

SIR WILLIAM'S WILL

Without doubt, Hesketh Carton was a fluent and effective speaker, and possessed of a self-possession and self-command which even those who knew him best did not suspect. It might have been urged against him that he was, if anything, rather too self-possessed, and that his voice and manner lacked warmth. Old Garden was a shocking speaker, but he was an extremely genial man, and in winning an election geniality goes much further than eloquence. However, the party was confident of success, and there was even a rumor that Mr. Hesketh's opponent, a stranger, was already so disheartened that he intended retiring; but, like most rumors, this proved inaccurate, and the fight went on with vigor on both sides, the candidates addressing meetings every evening and canvassing all day.

As a rule, every candidate is more or less hampered by some disadvantage; but Mr. Hesketh Carton's opponents could discover no blot on his scutcheon; he appeared to be one of those rare men without a past; he was popular with his workmen, and in every way a respected member of society; there was really nothing in his life which the other side could lay hold of, and Hesketh went about with an air of smiling modesty and a white waistcoat—emblem of a blameless life.

The polling day approached, and the usually quiet Bramley worked itself up to a state of excitement which was as exhilarating as it was novel. It was arranged that Hesketh should address a big meeting on the eve of the poll, and one or two politicians from London were coming down to support him. The speakers at the meeting were to dine at the Chillingfords', and Lord Chillingford had asked as large a number of the local gentry as was possible to make up the party.

As Hesketh was returning from canvassing that afternoon he met the Danbys, who were driving through the town with the conservative colors attached to the horses' rosettes and the coachman's whip. They pulled up to exchange greetings with the popular candidate, and the crowd, which always gathered round Hesketh Carton when he appeared in the street, looked on approvingly and, indeed, admiringly, as he leaned on the carriage gracefully, and conversed with his usual ease and self-possession with Lady Danby.

"It's quite a foregone conclusion," she said. "Everywhere I go I hear there is no chance for the other man, and I really feel quite sorry for him, we are all looking forward to your speech to-night, and I hope you have not been tiring yourself."

"No, indeed," said Hesketh, in his soft voice. "Yes, I hope that I shall win, Lady Danby; and it will be very ungrateful of me if I do not, for no candidate ever had kinder or more zealous supporters. I shall never forget all you have done for me; it is impossible that I should even try to thank you."

Lady Danby beamed on him as he pressed her hand, and he was telling the coachman to drive on, when she checked him suddenly and said:

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Miss Bramley and Mollie have returned!"

His eyes did not flicker for a moment, and his face expressed just the proper amount of pleasure.

"So sudden and unexpected!" said Lady Danby. "No one knew they were coming back. They arrived about a couple of hours ago. Lord Danby met them, and said they looked so well. Wonderful thing, change! It is not only news, but good news for me; for if you could persuade Miss Bramley to canvass for you—ah, it's almost too late for that, I'm afraid—but, if you could get her to appear on the platform to-night with the rest of us! Oh, that would be splendid!"

"I will see," said Hesketh, with a little nod and a smile. The carriage drove on, and he went home.

A pile of letters stood on his desk, and he took one up and opened it mechanically, but dropped it and stood looking before him thoughtfully. Yes, it would be a great thing for him if Clytie would consent to appear on the platform among his supporters, and he experienced a thrill of gratification, of pleased vanity, at the reflection that she, who had refused him, should be present at one of his triumphs; for, with the quiet confidence of the eloquent man, he knew that he should speak well that night. A very large majority of the audience would be members of his party; there would be excitement, enthusiasm, in fact, triumph—a foretaste of the great and glorious triumph that awaited him to-morrow. Yes, barring accidents, to-morrow he would be a member of Parliament, another step up the ladder of his ambition. His political success would be a happy augury of the future. The master of Bramley and the possessor of Sir William's wealth, to what heights, social and political, might he not rise!

He changed, dressed carefully, and went up to the Hall. The servants were in a state of excitement and bustle, and Sholes came forward with a smile on his expansive countenance, expressive of his delight.

"You've heard the news, I see, sir," he said, as if he were bubbling over with joy. "The young ladies have come home! Come home quite unexpected and suddenlike. None of us knew, excepting Lord Stanton. His lordship went up to London to meet them. I beg your pardon, sir, I'm keeping you standing!"

"I came up to welcome the young ladies," said Hesketh. "I don't know whether they will be too tired to see me, but I will come in on the chance."

