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through Hermine could he strike at his enemy.

But though her he could not strike. He had come to see that all his warped and wretched schemes had been the distortion of a love which should have been protective. He abandoned the effort, wrapped himself up in his business and tried to forget.

De Betincourt died, and almost at once the engagement was made public. Hermine had refused to leave her father while he lived, but there was no obstacle now. Jean saw them sometimes, driving together; he looked at Hermine's face, but did not see much happiness there.

While he had sought the fulfilment of his aims they had been baffled. Now, without seeking, he found happiness. It was on the night of the New Year Mass in the Basilica. Coming out, he saw her seated alone in Dussault's carriage. She was evidently waiting for him; as Jean would have passed she beckoned to him.

"Jean Robichaud, forgive me!" she said in a low voice.

"Yes, Mademoiselle Hermine, a thousand times," he answered.

"I have been unhappy, Jean, and I do not know where to turn. All the old life seems to have ebbed away and left me, and I do not know what to do."

"Louis," he began to falter.

"Of all my friends of old," she said, "whom I treated fairly, there is not one to whom I can go. And you, whom I treated wretchedly, are the only one to whom I want to turn for counsel. I am miserable, Jean Robichaud. We do not love each other."

Jean was a big merchant, but he had remained simple. "But then, Mademoiselle Hermine—" he began.

"Five years ago he asked me to marry him, and I refused. Then came my father's ruin. Louis went to him, without my knowledge, and told him that he would support both him and me, until my father died, in return for my hand. My father's life seemed good for only a few months. He consented, for my sake, because the thought of destitution was unbearable to him. For five years Louis Dussault paid out the money, and I knew nothing of it until my father lay on his death-bed.

"Then, knowing that I had been sold to make my father's last years comfortable, I did not refuse to pay the price. I could bear that, Jean; but I could not bear it when I knew that Louis loves me no longer and yet is too proud to let me know. What shall I do?"

"Mademoiselle Hermine, I would tell him," said Jean. "I will tell him myself. It is not right that you two—you two—"

She placed her finger on her lips, and Jean saw Louis coming toward the carriage. And, clumsily, Jean withdrew.

After that he still saw them together, and knew that his advice had not been taken. But a load had been lifted from him, and he knew that, even if she married Louis, her confidence would be his memory.

THERE came the smallpox year, the last of those visitations, and nearly the worst. Each day there were fresh victims stricken, new crape fluttered from doors; the pest spread through the city, mounting up from the fetid regions by the St. Charles, until it gripped Upper Town and ran from street to street and house to house.

In the pest-house, in what was then an isolated region of Quebec, a few volunteer nurses fought the scourge and tended the victims. Hermine's marriage had been announced already when the news came that she had volunteered.

After that Jean could learn nothing. The pest-house was quarantined by sentries. Sometimes, pacing the street, he looked from far off into the lit windows, and tried to discover her, but he never succeeded. He only knew, from the daily death-lists, which he perused each day with terror, that she had not died.

As the disease lay heavier upon the city, many of those who had escaped the scourge gave themselves up to pleasure. Often Jean would encounter Louis Dussault, in the course of his nightly walks, driving his pacer back from some country roadhouse, and never alone. They talked of him in the places that Jean frequented and shook their heads. He had got into a fast set, was spoiling his opportunities; but they did not even speak with pity of Hermine de Betincourt; it was as if she was already dead.

Then came the abatement of the plague, and Jean learned that she was at her home, that she had been stricken but had recovered. And they told him that, since her return, not even her maid had seen her face; nor, had one seen it, would he have recognized her.

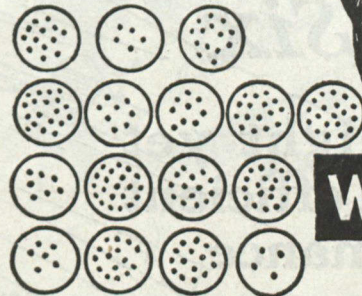
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