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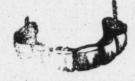
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orch. As her granddaughter rose ediently, but with a little impatient sigh, her companion, Austin Wills, whistled softly, then said:

"Jessamine! What a wax Madam Brookmere must be in! You're always beam and Fairy and Bright Eyes

when she's in a good humor."
"That is to say when the Beveridge
thing is around," Jessamine said, with
a shrug. "She is in a wax—she always when you come-and she feels in her bones when you are coming." "H-m-m! I ought to be flattered, but I'm not the least bit," Austin answer-

ed, also rising and catching Jessamine's hand. She looked aghast, but he kept sturdily at her side until they were facing Jessamine's dragon. Then he said, with his best flourish: "Oh, Madam Brookmere, I have brought this young person to tell you why she can't possibly come in. She is to go rowing with me. We will be back by late tea time. The afternoon is too heavenly to be wasted on land."

"Jessamine, go upstairs and fetch my embroidery. Be sure you don't for-get my glasses," madam said, as though the young man had not spoken. Jessamine made to obey, but Wills held her back. He lifted the elder lady, turned and walked off, saying over his shoulder: "Send the Bridget, you have broken a saying over his shoulder: "Send the much china this month as your maid up, madam. It's bad luck to turn wages amount to. Now, how can back. I can't allow Miss Jessamine

mine cried as they hurried away.
Madam had been too paralyzed by
Wills' audacity to say a word. Austin
drew Jessamine's hand farther over
his arm and smiled down at her, saying: "I hope it will be 'Out of my house, ingrate? Then, you see, you will have to come to my house wheth-

"Mercy, you do take a lot on yourself!" Jessamine said, pulling away her hand, her eyes dancing wickedly. "I begin to fear, Mr. Wills, that you have

taken our little affair seriously"—
"Isn't it to be taken seriously? Really you lift a weight off my conscience," Wills interrupted in her own tone; then, after a chuckle: "Jess, I must lecture you-point out the sinful folly of your course. Here you might be, by taking pains and showing yourself properly devout and submissive, Mrs. Beveridge— possibly Mrs. Bishop Beveridge—I really believe the gentleman has it in him to go high ecclesiastically, he's so suave and silken, just the sort to worm himself into the minds of rich churchmen, not to mention their check books. Yet you are passing him up-passing up the chance of a lifetime-for the

sake of"-"A very commonplace sinner," Jessa-

Wills gave her a look of pained sur-rise. "I was going to say 'for the sake of having your own willful way,"

It was early afternoon, and the long, and shade, mirrored perfectly the summer world either side. Jessamine hung over the boat side, staring at her own image. Austin watched her with happy eyes, but after a little he drew her upright, saying softly: "Vanity, thy name is Jessamine. I can't have another case of Narcissus and his image upon my conscience."

"Really! Have you a conscience?" Jessamine retorted.

"Pirates even have consceinces-about some things," Austin answered, shipping his oars and letting the boat drift toward the other bank. "For example, it goes against their consciences to let treasure manifestly within reach go to some other fellow. That other pirate, Beveridge, shan't have the treas-

"What is the treasure of Brookmere?" Jessamine asked demurely. "How much is it worth? And how are you going to save it from clerical clutches?"

"Let me see. I believe the Brook-

mere rating is about three millions," Austin answered reflectively, but with a twinkle of the eye, "handy millions at that," he went on, "all in gilt edged securities. If you were more than a baby, Jess, you would see a little beyond the end of your nose. Bishop-to-be Beveridge did want you-in fact, he still wants you, being a mar of taste, for all his sins."

"Thanks!" Jessamine interrupted. Wills shook his head at her. "He wanted you rather badly, but not so badly as he wanted the Brookmere money. And that he means to have—in spite of our teeth. Madam is

only sixty and young for her years"-"You can't mean he is trying to marry her?" Jessamine cried, aghast. Wills nodded. "That's his present laudable aim. Therefore he would like nothing better than to have us openly defy madam. Our elopement would be

a trump card for him. Now, although we are not mercenary, neither are we destitute of common prudence. Three millions, or even one or two, might come in handy a heap of times. More-over, we owe madam a certain duty. We can only discharge it by meeting guile with guile. That means, in plain general way of the turn from your evil way of preferring my company and smile instead upon the bishop to se"—

"I don't understand. How will that help?" Jessamine asked in bewilder-ment.
"He is mighty near committed to

mitted, then do your best to take him away from her. You can do it, never fear. He's human, if he is a preacher,

and no mere man yet born of woman is able to stand against you"—
"Thank you again," Jessamine said, tossing her head. "Oh, I want that clump of cardinal flower," leaning as she spoke toward the shelving shore.
Wills shook his head. "Snakes!" he said laconically, speaking very loud; then, in a low aside: "Here's where we

quarrel, Jess. Insist upon getting out. The hishop to be is coming down the "Oh. Mr. Beveridge," Jessamine called eagerly, "do come and pick some flowers for me. I want to pick them myself, but I find I am a prisoner, with a withering glauce at Wills.

