

A MISSION FULFILLED

For one moment Geronimo remained hesitating; then, he rose to assist ungraciously enough. It was an unfortunate movement, for it came just too late. Keith had already caught a staple fixed upon the pier-side with one hand and held it fast while with the other he managed his oar, so as to keep the boat straight, and Margherita leaped on shore. The young fisherman's indecision was probably owing as much to a shy grouchiness as to intentional rudeness; but it was so manifest that it roused a rebuke even from Margherita's lips.

"For shame, Geronimo!" she said, as she turned a cold and disapproving glance toward him; while Keith, all his hot-tempered, expressed himself still more strongly.

"Get out of the way, you ill-conditioned loafer!" he exclaimed, "I hate the very sight of your gargoyle face!" He spoke in English; but the meaning of the words was clear enough; and involuntarily he pushed the young fisherman aside with no gentle manner.

In an instant Geronimo's features were transformed. Before, he had worn an expression of gloomy depression; now blackest passion leaped into his eyes, as with a stifled cry of fury, he flung himself upon the Englishman. The arm was raised, and there was a gleam of metal in the air. But the knife had no time to descend; for Keith, by a quick movement, caught it from his grasp, and almost at the same moment Margherita flung herself between them.

"Keep off, Margherita, it's all right," said her husband, coolly, as with one hand he kept a tight hold upon his assailant, and with the other flung the weapon far out to sea.

"So!" he continued, grimly, still grasping the young Italian, and looking him steadily in the face. "So, stabling is your game, is it? You have looked like it for some weeks. This is the second time you have tried to do for me, Mr. Geronimo, and it is once too often. I forgive you last time. This

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time you shall take your deserts." There was no answer. The young fisherman stood before him pale and panting, but defiant. His strength was not equal to that of his antagonist, and he appeared passive. As sometimes happened at this hour of the day, there was no one by to witness the unusual scene.

Margherita's face was full of horror as she gazed at her old playmate. "Did you mean to murder him?" she asked, in a low tone, her eyes upon his.

"Yes," he said, his breath coming in quick, short gasps; "he insulted me!" But his expression changed as he looked at her, and his face softened.

Only for a moment, however; the next it grew harder and darker than ever, as he watched the abhorrence that swept over hers.

"Go!" she said, her eyes blazing with indignation, "you are a fiend—you deserve your fate! May I never see you again, Geronimo, Garro!"

"Now," said Keith, quietly, "come along with me to the prefect."

But, even as he was about to grasp his companion more firmly by the arm, Geronimo's passivity suddenly departed, and with a violent, unexpected wrench, he released himself. In a moment he was off, like an arrow from a bow, a mocking laugh upon his lips, and out of sight upon the upward road almost before either of the two had time to realize that he was gone.

"He is mad," said Margherita.

"He must not well escape," said Keith. "But steps must be taken; one must not leave a wild beast at large upon the island. You go on, Margherita; I will turn aside and call upon the prefect."

"Take care of yourself," she said, anxiously. "Ah, he is a maniac—how can I tell what he may not do?"

"Oh, I am safe enough now; he has had enough of me for the present," he laughed. "Go home to your bimbo, Margherita; don't worry about me."

She went on slowly, sadly; her brief anger already melting into a wondering compassion.

"Ah, Nimo, Nimo!" she sighed, "what can have changed you so—what has put the devil into your heart? You, Nimo, who used to be so good and kind—so tender to your little cignia—and now—ah, Dio! wishing to kill her husband!" She shuddered. "Yes, it must be so; you must be mad. God help you, poor Geronimo!"

CHAPTER XLV.

An Innocent Victim.

"I shall go across and have a smoke with Spencer," Keith said to his wife, a few hours later. "I shall return him his loan—I can do it now. Then," he added, with a smile, "we shall have every weight off our minds."

"Except Geronimo," she replied, half hesitating.

Keith shrugged his shoulders. "I wonder where he is, and whether they will find him? The prefect pretended to be very hot about it. Poor devil! my private opinion is that he is mad. I shouldn't be sorry if he gets away, though the prefect says that is impossible, if the two marines are watched. After all, I don't suppose he would injure one in cold blood. He is only a hot-headed young savage."

"Ah, he is dangerous," said Margherita. "I hope they will find him."

"You vindictive child!" laughed Keith, amused by her earnestness. "Who would have thought that you would have been the one to utter such a sentiment?"

"He is not safe," she repeated, anxiously. "He hates you, Keith."

"Well," he said, carelessly, "it's rather a distinction for me to be regularly hated by anyone, even a half-witted fisherman; I don't remember a similar experience in my life before."

"Let me go with you, Keith."

"Nonsense! What on earth is in your head? You have the child to look after. I will go for the money."

