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"But you are going to be married!"

"Perhaps."

"Then my congratulations—"

"Oh, how stupid you are!" she said, setting up from her low chair and standing before him—so close that she touched him with her dress, with her arm, with her filmy little handkerchief, as she spoke. "Do listen to the news that I have to tell you, and don't make all these silly guesses before hand. First and foremost, will you forgive me for what I did about Molly, if I can prove to you that I was acting in your interest all along, and have been justified in the event."

"Certainly," he said, and, yielding to temptation, he took the white hand which grasped the handkerchief into his own. "I'll forgive you, too, without hearing your excuses."

"No, I don't want you to do that."

She let her hand stay in his; her breath came and went a little more quickly than usual. "You may have heard an old story about an uncle of mine who made an enormous fortune in America many years ago. There was a lawsuit about his money; it has been going on for some time, and none of us thought that we should ever benefit by what he left. We have gained the case."

"I saw that in the papers. Also, that the costs of the proceedings had swallowed up nearly all the fortune."

"Nearly—not quite. Some land was left. Well, on this very piece of land our agents have 'struck it,' as they call it; there's petroleum flowing night and day, I believe, and producing piles of money, all for my brother, my sister and me. The old man's will provided that we should share and share alike, you know. I suppose that I myself shall soon be a millionaire, if there is such a thing as that."

"What do you think of that, Master Jack? Oh, Jack, I'm so glad!"

She stretched out both her hands to him. There was the loveliest look of joy and tenderness in her eyes. Hanington held her hands, but made no other sign. He was growing white about the lips.

"Do you see, Jack?" she went on. "I was hoping that this would come true; and I did not want you to throw yourself away on a child like Molly."

Moncrieff for the first time looked at her. "Did we not always say that when either of us was rich we would share with the other? That is what I meant, Jack, because you know you always said that you could not love me, and that if only I were not poor you would be happy with me as your wife. It is not exactly the right thing for me to say this, is it, dear? But things are so upside down, and so very like a fairy tale, that I feel as if I had the right to reverse our respective roles—and make you the proposal!" But in spite of her brave words, she blushed very deeply as she spoke.

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The Toronto World commented on the evidence given by Clara Ford during her trial yesterday in a way unfavorable to the prisoner, and in consequence Mr. E. F. B. Johnston moved before the court that the writer be committed for contempt. Mr. Johnston claimed that the article was "highly improper, unfair and malicious."

Chancellor Boyd said that if the newspapers interfered with the liberties of the subject it was a matter to be dealt with by the Attorney-General.

The defense wanted the Crown to go on and prosecute the newspaper, as they (the defense) had not the means. Finally order was made, returnable on Monday or Tuesday, to commit the writer.

The trial ended at 10 o'clock last night. Mr. Johnston, the prisoner's counsel, made a strong plea to the jury on behalf of his client, his address occupying nearly two and a half hours.

Owing to absence of Mr. B. B. Osler, on account of Mrs. Osler's death, the duty of addressing the jury devolved upon County Crown Attorney Curry. His address was a remarkably able presentation of the facts.

Chancellor Boyd then charged the jury for 35 minutes. In concluding his remarks the judge advised the jury that if they found the prisoner guilty it was advisable that they should find also whether they were disposed to find her guilty on the evidence outside of the confession which had been admitted. This might assist the court in arriving at a conclusion in the case.

The jury retired, and after being out two hours returned with a verdict that Clara Ford is "not guilty" of the murder of Frank Westwood.

The prisoner was at once discharged from custody.

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Captain Adams was at one time commissioner of the army for Canada and the continent for the whole organization. He resigned from that position, and after three years' absence returned to the army to take his present position.

Captain Mackie, of Yorkville, has resigned, and it is said that the whole staff are contemplating the same action as they are strong sympathizers of Adams and De Barritt.

OIL PRICES COMING DOWN.

Pittsburg, Pa., May 5.—The Standard Oil Company continues to reduce the price for oil, and it is doubtful where the reduction will stop.

MRS. PARNELL'S POSSIBLE ASSAILANT.

Lambertville, N. J., May 5.—Constable Bennett, of New Hope, Pa., has arrested a young man on suspicion of being the man who assaulted Mrs. Parnell.

VICTORY FOR THE SALVATION ARMY.

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