He waited in the drawing-room, looking round with half-closed lids, and deciding the style in which he would have it redecorated when it came into his hands. The door opened and Mollie entered. She had a small parcel in one hand and some flowers in the other, so that it seemed that she could not shake hands. She was very brown, not to say freckled, and her eyes looked at him and then hurriedly down.

"How do you do, Mr. Carton? We've come back, you see. Oh, yes, we are very well—both of us. Her eyes rested on his face for a moment, and she went on still more hurriedly: "We've heard of your great doings; Bramley. You are going to be a member of Parliament. How nice! It was very kind of you to spare time to come up, and so soon. I'd ask you to stay to tea, but I am so busy unpacking."

Hesketh Carton murmured the proper response, then said: "I am afraid you will consider my request an unreasonable one, but I have been hoping—how earnestly, you may guess!—that you and Miss Clytie would be present on the platform at my meeting to-night."

Mollie's eyes flashed for an instant, but she hid them quickly. "How kind of you!" she exclaimed. "But I am afraid it is quite impossible. Clytie is rather tired—it has been a long journey."

"You must tell me all about your travels," he said. "Yes," she assented. "Oh, by the way, I have a little present for you, a souvenir. You mustn't open it now. It is only a trifle. And now, I really must go up to Clytie! Good-by! I wish you all the success—you deserve, Mr. Carton."

She put a small box in his hand, instead of shaking hands, rang the bell for Sholes to show him out, and, with a nod and again that strange, quickly hidden flash in her eyes, ran out of the room. He went back to the house at the works and tossed the box, unopened, on his writing-table.

The dinner at the Chillingfords' was an extremely lively one. Everyone felt so certain of success, and the party drove down to the Hall in carriages liberally decorated with Mr. Hesketh Carton's colors. An immense crowd awaited them at the entrance to the Hall; the interior was packed; a thunder of cheers rose from the mass as the party, with Mr. Hesketh bringing up the rear, ascended the platform. Hesketh Carton, with a demurely modest smile, sat down.

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looked over the audience with that all-comprehensive gaze which is so soon acquired by the public speaker. Suddenly he started, and his eyes were fixed on a man seated in the middle of the third row. The face of the man was that of "the insolent fellow" with whom he had had a vulgar and unpleasant disagreement at Withycombe; but the man was no longer dressed in working attire; he wore the conventional clothes of a gentleman, and wore them well. What did it mean? Had the fellow come there to make a disturbance? If so, thought Hesketh, with satisfaction, he would no doubt, and very properly, be roughly handled.

Lord Chillingford, the chairman, was on his feet, made the usual stammering speech of the ordinary country gentleman, and was followed by one of the great men from London, who warmed up the audience and prepared the way for the candidate. At this moment, Hesketh Carton saw Mr. Granger come on the platform, and, with a friendly smile, he beckoned him to a seat in front which had been modestly left vacant.

Mr. Granger was passing to it, with a murmured apology for being late, when his eyes fell on a gentleman in the third row. He started, stared, and half-unconsciously rose from his seat, as if forgetting the place and the rest of the audience, and approached the edge of the platform. Before he could recover from his astonishment, it had been noticed by those around him, and many eyes were focused on the young man at whom the old lawyer was staring.

Suddenly some one—it was Lady Chillingford—murmured a name; it was "Sir Wilfrid Carton." It was caught up and ran around the platform, some of the occupants of which rose and stared with intense curiosity and interest, which seemed to be contagious, for the audience in the back of the hall began to look in the same direction and to murmur the name. The incident had now become so conspicuous that Mr. Granger was compelled, so to speak, to make some movement; so he came down the front steps of the platform and, going straight up to Jack—for it was he, and we will let him bear his old name—held out his hand, said, with a voice that was a little unsteady:

"How do you do, Sir Wilfrid? I need not say that I am rejoiced to see you!"

Now, Jack had followed Clytie and Mollie by a later train, because he did not wish to appear in public at first, in his proper character, as their fellow traveler; but, on the other hand, he did not wish it to be thought that he had skulked into the town; so Clytie and he, both ignorant of Hesketh Carton's murderous designs, had thought it a good thing for him to attend the meeting. If he were recognized—well, the excitement which would be caused by his appearance would be swallowed up by the larger one of the election, and Jack would get over the fuss attending his unexpected return more easily than he would otherwise have done. That Mr. Granger should catch sight of him, and publicly recognize him, of course did not come within their calculation.



