THE YOUNG PHYSICIAN.

BY J. E. KENNEDY, M.D.

"I might as well give up the struggle. It's quite a temptation when one understands just how much—no pain, only a dull stupor, and then—death! It's a strong temptation, when living is so hard and disappointment so bitter. Ah, heaven! How much I hoped for! And here I am, six months after my graduation, without a dollar, without a patient, without a hope; my rent for this room due to-morrow, and not a dime with which to meet it, nor a prospect for earning one! Just such straits have made many an honest man a thief, a ruffian, a murderer—or a suicide! And I wonder what Miss Gordon would think now of the pitiable wretch who has had the audacity in all his wretchedness to love her! Love! I to love! I, with starvation before me, or—this!" The young man lifted a small bottle of light powder and held it between him and the flaring, dimness of the poor light; a slight curl came to his fine lip as he tossed it again on the table.

"Even Cataline, in all his wretchedness, when his plans had failed and his hopes had left him, called it "the coward's cure," he said, scornfully, "and I think I can be as great as Cataline in this; let the power that gave recall my life, I will not lift my own hand against it."

He paced back and forth in the small, bare room. On the door below a card informed the public that here could be found Carl Blau, physician and surgeon; and while Carl Blau waited for the public to claim his skill, the public passed by and employed better known and older men. The hour was late; the fine form of our young physician showed graceful and athletic as he paced the narrow limits of his room; his blond head was bent, his arms crossed on his bosom. He was thinking of his German home, his German friends, the many fair hopes that had lured him across the ocean to seek fame and fortune in a strange land, among strangers; and he was also thinking of a woman's proud, beautiful face, which had charmed him strangely a month before; seen by him only as it passed him on the street; seen by him often since, and now impressed upon his heart, unknown to the fair daughter of wealth and luxury, whose name he had discovered to be Miss Gordon. Are there many women who, like this fair aristocrat, win hearts to love them as they ride by, careless, in their carriages? Miss Gordon was an heiress and a belle; but no one of her admirers gave her the utter devotion, the almost idolatry which was given her by this young German physician whose face she had never even looked on.

"The irony of it!" Carl thought bitterly; and then his musings were broken by a rapid tattoo on his door. Composing his features, he went and opened it.

"My friend," he said in his usual musical voice, to which clung a slight foreign accent, "is there need of so much waste of energy? Pray enter, if it is I you want, I am most happy to place myself at your service."

A servant in livery entered, and spoke in a hurried, excited way.

"I could not get Dr. Gray, and you are the nearest; can you come with me at once—this moment?"

Carl simply took his hat from where it hung, and, placing a small medicine case in his bosom, signified his readiness to go with the man.

"Who is to be my patient?" he asked, as he locked his door and put the key in his pocket. His pulses bounded as he received the answer:

"George Gordon; he has had a fit, sir."

Then he found himself in a luxurious carriage and the man on the box was driving as for life. It scarcely seemed a moment later that he was following a servant along a wide hall on the marble floor of which his steps rang softly; then up a stair-way, where the rich velvet beneath his feet hushed every sound of their fall and then he had entered a dimly-lighted apartment, where a woman, young, beautiful, graceful, bent over a white face, set and rigid, on the pillows of the couch that he approached. As he neared her, the woman turned and he found himself facing one whom he had learned to love—Miss Gordon, the heiress. Her beautiful face was as white as death; her dark eyes were filled with a terrible fear; her delicate lips were tremulous with sorrow.

"You are a physician?"

He bent his head in silence, and gently put her aside while he made an examination of the patient. She watched him without seeming to breathe, so great was her anxiety; when he turned from the couch he again met those great, troubled eyes, but the man was then merged in the physician, his pulses were calm and his eyes untroubled, as they met hers.

"You will save him? He is my father. You will save his life?"

"I will try. I think I can—I know I will do my best; but you will not remain here; you will allow me to send everyone from the room but one servant. I will send you word frequently."

And when daylight came slowly and softly in through the eastern window, he looked up from the face of his patient, which was losing its ashen rigidity, and sent her this message:

"He will live."

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The papers sent forth an account of the severe illness of George Gordon; they told the public that only the skill of the young German physician, Carl Blau, had saved the life of the millionaire; and the press did more for the young man than the card on his door, for it turned the stream of public favor toward his dingy office and filled his time with the care of patients, and his book with aristocratic names; beside, Mr. Gordon had made a friend of him, and invited many to meet the young man in his elegant parlors; the millionaire recognized the nobility in the young physician and allowed no golden wall to stand between them; so Carl became a familiar figure in the elegant mansion, and a pair of dark eyes began to light grandly at his coming, to become dreamy and soft in his absence; and George Gordon saw and did not frown.

"He's a noble fellow and he'll be famous yet," he told his daughter, and his daughter did not answer.

It was a year later, and Carl was now in a roomy office in an aristocratic part of the city. He kept his gig, and his income was promising; yet as he sat chatting with Mr. Gordon in the latter's library he didn't look particularly happy.

