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And though I knew him knew him well. I laughed to hear each tiny bell That tinkled on his tassled cap,

And fondled him upon my lap.

Oh, folly wise! oh, folly sweet! A thousand times to me repeat, The message that she sends by you; A thousand times it will be new. -Arthur Henry.

MAN OF ACTION.

John Desmond awoke at 3 in the norning and tossed about in his bed. Within his a fierce struggle between the brain and the heart was in progress. He employed every scheme that he was aware of to court or compel sleep without success.

Suddenly the truth dawned upon him, like a flood of soft warm light. He was in love. The love of his life, compared with which all his past loves were mere idle fancies. The battle was over. John Desmond, thirty, lawyer, athlete, man of the world, was conquered.

Being a man of action, Desmond no sooner acknowledged to himself that he really was in love with Kate Evanston than he resolved to marry her at the earliest possible day.

Kate Evanston was seated at the piano in the drawing room of Mrs. Saulsbury's beautiful home, where she was employed as companion to the lady of the house. The rich light of a middle May evening pervaded the place.

Her fingers wer softly bringing back memories of "Erminie" and other Casino delights as her thoughts traveled back over the past.

After a time she arose from inplane and picking up a number of photographs of John Desmond's friends that lay upon the table, seated herself upon a sofa with her back to the door and proceeded to contemplate each of them Desmond returning home early that

evening let himself into his aunt's house very quietly with his latchkey, hoping to catch Kate at the plano in the middle of one of the sweet airs be had grown of late to love. He approached the great drawing

room doors and took a peep through the crevice which separated them. In an instant his heart seemed to cease beating with almost electrical suddenness, for the sight which his maddened brain encountered filled him with rage and fealousy.

With a heart of ice and lead he was about to turn to leave the house as noiselessly as he had entered when the sinking sun shot a ray of light thro the room and revealed something which made the blood course faster through his body than it had ever coursed before. Then he turned away, and, closing the door very softly behind him, descended the front steps of the house and passed down the street

Mrs. Salisbury and Miss Evanston were at their dessert that evening before John appeared. He had left word in the morning that he might be detained until a late hour, and so they had not waited dinner for him.

Mrs. Salisbury noticed that her nephew seemed to be laboring under considerable restraint and bluntly asked him the cause; but the good body's solicitude met only with evasion and she presently gave up all attempts to draw anything from him and retired early to her room, leaving John and Kate together.

No sooner had Mrs. Saulsbury quitted the dining room than Desmond turned to Kate and said: "Miss Evanston, I'm going to ask you

to do me a favor."

Kate looked at him inquisitively. "I want you," he continued, "to accompany me on a bit of a shopping tour, I've got a peculiar mission to execute and I want your help. Will you do it?"

"To be sure. I rhall be most happy, Mr. Desmond," Kate answered, "and if you'll excuse me I'll be prepared in very few minutes."

The streets were dark by the time they left the house for the shopping quarter of the town, and Kate Desmond's arm. They had walked for a few moments in silence when Des mond said: "I want to explain this errand to you

and no doubt you, too, will think it peculiar. As a matter of fact, I've been commissioned to arrange for the wedding of two very dear friends." "Two couples," Kate asked,, quietly.

"Why, no! only one couple; a man and a woman," John answered, somewhat puzzled at the question.

"And was she a very dear friend?" the girl on his arm asked. "Yes; the dearest friend I ever had among women; in fact, the only wo-

man I ever really cared for." In a moment John was half sorry, half glad he had said this, for he felt the little hand of his companion withdraw until only the tips of the fingers rested upon his arm. "That's a good sign," he mused.

For a moment nothing was said; then Miss Evanston broke the silence. "And didn't she care for you?" she "Yes," he replied. "She loved me

and she still loves me." Presently Kate's curiosity got the etter of her judgment and she asked; "And the man-you say he's a dea"

friend, top?" "Yes," replied Desmond, "the only une I cost mailed absolutely."

"And does he know that you love

her and that she loves you?".
"He knows absolutely that I love her and he is mighty certain that she loves

Kate was now thoroughly mystified. "And which of them asked you to arrange for the wedding?" she asked. "He did," replied John curtly. Kate could only say: "Well, this

dission, as you term it, certainly is "Oh, no, it isn't," said John. "It will all seem quite simple when the explanation comes, if any is needed. In fact, I think it will explain itself. Just you keep those eyes of your open

and you'll see it all very shortly." Presently John touched his companion slightly on the arm and drew her into the shop of the village jeweler. "Now, I want you to pick out the kind of a wedding ring you think the

bride should get," he said. When he had paid and pocketed the plain gold band they resumed their walk down the village street and stopped at the local office of a great metropolitan daily and Desmond, leaving Kate at one side, went up to the desk and wrote out a brief notice and was about leaving with her when the advertising clerk called after him and said that he had not told him when he wished the notice inserted.

