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LITTLE VIXEN

CHAPTER V.

Vixen did not understand the eager
cries that had greeted her sudden ap-
pearance any more than she did the
impulsive action of Tracy Tempest.
She thought there must be some
strange mistake, and as the wild
rose bloom mantled her cheeks as
flicking her white hands to remove the
flowers from her head, she said, smilingly:

"There is some mistake, sir. This
crown belongs to my sister Lettie. It
was she who was chosen Queen of the
May."

A puzzled look came into the dark
eyes of Tracy Tempest, but he hastily
drew away her hand as she would have
taken off the wreath, while he said,
positively:

"There is no mistake, Miss Vixen,
unless you have made one yourself.
You were certainly chosen queen by
the committee, and you have no right
to transfer the crown."

The look of wonder only deepened in
the bright blue eyes raised so innocently
to his face.

Vixen drew a long breath and ex-
claimed:

"But Lettie said—"
The sentence was never finished, for
Lettie, who had managed to get close
beside her, slipped her arm about her
waist, and under pretense of giving
her an affectionate embrace, gave her
a warning pinch and hissed in her
ear, a low, fierce, sibilant:

"Hush!"

An instant inkling of the truth dawned
upon Vixen's mind, and she uttered no
more remonstrances. Blushing and
smiling she stood there listening to
Tracy Tempest's gallant little corona-
tion speech, while Lettie shrunk into
the background, mortified, defeated,
and a prey to the bitterest jealousy
and anger, hating lovely, smiling Vixen
who stood there so bright and happy
and self-possessed, receiving the hon-
ors of the day like a real little queen.

The little beauty was neither bashful
nor forward, neither overwhelmed by
her honors nor disdainful of them.
She was simply graceful and charm-
ing, and Tracy Tempest noted with
surprise her gentle, well-bred air,
quite equal to that of young ladies in
his own set.

"How strange that old Jarvis should
have such a daughter," he thought, as
he stood at some distance under a
shady tree, watching the motley throng
doing honor to the sweet, spring's
queen. He saw the old gardener ap-
proach in his Sunday best, as Vixen
had desired, and when he bowed his
old gray head before the dainty sover-
eign, she threw her white arms round
his neck with impetuous grace and
kissed his brown wrinkled face with
her fresh red lips.

"How could that homely, common-
looking old man have such a dainty
daughter?" Tracy Tempest asked him-
self again, and the fanciful thought
that came to him was that the old
gardener's passion and care for beau-
tiful flowers had so filled his soul that
this fair girl was the outward sign of
a bright, fresh, wild flower. He
caught himself comparing her in his
mind to a wild rose, a daisy, a violet,
all the sweet cool, dewy things of the
spring.

Then suddenly he heard his name
called from the long porch where his
sister was sitting with some guests
who had come down with him from
Washington.

"Come, Lettie," said a young widow, an au-
thor and an artist.

They wanted to ask him about the
interruption to the coronation they had
witnessed just now. Why had he taken
the crown from the brunette's head to
place it on the blonde's? He explained
that the latter was the choice of the
committee, but that being suddenly
taken sick she had sent her sister as a
substitute. On her appearance at the
last moment the people had insisted
that she wear the crown herself.

"Either one was pretty enough to be
queen," the artist said. "Are they any-
body in particular?"

"Daughters of old Jarvis, our old
gardener," Tracy Tempest answered,
carelessly, and everyone but the artist,
Harriet Arnold, lost interest at once.
He was young, and beauty had his
peculiar charm for him.

"Be they lovely as may be, they are
beautiful," he said. "I shall ask them
to give me some sittings for a picture
called 'Night and Morning'."

Lindsay Greville, the author, declared
with an important air that he
should put them into his next novel
as rival beauties.

Mrs. Maybourn, the rich widow, who
was getting a little passeé, and was
jealous of youth and beauty, smpered,
and said with contemptuous malice:

"And I would put them in my house
for make-all-work if I could per-
suade them to go into service. What
do you think, Mrs. Tempest? Could I
like them?"

