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was Jack Delancey's liking for the girl.

Unfortunately, on the plains, as well as in other primitive and sparsely settled communities, actions and words frequently cause more weight than they would do in large social circles. Therefore Calvin Larned was not alone in surmising that Jack Delancey intended, ultimately, to make Metta his wife. All "the boys" looked upon such a climax as a foregone conclusion, and even Spencer Knight shared in the general opinion. Indeed, the belief alone prevented Knight himself from entering the race for Met Larned; for the foreman, who had never exchanged more than 20 sentences with Metta, loved the girl with an affection which never paused to make pyschological estimate or social comparisons—a love that was only surpassed by his deep and undying loyalty to Delancey, for whose sake he kept his secret so well that not a living soul ever once dreamed of it.

Cal. Larned's derogatrry remarks at the "round up" anent Jack Delancey were not nearly so severe as his mental comments upon the same living subject. In his own mind he thought that the Englishman had been "foolin' around" Metta quite long enough.

One Sabbath when Spencer Knight and most of "the boys" had gone to Cheyenne with 200 young steers to ship by the railroad to Chicago, Delancey, as was his custom on Sunday mornings in summer, brought his hammock outside the long low shanty, swung it on the shady side of the building, lit his pipe, and stretched himself out to enjoy the three-weeks-old *Illustrated London News*.

"Mornin' Jack!" exclaimed a voice—the only voice whose accents usually disgusted Delancy.

"Good morning," replied Jack, lazily looking up. He has noticed that the visitor was afoot, and added: "You didn't walk over, Larned?"

"Not much, I didn't, I seen your barn door open as I come up, an' found empty stall, so I hitched my pony an' got him a feed o' your oats—s'pose thet's all right?"

"Oh, certainly; you are very welcome," said Jack, as vexed as a man could be with Larned's take it for granted style, but willing to tolerate the fellow for his daughter's sake.

"Purty dry an' dusty, Jack. Can't you pass the bottle, me son? A smell o' rye or Bourbon, or even a couple o' fingers of gin, wouldn't go bad."

"I do not like my men to use liquor, so do not use it myself, and have none on the place. You will find good spring water at the well, yonder, and plenty of milk in the cellar. That's the best I can do for you Larned. Help yourself."

But neither milk nor water possessed any charms for Cal. Larned. He threw himself full length upon the rough bench which ran along the shanty, and filled his mouth with fine cut tobacco, which he chewed very carefully for the space of five minutes. He then succeeded in drowning a grasshopper some 10 feet away from him by a dexterous discharge of black juice, and proceeded directly to the matter which just then accounted for his presence at the Delancey ranch.

"Coming over to our place to-day, Jack?"

Delancey in despair threw down his paper and replied: "Yes, I think so,"

"Well, now, Jack, how long is it since you planted yonrself down here?"

"About four years."

"So? How long was you here when I gev you a knock-down to my gal?"

"Almost a year."

"So? Well, now, I ain't much of a scholar, so of my calkerlations are wrong kindly kerect me. One year from four years leaves three years. Now, on yer own showin' you've been sparkin' Met for three years. Now, Jack, when are yer goin' to marry my gal?"

Jack sat up in his hammock and dangled one leg on the ground. Slowly he repeated Larned's words: When—am—I—going— to—marry —your—girl! You mean, when shall I marry Metta?—You are not indulging in a confoundedly poor joke, I hope, Larned?"

"Do I look as ef I wur sky-larkin' or as ef I meant bizness? No, Jack Delancey, I'm askin' you a squar' question' an' if you're the man they say you are, you'll give me a straight answer. How is it?"

"My good fellow, I have never made love to your daughter for the very reason that I have never dreamt of marrying her. I have every respect for Met and esteem her very much; but I have been particularly careful to give her no false impressions. Besides, I believe Metta and I understand each other quite well. Metta—"

"You speak for yourself, Delancey. Don't I know all about her? Ain't I seen her change in the last three years until she don't think of nobody nor nothin' but you? Can't I see how she's a growin' sick an' weary of watin' for you to ax her?"

Jack put his other leg out of the hammock, and with two of his big strides stood over his would-be father-in-law. "Tell me one thing," he said, in a tone of voice which indicated that it would not be well for his listener to tamper with him. "Tell me the truth, man, of your own child, Does Met care all that about me, and does she really believe that—that I love her?"

"She does."

"So help you God?"

"See here, Delancey" said Leonard, clumsily rising to his feet, what do you take me for? What do you suppose I care about you? You never used me half decent anyhow. You an' yer keep-yer-distance, lord-dook style! I ain't in love with you, nor yet your belongings. I know I ain't a general favorite hearabouts. But Met's my gal, an' I'm her dad, an' curse me, Delancey, ef I'm a-goin to stand by and see her young heart broke an' the best years of her young life fooled away by you nor yit no other gay rooster!"

"That will do," said Jack quietly. "I care nothing for your blundering threats. As you say, there is no love lost between you and me. But there is that which I dislike even more—Mr. Larned, and you will never find me guilty of any dishonorable conduct—Yes, I will ride over this afternoon."

Cal. Larned had acted his part well, and knew it. He was fully aware that his point was practically carried, for having succeeded in influencing a man like Jack Delancey, he knew it would be an easy matter to mold Metta to his will; so he indulged in considerable chuckling as he shuffled off to mount his pony and ride home.

