked over to a bronze statue of Bacchus, about my size—that is, height -put my hat, which I had been carrying under my arm, on his head, cut a

see acted the part of injured innocence
so perfectly that the poor old man few capers in an entirely new and equally antic step, and then drew back and knocked that Bacchus down. Jane thought I had gone stark mad, and her eyes grew big with wonder, but I walked proudly back to her after my victory over Bacchus and reassured her-with a few of Mary's messages that I had still left over, if the truth must be told. Then we made arrange-

ments that resulted in our marriage Accordingly Queen Mary and one or two others went with us down to a little church, where, as fortune would have it, there was a little priest ready to join together in the holy bonds of wedlock little Jane and little me-everything so appropriate, you see. I suppose in the whole world we couldn't have found another set of conditions so harmonious. Mary laughed and cried and laughed again, and clapped her hands over and over, and said it was "like a play wedding," and, as she kissed Jane, quietly slipped over her head a beautiful diamond necklace that was worth full £10,000-aside, that is, from the millions of actual value because it came from Mary. "A play

wedding" it was, and a play life it has We were barely settled at court in Paris when Mary began to put her plans in motion and unsettle things



ry's sympathy toward Louis, for the roung queen soon took it upon herself to make life a burden to "the Pather of His People," and in that particular line then, remember the provocation, and

All this was easier for her than you might suppose, for the king's grasp of power, never very strong, was beginning to relax even what little grip it had. All faces were turned toward the rising sun, young Francis, duke of Angouleme, the king's distant cousin, who would soon be king in Louis' place. As this young rising sun, himself vast-ly smitten with Mary, openly encour-aged her in what she did, the courtiers of course followed suit, and the old king found himself surrounded by a court only too ready to be amused by

his lively young queen at his expense.

This condition of affairs Mary welcomed with her whole soul, and to accent it and nail assurance, I fear, played and fell in love with her husband, aged heartstrings of the young duke, which latives. Mr. Herdman's family took leged, he had slandered her. dauphin, had fallen desperately in love with them. Mrs. Herdman sought her on. This Francis d'Angouleme, the against which the fact that he was returned to Scotland with her. On tongue and slashed it. in no way militated. He was a very distant relative of Louis, going away back to St. Louis for his heirship to the French crown. The king had she intends that her husband shall be daughters in plenty, but, as you know, the gallant Frenchmen say according to their law salic, "The realm of France is so great and glorious a heri."

ANGRY JAPS AWAIT Story of his removal:
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"One day I received word that a dear contents of the story of his removal: France is so great and glorious a heritage that it may not be taken by a friend of mine in London was seriously tage that it may not be taken by a ill and I set off at once to see her.

pers under a queen.

Francis had for many years lived at court as the recognized heir, and, as the custom was, called his distant coustin Louis "Uncle." "Uncle" Louis in turn called Francis "Ce Gros Garcon," and Queen Mary called him "Monsieur, mon beau fils," in a mock motherly manner that was very laughable. A mother of eighteen to a "good boy" of twenty-two! Dangerous relationship!

And dangerous indeed it would have word in the person of the man and those of my agent were futile, but and those of my agent were futil in Mary, who repaid it by holding him off and evading him in a manner so And dangerous indeed it would have dows, and no so must admit they are at times somewhat akin. Soon she eluded him so completely that for days he would not neither his wife nor the respect he owed the king to stand in the way of his very marked attention to the queen. His position as heir and his long residence at court, almost as son to Louis, gray him ample opportunities for pression of the distance and his long residence at court, almost as son to Louis, gray him ample opportunities for pression of the distance in the position of the Island of Sakhalin. The public is keenly awaiting an explanation from the government but the promise to convene a special session of the diet immediately after the have a glimpse of her, while she was perhaps riding, walking or coquetting with some of the court gallants, who gave him ample opportunities for pressing his unseemly suit. He was the first to see Mary at the meeting place

they could. He became almost frantic this side of Abbeville, and was the king's representative on all occasions.