"Mr. Gordon," he said, speaking with an effort, "you have surely been as good a friend to me as man ever had, but I am going to say something which will show you how poor a return I make for your friendship—how unworthy I am of it. I can keep silence no longer, for human nature will not let me. I have learned to love your daughter, and I will never cross your threshold again. It is the only manner in which I can atone for my presumption."

"I am not so sure, my young friend," the millionaire said, pleasantly; "there is just a possibility that your prolonged absence might not atone. Now, in case Myra returned your love?" The young man turned pale, then his fine face flushed a dusky red.

"Sir," he stammered, but could say no more.

"I don't know anything about it," Mr. Gordon went on, placidly; "but if she has, pray why should you be less to us than heretofore? Why should you not be more?"

"I am but a poor physician, Mr. Gordon. You are—"

"A man like yourself," the gentleman broke in pleasantly. "A man whose life you have saved, my dear Carl. Now, no nonsense; I never intended my daughter to marry a bank account. I have old-fashioned ideas of marriages. I am even old-fashioned enough to think that it should follow love; so, if my child loves you, I only say this to you: Be very tender to her, cherish her youth, protect her life from sorrow, be true to her in thought and deed; and now I am going to send her here that you may plead your cause in your own way."

Carl could not say a work. He wrung the hand of his generous friend, who then left the library; but he had regained his powers of speech before the door again opened, and Miss Gordon entered. I said he had. I only surmise this, however, because half an hour later, when Mr. Gordon returned to the library he disturbed a very love-like tableau.

"Well, Carl?" he asked pleasantly, and there was a thrilling happiness in the voice that answered him.

"My life is now complete, sir. How can I show my gratitude?"

"By being a dutiful son to me," laughed Mr. Gordon.

—Don't hawk, hawk, blow, spit, and disgust everybody with your offensive breath, but use Dr. Sage's Catarrh Remedy and end it.

A Farmer's Philosophy.

Philosophy is a good thing for a man to have in the family. An old farmer had a fine field of potatoes and one night a thief went through the patch for about half there was in it, and in the morning his wife met him as he came out to breakfast.

"Husband," she said, "somebody stole half your fine potatoes last night."

"Is that so?" he replied, quietly.

"Just go out and see for yourself."

"Oh, no, my dear; there's no use, I guess. If they're gone, they're gone, but it was right clever in him to dig them himself, and not waited until I had done it, aint it?"

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G. T. R., East	6.00	6.30	9.30	10.45
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G. W. R	11.30	9.30	10.30	7.20
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N. & N.W	6.30	4.00	10.30	8.30
G. T. & B.	6.00	4.00	11.00	8.50
Midland	6.00	3.00	12.00	9.15
C. V. R.	6.00	3.45	9.50	5.50
U. S. N. Y.	6.00	2.45	9.00	1.10
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" " Wednesday		9.3		
" " Thursday		2.30		

TORONTO RAILWAY TIME TABLE.

Departure and Arrival of trains from and at Union Station.

GRAND TRUNK RAILWAY.

Departures, Main Line East.

7.15 a. m.—Mixed for Belleville.
8.30 a. m.—Fast express for Kingston, Ottawa, Montreal Quebec, Portland, Boston, etc.
1 p.m.—Mixed for Kingston and intermediate stations.
5.30 p.m.—Local for Belleville and intermediate stations.
8.00 p.m.—Express for main points, Ottawa Montreal, etc., runs daily.

Arrivals, Main Line East.

9.18 a.m.—Express from Montreal Ottawa and main local points.
10.18 a.m.—Local from Belleville.
6.48 p.m.—Mixed from all points east.
10.35 p.m.—Express from Boston, Quebec, Portland, Montreal, Ottawa, etc.

Departures, Main Line West.

7.55 a.m.—Local for all points west to Detroit.
1 p.m.—Express for Port Huron, Detroit, Chicago and all western points.
4.00 p.m.—For Stratford and London.
6.25 p.m.—Mixed for Stratford and Sarnia.
11.15 p.m.—Express for Sarnia and western points; sleeping car for Detroit.

Arrivals, Main Line West.

8.55 a.m.—Mixed from Sarnia and intermediate points.
8.10 a.m.—Express from Chicago, Detroit, Port Huron, and all western points.
12.32 p.m.—Local from London, Goderich, etc.
7.10 p.m.—Express from all points west, Chicago, Detroit, etc.
11.15 p.m.—Local from London Stratford, etc.

Departures, Great Western Division.

7. a.m.—For Niagara Falls, Buffalo and local stations between Niagara Falls and Windsor.
9.25 a.m.—For Detroit, St. Louis and points in the southwest.
12.20 p.m.—For Detroit, Chicago and the west and all points east from Hamilton; runs daily.
3.55 p.m.—For Niagara Falls, Buffalo, New York, Boston and local stations between Hamilton and London, and Brantford, St. Thomas, etc.
6.30 p.m.—Local stations between Toronto and Niagara Falls.
11 p.m.—For Niagara Falls, Buffalo, New York, Boston and all points east and west of Hamilton.