"Why, to-morrow, of course," Desmond replied.

"Now, then," said John, as they turned into a side street, "we'll go and make arrangements for the parson to tie the knot and then we will have finished our mission."

They turned into the gravel walk leading to the Rev. John Barclay's house and had just reached the vineclad porch when Desmond stopped suddenly, as if he had but that moment thought of an important thing and, turning to Kate, who was standing close to him, almost whispered: "I want to ask another favor of you," bending his face close to hers, "I want you to let me kiss you before we go in there." And it was done in a moment.

Before Kate could recover from the perfect amazement into which John's action had thrown her he had dexterously drawn her arm through his and, leading her up the steps, had rung the door bell. The Rev. Mr. Barclay answered the

metallic summons in person and gave John a most cordial welcome, which surprised Kate, for she bad supposed John an agnostic and didn't think that he numbered members of the clergy among his intimates. "Mr. Barclay," began John, when

they had entered the snug parlor, where the good gentleman's wife was seated doing some fancy work, "I've come over to-night to arrange for a wedding and I want you to perform the ceremony."

"When is it to come off?" asked the elergyman, consulting a small date book which he drew from his waistcoat pocket.

"Immediately," said John. The Rev. Mr. Barclay cast a quiet glance at Kate. "And who are ried?" he asked.

John took Kate's hand in his own and answered firmly: "This lady, Miss Kate Evanston, and myself." Kate could not believe her ears. She stared at John in amazement. He has-

tened to reassure her. "You're excited, my dear Kate. Calm yourself."

The whole truth had come to her The explanation of the mysterious errand was solved. She looked into John's eyes and read love unspeakable and her own answered in kind. She went through the ceremony like one in a dream and feared it was a dream and hoped if it were she would never awaken.

The parson tied the knot and John slipped the ring which Kate had selected upon her finger and then the parson insisted upon his osculatory perquisite, and then they started for home, both supremely happy. All the way back Kate clung strongly to

Before they had quitted the Barclay garden Kate said to Desmond: "Why did you want to kiss me before we went into the house?"

"I'H tell you," returned John promptly. "You see, Barclay and I were classmates. I know his propensities, and I didn't want to suffer the reflection in after years that he nad kissed my wife first."

When the happy couple reached their home Kate said: "You are the most audactous man ever met. You bought the ring and even inserted a notice of our marriage before you asked me to marry you Tell me why you did not ask me first? How did you know I'd not refuse to

minister's house?" And Desmond answered: "When a man of action sees a girl kissing his picture he knows that the time for action, not words, has come, and he carries her off to the parson."

marry you and make a scene in the

Kate blushed furiously, and pressing her face against his shoulder, whispered ever so low: "I love an audacious man."-Chicago Dally News.

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increases egg production but lessens the food cost of eggs. This is very clearly shown by an experiment car-ried out by the Hatch experimental station of Massachusetts a few years ago with two lots of hens and pullets, 19 in each lot, and continuing 79 days from Feb. 9. The food for one lot was in pounds as follows: Whole wheat 99.5, oats 100, wheat bran 18.5, wheat middlings 18.5, Chicago gluten meal 18.5, ground clover 18.5, green cut bone 10, total 283.5, cost \$3.25, nutritive ratio 1 to 4.8. The other lot received essentially the same food, except that in place of the green bone it got 9.7 pounds animal meal. The total food was 287 pounds, cost \$3.26, nutritive ratio 1 to 4.9. The lot receiving green cut bone laid 269 eggs at a cost of .940 pound dry matter in food per egg and 1,2c for food consumed, while the other lot.

laid 145 eggs at a cost, of 1.796 pounds dry matter and 2.2c for food consumed. This included the cost of labor for cutting the bones. Cut bone as a food has no equal, Nothing will approach it in putting on growth and weight, more par-ticularly with ducklings than with chicks. Ducklings without an abundant supply of animal protein in the ration, together with a liberal proportian of mineral matter, seem un able to make any approximation to their normally rapid and most pro-

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