"Beau fils" was rather a handsome fellow, but thought himself vastly tical joke of which he does not see orhandsomer than he was, and had some talents, which he was likewise careful to estimate at their full value, to say the least. He was very well liked by women, and in turn considered himself angry-which was so easy for her to do irresistible. He was very impression- St. Petersburg Municipality Refuses to -and, I grieve to say, would sometimes almost swear at him in a manner to able to feminine charms, was at heart a libertine, and, as he grew older, bemake the pious though ofttimes lax virtued court ladies shudder with hor-ror. She would at other times make came a debauchee whose memory will sport of his youthful ardor and tell him taint France for centuries to come. than his wickedness, being blinded to the latter by the veil of her own innofor him to behave so and frighten her, a poor, timid little child, with his impetuosities. Then she would manage cence. She laughed at and with him, and permitted herself a great deal of to give him the slip, and he would go his company—so much, in fact, that I grew a little jealous for Brandon's self, firmly convinced in his own feeble way that woman's nature had a tincture of the devil in it. He was the soul of conciliatory kindness to the young vixen, but at times she would break violently into tears, accuse him of cruelly mistreating her, a helpless woman and a stranger in his court, and threaten to go home to dear old England and

> untarily prove false and remain in France either as the wife or the mistress of Francis, that Brandon would quietly but surely contrive some means to take her life, and I hoped he would. I spoke to my wife, Jane, about the queen's conduct, and she finally admitted that she did not like it, so I, unable to remain silent any longer, determined to put Mary on her guard, and for that

"Oh, you goose!" she said laughingly. "He is almost as great a fool as Hen-Then the tears came to her eyes, was so good to him and loved him so nd half angrily, half hysterically, shaking me by the arm, she continued: "Do you not know? Can you not see occasion she kept the king waiting at almost my life, just to fall upon my face in front of Charles Brandon at this moment? Do you not know that a woman with a love in her heart such as I have for him is safe from every -through the window-she went to one and everything; that it is her sheet the door and scolded the poor old king

anchor, sure and fast? Have you not wit enough to know that?"
"Yes, I have," I responded, for the vorite tactics she had, as usual, put me in the wrong, though I soon came

when she would make the king gorge "But he is so base that I grieve to himself with unhealthful food and coax see you with him." him "to drink as much as Brother "I suppose he is not very good," she Henry," which invariably resulted in responded, "but it seems to be the way Louis de Valois finding lodgment under of these people among whom I have the table. This amused the whole fallen, and he cannot harm me." court except a few old cronies and "Oh, but he can! One does not go physicians, who, of course, were scannear smallpox, and there is a moral dalized beyond measure. She took the contagion quite as dangerous, if not so king on long rides with her on cold perceptible, and equally to be avoided. It must be a wonderfully healthy days, and would jolt him almost to death and freeze him until the cold moral nature, pure and chaste to the tears streamed down his poor pinched core, that will be entirely contagion nose, making him feel like a half ani-

proof and safe from it." She hung her head in thought and then lifted her eyes appealingly to me. "Am I not that, Edwin? Tell me! Tell me frankly; am I not? It is the one thing of good I have always striven for. I am so full of other faults that if I have not that there is no good in me." Her eyes and voice were full of tears, and I knew in my heart that I

stood before as pure a soul as ever hapter, each old fellow—being man for his age, you undered and for his age came from the hand of God. Mary was killing Louis as certainly with a sense of reverence, faith and Not long after this Lady Caskoden and I were given permission to return

> for our homeward journey TO BE CONTINUES

SEVENTY-FIVE YEAR OLD COUPLE ELOPE.

LONDON, Sept. 30.-Mrs. Thomas Herdman, eighty-two years old, met

woman." Too great and glorious to be taken by a woman, forsooth! France would have been vastly better off had ing at my home, I was informed that she been governed by a woman now my husband had been taken away, and and then, for a country always prost that his place of residence was un-

to go into the witness box and swear that he is perfectly sane."

AGAINST WITTE.

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 5.-A strong entiment against Count Witte develop ed at a caucus of the St. Petersburg municipality yesterday evening, called to discuss civic action in recognition of his services at Portsmouth. the first time began to have doubts of her. I seriously feared that when Louis should die Brandon might find a much more dangerous rival in the new king, who, although married, would probably try to keep Mary at his court even should he be driven to the extreme of divorcing Claude as Claude's father had divorced Joan.

I believed, in case Mary should voluntarily prove false and remain in Trance either as the wife on the count with the freedom of the city or an address were rejected and a resolution was adopted declaring that he is not worthy of any such honor because his services at Portsmouth "were only a redeeming at Portsmouth "were only a redeeming at Portsmouth "were only a redeeming of the Vatican gardens. There were responsible for the war."