He bent and kissed her laughingly, and then left the room to run upstairs. With a sudden impulse, she opened the low window, and stepped out upon the grass. There was no moon, and the night was very dark. A shudder passed over her, perhaps it was the chill of the evening breeze. She had flung nothing over her shoulders; only a gray Scotch cap of Keith's was upon her head. Her baby was asleep upstairs; she would walk with her husband to Mr. Spencer's. Why did she feel so strange an objection to his going even those few yards alone to-night? She was not often nervous, but his encounter with Geronimo today had shaken her; and a few words dropped by Stefano, who had met her on the way homeward, had not served to modify her fears.

His voyage, and not long returned from his voyage, was he browner and more manly, but not less modest than before. One of the most determined of the rules taught him by his gentlemanly instincts was never to be seen in company with his sister in public, and though he came up at stated intervals, like the rest of his family, he avoided walking with his sister whenever they happened to meet upon the road, and usually passed her merely with the polite salute with which he would have greeted any other lady.

Today, however, Margherita had stopped him, and given him the history of Geronimo's attempt to injure her husband; and he had listened carefully, with an anxious face.

"I have noticed it," he said. "It was always so, more or less; but it has been growing worse since your signor marito returned this last time to Capri. He hates the signor; and Nimo can be as a wild beast where he hates."

"What has my husband ever done that he should hate him?" she demanded, hotly. "He has been kind to everyone here; he has not been proud to anyone of my old friends or relations. How many would you find like him?"

"Not many," said Stefano, warmly. "He is a good man, a true gentleman, sorella mia; he despises no one. We

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all love him, because he has made you happy—all except Geronimo. And he—ah, he is different."

"Why should he be different?" she asked. "He is base, he is mean to seek the life of one who never did him harm!"

"Nay, sorella mia, Geronimo is wild; he is fierce and passionate as a wild beast, but he is not base—he was never so. Only last year, when our mother was ill, he spent the half of his earnings in bringing her dainty things to eat. He will even give away the very shirt upon his back to a neighbor in want—he is ever ready to do a kind action for those who need it. But he is

very sad; he broods; and the Evil One then enters into his mind. Alas! I grieve for him; he will work his own ruin, I fear, sorella mia, some day."

"Why should he be unhappy?" she persisted, her voice unsoftened. "Why does he not marry Teresina, and settle down and be content?"

"Ah, he cannot marry Teresina!" said Stefano, sadly. "Glancing up for a moment into her face half dubiously he went on: 'Years ago, my sister, there were two little children that played together upon the rocky shingle here below. I often watched them both. The boy was three years older than the girl, and he was her protector and her guardian. He could not bear to see her even then, a sharp stone lying in the way of her baby feet, and if some childish treasure became his, it was valueless unless he could share it with his little companion, and worth double if she would accept it all. So they grew up together; and he, at least, never thought but one thought, never felt but one feeling. She was all the world to him, but he—was only a kind cousin, a good-natured playmate to her. Ah, it is often so in life!'"

And Stefano's dark eyes for a moment dimmed, and his voice grew husky, as he continued:

"But he always hoped—he ever believed that it would end as he wished; till one day—it was a terrible day for him—when his eyes were opened, and he found her bound in heart and soul to another. He had to bear it—men and women must bear such things—and Dio lo sa, with some it is but a moment's pang, the remembering of a few days; but with others, as with him, it is for years. They cannot forget, if they would—they cannot feel that it is wicked to be faithful; their hearts are bitter against the other man. Ah, my sister, it would have been better for poor Geronimo had you stayed in England. I fear me he is mad. I do not think—nay, I hope—that the signor Keith will have no harm from him; but I fear now he may harm himself, more likely—"

These words of Stefano's had echoed persistently in Margherita's ears, perhaps all the more persistently because feelings she could not have put into words restrained her from repeating them to her husband; and the sentiment they aroused in her breast was one of anxiety for Keith's safety rather than commiseration for Geronimo. Indignation and annoyance, also, rather than compassion, filled her heart toward the latter. It seemed to her, perhaps unjustly, a monstrous thing that Geronimo should still venture to remember those far-off days—that he should consider himself the victim of an unlucky fate. The three years which had intervened since her departure from her native country were to her, by force of totally changed circumstances and surroundings of life, a far more deep and impassable gulf than they could be to one, the even tenor of whose existence, the current of whose thoughts, had remained unchanged.

Her brother's revelation wounded, angered her; far from raising an excuse for the conduct of the young fisherman, it seemed to her to lower it to the level of a tacit insult both to herself and her husband. She fancied, moreover, that Stefano judged her friend too leniently. Had he seen the murderous light in Geronimo's eyes that afternoon, he would, like her, have dreaded something more determined and dangerous than the temporary ebullition with which he seemed to credit him.