Arrivals, Great Western Division.

8.25 a.m.—Express from Chicago, Detroit, Hamilton, etc.
10.15 a.m.—Express from London, Catharines, Hamilton, etc.
1.45 p.m.—Express from New York, Boston Buffalo and all points east.
4.30 p.m.—Express from New York, Boston Chicago, Detroit, London, etc., runs daily.
7.05 p.m.—Mail from Buffalo, Detroit London, Hamilton and intermediate stations.
7.45 p.m.—Express from Detroit, St. Louis, etc.
11.10 p.m.—Local from London and intermediate stations.

Suburban Trains Great Western Division.

Leave Toronto at 7.35, 10.55 a.m., and 2, 4.20 and 5.30 p.m.

Returning leave Mimico 8.35 and 11.35 a.m., and 2.35, 4.55 and 6.05, calling at Queen's wharf, Parkdale, High park and the Humber, both coin and returning.

Sunday Trains, G. W. Division.

Trains leaving Toronto for Hamilton at 12.20 and arriving from Hamilton at 4.30 p.m., run on Sundays, but do not stop at interme diate stations.

Departures, Midland Division.

9.15 a.m.—Mixed—Peterboro and intermediate stations.
7.35 a.m.—Mail—Sutton, Midland, Orillia, Coboconk, Haliburton, Lindsay, Port Perry, Whitby, Peterboro, Lakefield, Port Hope, Madoc, Belleville, Hastings, Campbellford and intermediate stations.
4.35 p.m.—Mail—Sutton, Midland, Orillia Coboconk, Lindsay, Port Perry, Whitby Peterboro, Port Hope and intermediate stations.
3.15 p.m.—Mixed—Sutton and intermediate stations.

Arrivals, Midland Division.

12.25 p.m.—Express. 10.15 a.m.—Mixed from Sutton and intermediate stations. 9.20 p.m.—Mail. 5.05 p.m.—Mixed from Peterboro.

CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY.

Departures Credit Valley Section.

8.10 a.m.—St. Louis express, for principal stations on main line and branches, and for Detroit, Toledo, St. Louis and Kansas city.
1.25 p.m.—Pacific express, for Galt, Woodstock, Ingersoll, St. Thomas, Detroit, Chicago, and all points west and north west.
4.10 p.m.—Local express for all points on main line, Orangeville and Elora branches.
6 a.m.—Mixed for all stations on main line.

Arrivals, Credit Valley Section.

8.45 a.m.—Express from all stations on main line and branches.
5.35 p.m.—Atlantic express from Chicago and all points west and stations on main line.
8.10 p.m.—Montreal express from all stations on main line and branches.
10.55 a.m.—Mixed from St. Thomas.

Departures, Toronto, Grey and Bruce Section.

7.20 a.m.—Mail for Orangeville, Owen Sound, Teeswater and all intermediate stations.
4.40 p.m.—Express for Orangeville, Owen Sound and Teeswater.
8.15 a.m.—Mixed from Toronto Junction.

Arrivals, Toronto, Grey and Bruce Section.

10.45 a.m.—Express from Owen Sound and Teeswater.
8.30 p.m.—Mail from Owen Sound and Teeswater.
4.45 p.m.—Mixed arrives at Toronto Junction

Departures, Ontario and Quebec Section.

8.25 a.m.—Limited express for Peterboro, Norwood, Perth, Smith's Falls, Ottawa, Montreal, and intermediate points.
3.35 p.m.—Mixed for Peterboro, Norwood and all intermediate stations.
7.55 p.m.—Montreal express for Peterboro, Norwood, Perth, Smith's Falls, Ottawa, Montreal, Quebec and all points east.

Arrivals, Ontario and Quebec Section.

8.30 a.m.—St. Louis express from Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Brockville, Peterboro, and intermediate points.
11.25 p.m.—Mixed from Peterboro, Norwood and intermediate points.
9.55 p.m.—Toronto express from Quebec, Montreal, Ottawa, Brockville, Peterboro and intermediate points.

NORTHERN RAILWAY

Trains depart from and arrive at City hall station, stopping at Union and Brock street stations.

Departures.

7.55 a.m.—Mail for Muskoka wharf, Orillia, Meaford, Penetang and intermediate stations.
11.45 a.m.—Accommodation for Barrie, Gravenhurst, Meaford and intermediate stations.
5.05 p.m.—Express for Collingwood, Penetang, Orillia and Barrie.

Arrivals.

10.05 a.m.—Express from Collingwood, Orillia, Barrie and intermediate points.
2 p.m.—Accommodation from Meaford Collingwood, Penetang, Muskoka wharf Orillia, Barrie and intermediate points.
8.45 p.m.—Mail from Penetang, Gravenhurst, Orillia, Barrie and intermediate stations.

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