A few days later Spencer Knight returned. In the evening he and Delancey strolled down to the creek to smoke an after-supper pipe. "Spencer," said Jack, "I am going to marry Metta Larned."

"Yes," responded the other, "we all thought it would come to that. I hope you will both be very happy, Delancey."

Curious enough, each of the men for the first time in the course of their acquaintance, remarked a strange glumness in the other. They not only remarked it, but both remembered it very vividly. There was no gladness about Delancey's announcement, and Knight's congratulatory reply had a counterfeit ring about it.

"Next Monday," said Jack, after a pause, "I shall start for home to make the folks over there a visit before settling down for life. You will stay and take care of things for me while I am gone, won't you, Spencer? I shall not be away more than a couple of months, and during that time I should like to have the carpenters over from Cheyenne and run up a comfortable cottage over yonder by the poplars. Consult Metta as much as possible."

Delancey spoke so mechanically that Knight knew, beyond the shadow of a doubt, that something was wrong. But he made no inquiries."

"All right, Delancey; and when you return I shall ask for leave of absence for a similar purpose. Like yourself, I am an Englishman. There was a little unpleasantness in our family, which induced me to locate in the West some 12 years ago. The other day I saw an old friend of mine, who was passing through Cheyenne. We talked matters over, and I think past differences can now be adjusted. However, I will not pester you with my affairs to-night."

Somehow or other Jack Delancey was absent from his ranch eight months instead of two, so that the following summer had commenced by the time he returned to his Western quarters.

"We will leave business until to-morrow, Spence," said Jack, as he and his first lieutenant sauntered toward the creek. "Let us talk of other matters to-night."

As a matter of fact, they said nothing at all for almost half an hour. Then Delancey spoke; "How is Metta? I have heard nothing from her for two months. I told her not to write, as I was so uncertain about starting. How is she?"

"Metta is well, very well."

Silence again, this time broken by Knight: "Delancey!" Both men paused in their walk, and Jack puffed violently at his pipe. "You picked me up a stranger and treated me like the white man that you are. You had faith in my manhood and you have trusted me implicitly. Have I justified your confidence?"

"You have, Spence—a thousand times over, boy. Here is my hand on it."

Thanks, Delancey. Now trust me a little more, and believe me that I would not pry into your private affairs for the mere sake of being meddlesome or to wound you. May I go ahead?"

"Surely. Let us sit on this bowlder."

"Delancey, you just asked about Metta. You do not love that girl. I knew it the night that we were last on this spot, when you told me of your engagement to her. You will never be really happy with Metta as your wife."

"Stop" said Jack, with a faint smile. "This question is undebatable. I have asked Metta to marry me, and it is utterly impossible to discuss this matter."

"But," persisted Knight "you love with all your heart and soul another woman. You cannot deny that—you do not desire to deny it. You love, as you can never hope to love Metta, my sister Florence."

"Nonsense, Spence! Lady Florence Knighton, your sister?"

"The very same. You see, my dear fellow, I too am an honorable.' It was a rather shabby trick on your part. Delancey, to go over there and lose your heart to my sister, while you kept me all these months waiting to become reconciled to my father. But to return to our subject. You not only fell desperately in love with Flo, but you have stolen the poor girl's heart away from her."

"Indeed, Spence. I have been strictly honorable in this matter. While at home I made no secret of my engagement, and studiously avoided anything like a flirtation with Lady Florence. We were thrown much together, and I confess—. Well, that makes no difference; I am here to keep my word with Metta."

"I admit, Delancey," said Knighton rather comically, "that in the presence of my sister you tried your best to behave like a sphinx; but—I have it on the authority of my married sister—your attempt was a signal failure; while as for Florence she has made a clean confession to her sister. Now, are you going to make Flo miserable as well as yourself?"

"I am grieved to learn," muttered Jack, "that I have unintentionally caused your sister temporary distress. But as for myself—I think that a fellow need not feel particularly miserable in living up to his word. No; I shall marry Metta Larned."

"Wait awhile," continued Knighton, laying his hand upon his friend's shoulder. "Metta Larned does not love you! What do you say to that?"

"Possibly so. But how do you know that to be the cause?"

"Because—why—er—. You havn't a pistol about you, Delancey? Well the fact is, that Met loves me and I love her, and, if you don't seriously object, we should both of us live to release you from your engagement! "Yes" he went on, I suppose you ought to demand an explanation and satisfaction from me for robbing you of your affianced bride. But I did not begin the robbery until I was tolerable sure that I shouldn't be striking you very hard. As I said, I surmised a good deal when you went away, and learned much more before you started for home. A month ago Cal Larned died—gored by a young bull—and before his death he confessed to me that he had terrorised Met and played a 'bluff game with you. You are not very angry, are you Delancey?"

Jack certainly did not look very angry, and he grasped his friend's hand and shook it with remarkable vigor.

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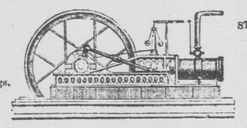

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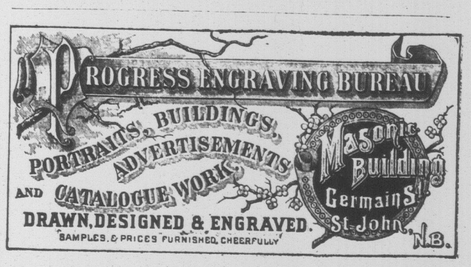

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