Beveridge ran down to the water's edge. "Won't you let me rescue you?" he cried, helding out his hand. "Jump! I promise you shall get nothing worse than a pair of wet feet by it."

"She needn't have even them," Wills said boorishly. "If you'll agree to see her to the house I'll be glad enough to put her ashore. Not in the humor for walking myself and still less for botan-

was surprised and, if truth must be spoken, not wholly pleased to see Jessamine sauntering home, her hands full of scarlet bloom, with the Rev. Bewly Reveridge at her elbow. Now the minister had been madam's own companion all through the earlier aftern and, though he had not said muchquite too little to make madam aware of her own state of mind-he had look ed unutterably things. She had fou the looking pleasant—she was of the women made to be married, childless, although she had buried three hus-bands, and still possessed of an alert and lively vanity. She liked to see her name at the head of lists of patronesses, especially missionary and rescue bands. Further, flattery was meat her soul loved to feed on. The Rev. Bewly had found that out at about the second minute and acted upon the knowledge. up to many her before the interview ended. Lut then he had not seen Jessamine in this mood. Jessamine upse calculations; she fairly swept him off his feet.

Madam was sadly puzzled through-out the next week. Wills haunted the house as much as ever, though Jessa-mine openly flouted him, at the same time smiling shy propitiation at the bishop to be. He also was in a maze. Jessamine's encouragement was too elusive to warrant giving over his pursuit of madam, yet sufficiently unset-tling to make him at times distrait. Wills glared at him and ostentatiously ignored him. It was that which gave him the strongest hope. Wills must be jealous-madly jealous. If only Beveridge had never begun to cour that old woman! She was in the beginning eager to play fairy godn was sickening to feel that he had disturbed this pious purpose, making the lady feel that she was not too old to inspire grand passion numb

Presently he began to see light. He would have it out with Jessamine—ask r plumply to be Mrs. Beveridge, and, if she said "yes." go to madam for her lessing, along with an apocryphal tale of a distant wooer ready to sue for her hand. He could make it appear he had been finding out her mind toward a fourth marriage. It would go hard with him, but that somewhere he would find a man to make good. Indeed, providentially be already knew the man—a college president, poor and pious, entitled to write half the alphabet after his name in honorary distin tions, with children all safely married, and much in want of a good he he went straight to Jessamine, begging her to sing to him. The music roo was at the very end of the house, thus well apart. There was small chance of interruption. All the rest were busy with games or flirting or walking in the flower garden under a white mo Jessamine went with him, walking high headed and joyous. At the doc of the parlors she waved him forward, running back herself upon some er rand he did not understand. Whatever it was, she did it very quickly. He had hardly found the songs he wanted when she was beside him, smiling at him in the most bewildering fashion. As she reached for the music her hand, a parently by chance, fell lightly upon his. He tried to hold it, snatched it away, turned from him and began to sing very softly. He watched her with burning eyes, his breath coming hard and fast. As she made to rise he put his arms about her and gathered her to his breast, saying hoarsely: "Jessamine, darling, won't you make music for me always! Unless you do my life will be wasted."

"You—you are not in earnest!" Jessa mine said, slipping from his arms and averting her face. "You, who are so great, so wise, so good, need another sort of wife-somebody who can help

you. I—I should be only a burden."

"A blessed burden, one I shall rejoice to carry," Beveridge said, trying
to take her hand. She drew away from him, saying as though in despair: "You -you are playing with me. You really want grandmother"-"Grandmother! Ob, you jealous

darling! How dare you name any-thing so preposterous?" Beveridge said, catching both her hands. "Grandmother is the most estimable of old ladies, but even if I knew she would take me I could not think of marrying her-not for all the money in the

"H-m-m! You've been trying to do
it for a very moderate part of the
money," grandmother said, stepping
through the French window upon Austin Wills' arm. After one look at her the Rev. Bewly Beveridge stepped out through the same window. He knew the treasures of Brookmere were wholly lost to him, no matter how they were

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