

HIS LORDSHIP'S ROMANCE

When once the old lord had recovered from the first effect of seeing her, he could never rest out of her sight. He from the first effect of seeing her, he atone for his indifference and neglect. He lavished jewels and money upon her; and when he made his curious visit, so some people thought a just one, he secretly hoped that his beautiful niece would be Lady Lynne.

"She is so dazzling, so new, so piquant, so unlike other girls," he thought, "Philip will be glad to fall in love with her, and then my darling will be mistress of Lynneville."

Inez, on her part, did not evince any great affection either for her father or sister. Her heart was sore from her long neglect; she could not forgive him once that for many a long year she had been kept away from her rightful home, deprived of her share in the grandeur and magnificence of the Lynnes. She had not even been known by her rightful name. No one had ever called her Inez Lynne. In her grandmother's house she had always been addressed as the Senorita Monteleone. When did not feel any great affection for the father who had neglected her, or the sister who had taken her place. She was quiet and passive, rarely making any remark, when Lord Lynne caressed her and loaded her with presents; her beautiful, passionate face never lighted up for him as it could light up for one she loved.

When Agatha Lynne grew more accustomed to the presence of her sister, she wondered much why she made no mention of that past life. She never alluded to her home in Lynneville, she never talked of love and lovers, as young girls do; she had no story to tell of sweet words whispered under the shade of the myrtle; no story, no love secrets; and yet she was beautiful as a houri, and only twenty-two.

Agatha had related her life's history; it was not an eventful one. She had had lovers, but none that she cared much for. She liked Philip Lynne best in the world, next to her father. She blushed as she told how Allan Leigh, Sir Harry Leigh's son, had sent her a valentine, and Captain Hope had written some verses to her. All these little scraps, sweet, simple Agatha had confided to her sister; but there was no confidence given in return. Inez listened, with a far-off, dreamy look in her beautiful face, but she said no word of herself. She had nothing to tell in return.

"Did no one ever love you, Inez?" asked her sister, gazing at her in wonder. "You are so beautiful. I should have thought you would have many lovers."

"The fairy prince will come some day," said Inez, half impatiently. "Love and lovers have no great attraction for me."

Then again simple, sweet Agatha wondered. So beautiful, so young, and not even to care about love—never to have had a lover? She could not help thinking that there was something incomprehensible in this mystery. Twenty-two, and never to have had a lover!

It was the morning after Lord Lynne's funeral. No one knew how the sisters had received the news of their father's strange will; but Mr. Gregson had been with them for more than an hour, and then left them with a smile on his face. It was a beautiful, bright June morning; all Nature was gay and animated. A gentle breeze wafted the fragrance of the flowers and the singing of the birds; there was no cloud in the bright blue sky. The chestnut trees were all in bloom; from over the meadows there came a perfume of hawthorn and fresh-mown hay; the tall trees in the park seemed thrilling with new life. It was a morning that made every heart rejoice; it seemed impossible to think of sorrow, or sadness, or death.

And Agatha Lynne sat in the little room known as Lady Lynne's boudoir. It was a charming room, and the long French windows opened on to the garden. There was a glimpse of landscape that looked like a vista of fairyland; the tall, stately cedar, the green lawn, and the dark woods beyond. White and red roses grew at the window, and filled the room with their exquisite fragrance.

Agatha had never used the apartment; but before Inez had been in the house a week, Lord Lynne had it most sumptuously furnished and fitted up for her use. It was a very nest of luxury; it might have been expected that the occupant of such a room would be young and beautiful; it was only meant for such. The soft, thick, white carpet whereupon the roses lay so life-like and real, that it seemed as though they had just been dropped there; the delicate rose silk hangings, the few rare pictures, a marble Flora holding a vase of glowing crimson flowers, the elegant books, the pretty lounging chairs—all were for the young and beautiful, to whom luxury seems by right to belong.

They were a charming picture, the beautiful Andalusian girl and her sweet English sister. Miss Lynne had summoned Agatha to a council of war, and had decided to hold it during breakfast, so as to save time. The pure sunbeams did not fall upon any prettier scenes—the fresh, fair faces of the sisters, the delicate china, the blooming flowers; and they lingered over the table, for they had much to say.

"What is this wonderful cousin of yours like?" asked Inez, but impetuously. "Tell me something about him. Is he short or tall—wicked or good—clever or stupid?"

"Oh, no!" cried Agatha, almost breathless from surprise at the catalogue.

"No—what?" said her sister. "Not stupid, do you mean? I am glad of it, for really you must excuse me for saying it; I do think a certain kind of stupidity characterizes you old English. I hope he has plenty of faults. I cannot endure an insipidly perfect man."

"Philip is not insipid," said her little sister, somewhat indignantly. "Papa always said that he would make a great statesman."

"What is he like, Agatha. Describe him to me," said Inez.

"I do not know," replied Agatha. "He is tall, like papa. I never thought whether he was handsome or not. He has large dark blue eyes—they are clear and full of truth; I always used to say I could read his thoughts in them. His hair is like mine—a kind of golden brown."

"Never mind his hair and eyes," interrupted Inez. "What is his face like? Tell me, if you can."

Agatha looked half perplexed, then her face brightened.