Even Mrs. Tempest, who was proud
in her way, could not resist the ven-
omous thrust. She answered a little
coolly:

"Nathan Jarvis has been at Cedar-
hurst all his life, and is independent in
his humble way. I daresay he would be
offended if anyone suggested such a
wish to his daughters."

CHAPTER VI.

Meanwhile the village band from its
station in a pretty little summer house,
began to discourse stirring strains of
dance music, and there was a flutter
among the lads and lasses on the
green.

"They are going to dance," said
Lindsay Greville. "Mrs. Tempest,
would it be in regle for us to dance
with the village maids today? If so,
I beg leave to have Tracy introduce
me to the May Queen, and I will trip
a measure with her on the village
green."

Mrs. Tempest languidly gave him
carte blanche, and the artist joined
them.

"I will take the brunette," he said
laughingly, and they forthwith deserted
the aristocratic group on the porch
for the rustic beauties of the lawn.

Little Vixen had been sadly chag-
rined when Tracy Tempest went
back to the porch so soon.

"He does not mean to dance with
the queen. It is just as Lettie said.
He is too proud to stoop to his gar-
dener's daughter," she said to herself
sulkily, and the triumph she was en-
joying lost some of its piquant flavor.

But the sound of the gay music set
her heart beating joyously again. She
knew that her lisping admirer, San-
ders, and the rest of the boys, as
she called them, would be promptly on
hand to dance with her, and dismissed
all hopes of Prince Charming with a
little airy sigh blown from her rosy
lips softly as a zephyr.

And then she saw him coming to her
over the green grass with two
guests. Another minute and Tracy
Tempest had presented them, and the
grave-looking young author had asked
her to dance.

She accepted with a smile, and then
Lettie's turn came. The artist was
her partner, and she was vis-a-vis to
Vixen. Tracy Tempest, who had rather
an indolent air, and thought it too
great an exertion to dance, took
Lindsay Greville under the May pole to
watch the quadrille and the wildflower
face of Lettie Vixen.

(To Be Continued.)

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live for. There, however, is a cure—
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THE KENTUCKY GOVERNORSHIP.
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governorship case was today decided
by the United States supreme court
in the interest of Beckham (Demo-
crat), affirming the decision of the
Kentucky court of appeals.

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They're like Jonah's gourd—spring up in
a night and vanish in a night.

There's nothing of a permanent or stable
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the market more than twenty years. It has
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In the year 1894 her husband wrote the fol-
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Finally she tried Burdock Blood Bitters
and after taking six bottles was entirely
cured. That is now more than two years
ago and she has had no return of the malady.

I also have had occasion to use B.B.B.
and I cannot speak too highly in its favor.
I always recommend it to my friends and in
every case with good results.

(Signed) Wm. Day.

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return of it for more than four years, when
she thought she had symptoms of the old
trouble, and to make sure that there would
be no recurrence she took a bottle of B.B.B.
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and to-day she is enjoying the best of health."

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4 Wards

Reduction Adopted by a
Vote of 14 to 4.

The Cigarette License for the
Year Cut Down to \$15.

Ald. Pritchard Grows Abusive—
Board of Education Presents
Supplementary Estimates.

The disposal of the wards of their
rearrangement, which has been a
matter of conjecture for so many
months, was settled, at least for the
time being, at last night's meeting
of the city council, when it was de-
cided to request the lieutenant-governor
in council to divide the city into
four wards, thus reducing the number
of aldermen to twelve. During the
discussion that preceded the settle-
ment, a number of the aldermen made
known their intention to oppose this
decision, for various reasons. Some
of them had previously signified their
intention of favoring it, and Ald.
Cooper was also of the opinion that re-
duction be made last year, but for
some reason he had changed his opin-
ion. Ald. Ross also was of a different
mind last night to that in which he
had been lately. However, the matter
now stands with a motion passed to
have only four wards.