[To be Continued.]

HE LET OUT THE CAT

Lodger Who Helped Landlady Escapes \$81 Rent Bill.

Logansport, Ind., Oct. 20.—That a lodger who uses his own blankets, runs errands for his landlady, and makes his own bed is entitled to compensation for offsetting a portion of the rent.

was established in Justice Reed's court today when T. M. Keyes was given judgment for \$81 to offset a demand made by Mrs. Elizabeth Wild, his landlady, for \$125. The fact that Keyes had attended to putting out the family cat at night and saw that the doors were locked and the clocks would help his case.

The court allowed him 10 cents for 300 errands, 10 cents for each time he made his own bed on 166 mornings when the landlady was otherwise engaged, and admitted the fairness of his charge of 7 cents as nightly rental for the blankets he owned and which he used on his own couch.

The court further held that Mrs. Wild's charge of 10 cents for washing a patch on Keyes' trousers was valid, inasmuch as Keyes, during a period of solitude, availed himself of the Sunday trousers of Mr. Wild. The wear and tear on the trousers of the landlady's husband was adjudged to offset the charge made for the patch on Keyes' own garments.

Keyes claimed that he stayed in bed and did not wear the landlady's trousers, but failed to prove this fact.

Broken-down horses are shipped from English ports to the Continent of Europe, where they are bought and slaughtered for butchers' meat. Boats with miserable, sore-backed, blind, and in many cases, dying horses. Some of them have been certified as unfit for further work underground in the mines, and because they are unused to the upper air and light, they suffer great torture from the exposure. Their miseries when in a rough sea are indescribable. Hay fever is an example of a fashionable thing being universally unbecoming.

People who keep busy saying nothing have been known to accomplish much.

Things are sometimes so bad that they couldn't be better.

CHICAGO CANAL LOWERING LEVELS

United States Declares Protest From Canada Has Come Too Late.

Chicago, Oct. 20.—The International Waterways Commission, composed of three commissioners representing the United States Government, and a like number of representatives of the Government of Canada, which has been in session here, adjourned yesterday and the members returned to their homes. The purpose for which the commission was formed was to endeavor to arrive at an amicable settlement to several questions upon which the two Governments and peoples represented have differed with regard to their respective rights upon the chain of great lakes, and the waterways connecting them. The special object of the session in Chicago was to enable the commission to study, upon the spot, the situation in regard to the Chicago drainage canal. At present the canal is drawing from Lake Michigan about 10,000 cubic feet per second, but the great necessities of the city and the canal require that in the near future this amount be doubled.

The Canadian commissioners are objecting to the increase, but it is hard for the United States representatives upon the commission to understand upon what grounds their Canadian counterparts base their objection. When the legislation authorizing the construction of the canal originally passed the Illinois State Legislature the Canadian Government was cognizant of the intention of the city of Chicago. Hon. John C. Costigan, minister of marine in the Canadian Government at the time, appointed an engineer who investigated the matter and reported that the effect of the construction of the canal would be to materially reduce the level of the water in Lakes Huron and Erie. It was not, however, deemed to be of sufficient importance when the report in question was made to the Canadian Government in 1892, to require any action on their part, and no protests or objections were offered by them to the United States authorities against the proposed canal.

Now that the canal has been in operation for some years the cry has been raised in Canada that the withdrawal of so large a body of water has resulted in lowering the ordinary level of the water in Lake Huron by eight inches and in Lake Erie by six inches. Objection is offered to the deepening and enlarging of the Chicago canal on the ground that it will, by still further lowering the level of the water in the lakes, seriously interfere with navigation, and involve heavy expenditure in deepening the Canadian harbors along the lake and altering the channels. They further contend that the United States is abstracting from the lakes water which belongs to Canada.

The United States contention is that whatever merit there may have been, and they do not admit there was any, in the Canadian contention, had it been raised before the canal was constructed, the Government of Canada is barred by its own laches from raising it now. Having by its inaction in 1892 allowed a vested interest to be created in the waters of the lakes as a feeder to the drainage canal, it is too late, they say, for objections either to the original proposition, or to the necessary enlargement, with its consequent increased draft upon the great lakes for the water necessary to carry the undertaking to its legitimate conclusion.

The Canadian commissioners are not by any means inclined to accept the contention of the United States, and it is expected that a vigorous effort will be made by the Canadian Government, when their report is received, to amend what they regard as an oversight in 1892 by strenuously objecting to the further abstraction of water from Lake Michigan beyond the quantity now taken.

MAN AND HIS DRESS.

Mrs. T. P. O'Connor, a London Lady of Wide Renown, Discusses the Sterner Sex.

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