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Jack rose and shook Mr. Granger's hand, whispering: "For goodness' sake, don't let's make a scene!" He made room for Mr. Granger beside him, hoping that the recognition would pass, if not unnoticed—it was too late for that—but without the fuss which Jack hated and dreaded.

But the audience, already strung up, caught at his name, and, rising to its feet en masse, shouted and cheered him.

It was impossible for the chairman to ignore the incident, and Lord Chillingford rose and said:

"Ladies and gentlemen, I am delighted to find that we have in our midst the son of our old and valued friend, Sir William Carton. We have all deplored his absence, and I am sure you will permit me, in your name, to accord him a hearty welcome, and to invite him to come upon the platform here and support his cousin, Mr. Hesketh Carton."

The audience applauded vociferously and shouted:

"Go up to the platform, Sir Wilfrid! Welcome back to Bramley! Go up where we can see 'ee."

(To be continued.)

What Did He Mean?

The minister had eaten a very good dinner and was getting ready to leave for a long time. He happened to glance at the eighteen-year-old daughter.

"Well, well," he laughed. "I suppose that pretty soon I'll be coming back to marry this young woman to one of the interesting young men of the congregation."

The irrepressible eight-year-old son spoke up:

"Oh, no, you won't," he offered. "Mary is going to be an old bachelor."

The family laugh told him that he had used the wrong word. So straightaway he started to make it right.

"I mean an old witch," he asserted more positively than before.

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WHAT FACTORS INFLUENCE SEED YIELDS IN ROOTS?

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One of the more important subjects in connection with root seed growing which have been investigated is the question of under what conditions the heaviest possible seed yields may be expected. This question, of course, of particular interest, as the size of the seed yields will largely determine the profit from seed growing.

In the first place, it is necessary that the roots to be used for seed raising are absolutely sound when planted out. Our experience is that planting of roots which show signs of disease or rot, especially at the crown, leads to most disappointing results. Such roots may linger along for some time, but sooner or later they die off, with the result, of course, that the seed field becomes patchy and consequently gives a comparatively low yield per acre.

In the second place, the seed roots should be planted as early as possible in the spring. The earlier they are set out the heavier are the seed yields which may be expected. This applies

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In the third place it is absolutely necessary that the land is in good tilth and in a high state of fertility. Several experiments conducted the last few years have most decidedly shown that the land must be in the best shape if good seed crops are to be expected. An experiment carried out at Ottawa in 1915 gave results to the effect that an application of 20 tons of barnyard manure to the acre, or of a commercial fertilizer, composed of 500 pounds of superphosphate, 200 pounds of nitrate of soda, and 200 pounds of muriate of potash, increased the seed yield of mangels with almost 50 per cent. Experiments carried out later have not only substantiated this result, but also shown that a still greater increase in the yield may be realized if the land is given both manure and artificial fertilizers in liberal quantities.

Sound roots, early planting and rich land are the main factors which determine the size of the yields. It should be added, though, that the yields are also influenced, to a not unimportant degree, by the supply of farm labor that may be available and by the size of the seed fields. Profitable root seed growing requires plentiful labor at certain periods and under present conditions, the writer would say that to a farmer who has not had years of experience in root seed growing one or two acres may prove more remunerative than a large acreage, because with a small acreage, the yield is apt to be much greater per acre than if the acreage is so large that it cannot be handled conveniently.—M. O. Malte, Dominion Agrostologist.

LOOKING FOR HIM.

"Where's that infernal proofreader?" shouted an irate man with blood in each eye. "He certainly would be right hard to find now," said the editor uneasily. "What's he done this time?" "In that advertisement for my valveless motor he turned the second v into a u!"

A Costly Shot.

A druggist fired a shotgun at a burglar who entered his store, putting the intruder to flight, and thus saving about \$175 in his cash drawer, but smashing with the shot a \$250 showcase and \$250 worth of bottles.

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A steel ladle seven inches long, supposed to have been used by Indians in melting lead for bullets many years ago, was found imbedded in the heart of a red oak tree sawed up for firewood at South Altoona, Pa. Rings on the tree indicate it was more than one hundred years old. The ladle, made of the finest charcoal steel, is believed to have been driven into the tree when it was a sapling.

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