A clause in the report of the legis-
lative committee referring to a pro-
posed grant to the Metal Polishers
in view of the proposed legislation
in the course of which Ald. Pritchard
made some rather severe remarks,
for which he was taken to task by Ald.
Plant. The matter of cigarette li-
censes also was taken up, and it was
now the tobaccoists will have to
pay only \$15 for this privilege. The
reconsideration of the purchase of
hose, and the consideration of the
school board's supplementary esti-
mates were passed over quietly, the
former being thrown out entirely, and
the latter being referred to commit-
tee.

WARD ABOLITION.
Ald. Brenner introduced this subject
by moving that the number of wards be
reduced to four.

Ald. Plant spoke at length on the
matter, favoring the reduction.

Ald. Pritchard preferred that his pre-
viously-made proposal, that the wards
be not abolished, but that aldermen be
elected for a three-years term, should
be submitted to a vote of the citizens.

Ald. Ross said the scheme, especial-
ly in view of the proposed legislation
forcing aldermanic candidates to show
qualification, would tend to perpetuate
a system that was bound to produce
anarchy and misrule.

Mayor Smith left the chair to
state his opinion on the matter, and
people, he said, had asked for ward
abolition. This could not be had as
desired. Then the nearest thing pos-
sible should be obtained. Ald.
Pritchard's motion, he allowed, had
more. He was surprised at Ald.
Ross opposing the measure, as he had
recently told the speaker that he would
support the mayor's proposal.

Major Ross said he supported the
four-ward plan, but who now spoke
against it. He wondered at their lack
of principle, and their inconsistency.
In view of the fact that they had
knocked out, they turned around and
said they never contended for it. He
hoped that the aldermen would support
a motion that provided as closely as
possible that which the people de-
sired.

Ald. Garratt's proposal that the six
wards be retained, and a three-year
term be introduced was lost, only Ald.
Cooper, Dreaney and Garratt support-
ing it.

THE REDUCTION TO THE FOUR WARDS
carried on the following division:
Yeas—Ald. Pritchard, Jenkins, Win-
der, Jolly, Stevenson, Winnett, Mal-
loch, Plant, Bartlett, Gerry, Wray, Bar-
ned, Brenner and the mayor—14.

Nays—Ald. Ross, Cooper, Garratt and
Dreaney—4.

SOME CROSSFIRING.
The legislative committee's recom-
mendation that \$100 be granted to the
Metal Polishers' Union for the enter-
tainment of the delegates to the annual
convention to be held here, occasioned
an unusual discussion. A number of
aldermen thought that the committee
itself should make use of the money
for this purpose, but Ald. Brenner con-
sidered the intention was that the mo-
ney should be added to the union's
funds.

Ald. Ross said this was not the in-
tention and he was surprised at Ald.
Brenner saying that it was.

Ald. Brenner informed Ald. Ross that
he did not intend to be represented as
a liar.

Ald. Pritchard said he had reason to
believe that this organization was
largely instrumental in maintaining a
most devilish conspiracy against the
city's interests. He would oppose any
grant that would assist them to "keep
up a jamboree."

Ald. Plant said he would not allow
Ald. Pritchard to make any such in-
sultation. The workmen of the
city were a credit to the community.
They were honest and industrious. If
there had been trouble in the city, and
it was now in a quiet state, members of
this board should not stir it up again.

Ald. Pritchard sought to go, if, as he
(Pritchard) had claimed, the latter had
reason to believe that the organization
was assisting in a devilish conspiracy
against the city's interests, then he
was recalcitrant in his duty if he did not
inform against them; otherwise he was
making a misstatement.

The trouble subsided, and the money
was put in the hands of the committee
by the following division:
Yeas—Ald. Brenner, Winder, Jenkins,
Stevenson, Ross, Winnett, Cooper, Gar-
ratt, Dreaney, Plant, Gerry and
Wray—12.

Nays—Ald. Pritchard, Jolly, Malloch
and Bartlett—4.

CIGARETTE LICENSE.
No. 3 committee recommended that
the bylaw imposing a yearly license of
\$50 for the sale of cigarettes be re-
scind, and instead a fee of \$15 for
their sale, and \$10 for the sale of to-
bacco and cigars.

Mr. W. J. Clarke, on behalf of the to-
baccoists asked that the former fee be
reduced to \$10.