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purpose spoke very freely to her on the CAVE DWELLERS A MILLION YEARS AGO LICENSED DOGS

discovered the fossilized remains of a gasked, "How is that?"

yellow dog. This dog came to his "Why," rejoined the pastor, "every time a sheep gets it foot out of my death away back in those dim ages fold you bark from one end of the town on a trial order. death away back in those dim ages-just as many a dog does to-day, by being thrown into the water with a time completely silenced. With her fa- stone tied around his neck. The weight was still attached to the petrified corpse with the twisted wire grass rope that had been used by the irate cave dweller who had no further use

NEW TENOR DISCOVERED

who made the 'find,' "he will rank with our greatest tenors." He is marvelous-instructed to see that the local author-ly gifted said Miss Schreck. He shall have a stage name as a combination of Curuso and Dereszke, for he will equal them both.

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SLASHES FORMER HUSBAND'S TONGUE.

KANSAS CITY, Mo., Oct. 4-Mrs. ever so lightly and coyly upon the 75, without the knowledge of their re- with a butcher knife, because, she alheartstrings of the young duke, which responded all too loudly to her velvet touch and almost frightened her to death with their volume of sound later took the bridegroom back to England took the bridegroom back to England with a pencil he whote that Mrs. Fanwith Mary at first sight, something husband, and when she found him re him while the woman pulled out his Thomas and Mrs. Fannon declared married to Claude, daughter of Louis, Sunday, however, Mr. Herdman's son the cutting was done in a general fight

GOVERNMENTS EXPLANATION

TOKIO, Oct. 5-In passing the peace treaty yesterday the privy council has clearly impressed upon the Anti-peace agitators the impossibility of a

And dangerous indeed it would have been for Mary had she not been as pure and true as she was willful and impetuous. "Mon beau fils" allowed a happy meeting and I shall never formeasure policy of the Government as

REFORMING RUSSIAN NAVY

been fulfilled, it is growing impatient

ST. PETERSBURG, Oct. 5.-Inefficient officers are to be gradually weeded out of the Russian navy bureau withbetter men. In a rescript addressed to the minister of marine Emperor Nicholas directs him to retire compulso irly all naval officers who are unable to fulfill the higher requirements which the projected reforms in the service will demand. Officers so retired are to be pensioned on favorable conditions, to be determined on later.

POPE A PATRON OF SPORT

Reval to use Polish or German as the language of instruction in all studies The Rev. Elijah Kellogg, it is said, was once fiercely opposed during one of his pastorates by an infidel in the town, who was a leader in all opposition to religion, and took much satisfaction in discovering the inconsistencies in the lives of church members, and in publishing them through the neighborhood. For some reason he decided to remove to another part of the state. Meeting the pastor one day, he said: "Well, I except Russian grammar, history and The Rev. Elijah Kellogg, it is said, ST. PAUL, Minn., Oct. 4—A million years or more ago the cave dwellers who lived in and about the present Bad Lands of the Dakotas made pets of white mice and ornamented them with rings of bone.

Aaron Ardon, of St. Cloud, Minn., archaeologist, who has done much work in that field so rich in fossils, discovered the fossilized remains of a yellow dog. This dog came to his

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QUEEN-SHEPHERDESS

ture's head while it was quite young, and when the mouse had attained full size the ornament could not be ress and in wooden sandals. The 'carabinier' did not take any notice of her,

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for the dog. The rope was also petrified.

Professor Ardon accidentally dropped this wonderful petrification shortly after he found it and it broke in two across the centre, showing clearly in what had been the canine stomach a petrified white mouse with a bone ring around its neck. The ring had evidently been slipped over the little creature's head while it was quite young, and when the mouse had attained full

The Dowager Queen Margharita, of Italy, is a passionate Alpinist. Living Star Course, to be given during the coming season, are of a class which under ordinary circumstances would under ordinary circumstances would under ordinary high price for, but with the system adopted by Mr. Spencer in promoting the courses in so many different places, and appealing in place the prices at a figure which is not above the purse of any one. Subscribusing outside upon her royal highness's return. A short time afterwards a woman out dressed as a shepherd-The entertainments in the Spencer about the dog's neck and on one side was carved a strange design. Evidently it was a dog license, and its presence indicates that communities in those ancient times also suffered from the stray canine nuisance.

abinieri' did not take any notice of her, and were waiting patiently for fully three hours upon the queen's return. Much disturbed, they at last entered the house, to learn the queen's fate. A gay fit of laughter received them.

Upon returning to the villa, they learned that the queen had returned long ago, dressed as a peasant woman of Gressoney.

abinieri' did not take any notice of her, and were waiting patiently for fully three hours upon the queen's return. Much disturbed, they at last entered that by paying a small additional sum the privilege of securing a seat four days in advance is granted. A card to either of the canvassers, Miss Bertha Barnes, 110 St. James, and Miss Nellie Thompson, 177 Prince William, will secure a call to any address, and information will be gladly given.

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