"Do you remember," she said, "that

What SCIENTISTS Say Against Local Option:--

Professor A. B. MacCallum, Lecturer in Physiology to The University of Toronto:

"The results of careful experiments show that alcohol, taken in diluted form in small doses is oxidized within the body and so supplies energy like the common articles of food; and that it is incorrect to designate it as a poison."

Professor P. H. Pye-Smith, Lecturer in Gray's Hospital Medical School, London:

"Malt liquor for a large number of people (perhaps for most adults), does more good than harm when taken with meals. Temperance is much better than abstinence."

Professor Lafayette B. Mendel, Yale University, New Haven:

"Man is by nature a temperate animal, and it is only by distinguishing between temperance and intemperance (i. e., use and abuse) that the evils of alcoholism can be combated. Present methods fail in this respect."

Professor T. J. Clouston, Lecturer in The University of Scotland, Edinburgh:

"Alcohol is a food, and may in a diluted form (as in beer) be a very valuable adjunct to ordinary food, by exciting appetite, improving digestion, and by stimulating certain nutritive processes, e. g., the laying on of fat."

Prof. (of Chemistry) W. O. Atwater, Wesleyan University.

Prof. (of Pathology) H. P. Bowditch, Harvard University.

Prof. (of Pathology) R. H. Chittenden, Yale University.

Dr. Wm. H. Welch (of Pathology), Johns Hopkins University.

Local Option does not promote temperance---it does promote the misuse of drink.

"It should not be taught that the drinking of one or two glasses of beer or wine at meals, by a grown-up person, is dangerous; for it is not true."

YORK LOAN.

PHILLIPS' CONVENIENT WAY OF ENTERING ACCOUNTS.

Referee Considers Claims of Advance Shareholders Amounting to \$102,000—Cashier Tells How Loans Were Paid Off.

Toronto, Dec. 15.—The bookkeeping methods of Mr. Joseph Phillips, former manager of the York County Loan and Savings Company, came in for comment at yesterday's session of the winding-up proceedings. The claims before referee Mr. George Kappel were those of holders of company shares who had borrowed money on their stock and amount to \$102,000.

Mr. Hammond stated that there were three methods of paying these loans: to pay all in a lump sum, to suspend the stock and apply stock payments on the loan, or to make additional payments with the regular instalments paid on the stock. The witness stated, however, that in the last case extra payments were not applied on the loan, but were applied as stock payments unless the subscriber requested otherwise, and in the second instance suspension was made only at the request of the stockholder, otherwise the payments being applied on additional stock. This method of bookkeeping had been adopted "as convenient."

This raises the question whether, under the law, subsequent instalments paid after the making of a loan reduced the subscriber's indebtedness or increased his stock holdings.

TO DEVELOP RAILWAYS.

Big English Company Said to be Forming.

Montreal, Dec. 12.—Mr. Rodolphe Forget is responsible for the statement that a big English concern is prepared to spend \$10,000,000 in developing Canada's electrical railways.

These will include improvement and development of water powers in Ontario and Quebec, and already one of the engineers employed by the syndicate has been in Canada for two months making a careful inspection on which he will, it is understood, construct electrical railways in the rural districts of the Province, and especially on the Island of Montreal.

While he was not in a position to go into details, Mr. Forget said it was sufficient to state that the syndicate was prepared to spend millions of dollars in this country, provided it received proper encouragement from our people.

"It will mean," said Mr. Forget, "a big thing for the Province of Ontario and Quebec, and I may tell you that I received a cable on Tuesday informing me that one of the wealthiest members of the syndicate is now on his way to Canada in order to look more closely into the circumstances here."

INDIAN WILL NOT BE HANGED.

Member of Fiddler Tribe to Escape Gallops for Strangling Squaw.

Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 12.—Joseph Fiddler will not hang. Such is the decision of the Dominion Government, in view of which reached the city today. The Indian had been tried for the murder of an insane girl, a member of the same tribe, near the shores of Hudson Bay.

He was sentenced to death by Commissioner Perry, of the Northwest Mounted Police, who with special powers, presided as judge at the time. The death sentence was to have been carried out on the morning of January 7 at Norway House.

WILD DOGS SHOT.

Part of East Zorra Has Been Devastated by Them.

Woodstock, Dec. 12.—Part of East Zorra, the district surrounding Gospie, has for some months been troubled by a fierce pack of dogs, which worried sheep and lambs, and even young cattle, and killed in large numbers of them. Yesterday a big collie female was shot in its lair, in a hollow log, with its two cubs, by Thomas Redhead, and it is believed that this does away with the leader of the pack. The dogs put up a fierce fight, and it was only after much trouble that they were shot. They fought like wolves.

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Dainty Collars in Fancy Box, 50c, 75c, 98c.

Latest novelties in Neckwear, dainty Chiffon and Lace Collars, trimmed with gold, medallions, buckles, beads, etc., with or without jabot, regular 75c, \$1, \$1.50, on sale Saturday 50c, 75c, 98c, put up in artistic boxes.

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Embroidered Swiss and Linen Handkerchiefs 25c ea.

Beautiful Embroidered Handkerchiefs, in scolloped edge and hemstitched, in Swiss, also Linen Handkerchiefs, lace trimmed, regular 35c each, put up one in box with card, for... 25c

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