Dr. Stevenson contended that cigar-
ettes were not harmful. He suggested
that the fee be \$10 for the sale of ci-
garettes and that no tax be placed on
cigars or tobacco.

This was lost on the following divi-
sion: Yeas—Ald. Pritchard, Brenner,
Jenkins, Jolly, Stevenson, Malloch, Bar-
ned, Dreaney—8. Nays—Ald. Winder,
Ross, Winnett, Cooper, Garratt, Plant,
Bartlett, Gerry, Wray—9.

Ald. Pritchard's motion to the effect
that the license fee be \$15 in toto car-
ried.

A bylaw requiring all laws to be
2 1/2 inches below the level of all cement
walks hereafter laid was adopted.

COMMUNICATIONS.
The Canadian Rubber Company com-
municated to the council in reference
to the report made by other lenders,
that the hose tested was not the kind
they intended to supply. The council
was at liberty to keep the length that
was tested until the new supply came.
If it were not like the sample it could
be rejected. Passed.

Drs. Moorhouse, Wilson and Niven
appeared to make a request for \$200 to
be applied to a fund for the purchase
of awnings and furniture for the mar-
tens ward. Private subscriptions
amounted to \$200. Granted.

George S. Gould, secretary of the
Builders' Exchange, asked that the
body have proper representation on the
Public Library and other public boards.
Referred to the legislative committee.

A petition was received asking the
council to negotiate with the street
railway company for the extension of
their tracks along South street, east
from Wellington, to connect with the
Hamilton road line. Referred to No. 1.

Mr. Kingston reported that the drain
on Horton street, between Richmond
and Tabac streets, existed prior to the
construction of the trunk sewer, and it
was built by parties interested with-
out the payment of rates to the munici-
pality. No. 2.

The board of education submitted its
supplementary estimates for the year,
May 15, 1900, to May 15, 1901, amount-
ing to \$123,089.58. No. 1.

Objection was made to the adoption
of the clause in No. 1 committee's re-
port that the petition of Albert Smith
against a personal property tax be
filed. Referred back to committee.
Mr. J. W. T. Park's case was also re-
ferred back.

Petitions against laying cement
walks on south side Carling street,
east side Argyle street, and south side
Saunby street, were filed, as they were
not received in time, and walks on
these streets are necessary.

Cement walks will be laid on west
side Talbot street, between Simcoe and
Horton streets, and on north side of
Queen's avenue, between English and
Ontario streets.

With the exception of the clause re-
cigarette licenses, No. 3 committee's
report was adopted as read.

The Ontario Association of Station-
ary Engineers were granted the use
of the city hall on May 28.

Ald. Gerry's motion to reconsider the
purchase of hose was lost.

A tile sewer will be laid on Piccadilly
street, between Richmond and
Waterloo streets.

Mr. Lutman will not be given a \$25
increase in salary.

NOTICES OF MOTION.
By Ald. Garratt.—That all work done
by the city engineer on the sewer out-
side the city limits be disclaimed by
the city, and that the county engineer
have supervision of that work.

By Ald. Winnett.—That the purchase
of hose be on the condition that the
supply is according to the sample
tested.

BYLAWS.
Bylaw were passed—To provide for
the construction of a sewer on Full-
erton street, respecting permanent side-
walks and boulevards; appointing Ald.
Garratt, Ald. Douglass' place on the
board of health.

Objection was made to the passage
of a bylaw to prevent sparring exhi-
bitions and boxing matches. It was
proposed to amend the bylaw
for levying taxes for 1900 according to
Ald. Jolly's proposed rearrangement.
His motion was that, instead of charg-
ing 5 per cent increase on overdue
taxes, as at present, the increase be
1 per cent on all unpaid taxes between
Nov. 30 and Dec. 30; 2 per cent until
Jan. 30, and with corresponding in-
creases until after March 30, when 5
per cent would be added.

Ald. Plant, Winnett, the mayor and
others considered that the rearrange-
ment would be no remedy for existing
delinquencies, and it was defeated.

Mayor Russell presided, and all the
aldermen, with the exception of Ald.
Douglass, were present.

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