

# FATED TO LOVE HER

"Stay a moment, James," said Olivia, when the service was over, and the servants were gone. "I must introduce Gabrielle to Mr. Morris."

"The clergyman?" asked Gabrielle.

"The clerkman?" asked Gabrielle.

"Our own special property," said James. "Our chaplain—so called," explained Olivia, smiling. "He lives in a small house in the park, and reads prayer for us here, every morning, Sundays excepted. He was once the vicar of the parish; but his health failed."

She paused abruptly; for at this moment the vestry door opened, and Mr. Morris reappeared.

He had doffed his surplice, exposing to view a rusty coat, in some places much too large, and in some too small. With this the fellow-garments seemed made to correspond; the cravat, in particular, being at least twice as capacious as any other cravat which Gabrielle had ever seen, and arranged in folds of a more singular formation than she would otherwise have believed it possible for a cravat to assume. Walking unconcernedly, he approached Olivia; took her hand in silence, without anything of a smile, or a change of countenance; and dropped it. Then his hands clasped behind him, his head slightly on one side, and his eyes fixed on the ground, he remarked in such a tone as would convey the idea of continuing, rather than of commencing, a conversation:

"Happy release. She died last night—Mrs. Lanley."

"Ah! so I guessed when I heard the bell. Poor thing! She has suffered very much," said Olivia.

Mr. Morris started from his dreamy posture, and wheeled himself round toward James.

"Unless she greatly erred," he said, "you have in your library the 'Chronograph' of Georgius Synellus?"

"Yes, we have. Do you want it?" inquired James.

"If you'll just let it with me, I must refer to something. My treatise is at a standstill."

"You had better come and hunt it out. It is with the other old fellows of the same genus. You're welcome to as many as you like."

Mr. Morris received this speech in silence. A minute later, he started, and said:

"Thanks."

"I'll show you where they are," returning to the moving toward the door. Mr. Morris was following, when Olivia intercepted him to introduce Gabrielle. He paused, stared absently at the young stranger, and made a distant bow. Immediately afterward, as though he had seen something in her appearance, he observed:

"The Ten Tribes are not by any means so untraceable as many have supposed. For instance—"

"How is your breathing, Mr. Morris?" inquired James, who, being a few steps in advance, had lost these words.

"Better," he said, "better on the whole. Now for Synellus."

The library adjoined the chapel. He hastened to the where the most ancient of the books were deposited, and good looking up in admiring veneration, while, for the first time, a faint smile brightened his face.

"Sacrilege, sacrilege!" he broke forth, an instant later.

"What's the matter?" said James.

"To think that your grandfather should have the—the I beg your pardon; but to think that he could have such a book! One of the oldest copies of the 'Vulgate.' Patched up and rebound. Alas! Alas!"

"Yes, it was a terrible blunder. It can't be helped now, though. Here is Synellus," said James.

Mr. Morris grumbled again, but received the book; opened it reverently, his head on one side again, and his body thrown somewhat backward; finally, with a mutter of "Don't let me detain you," he relapsed into abstraction and an arm-chair.

Olivia followed her brother, in order to whisper with an expectant smile, "Well, James! what do you think of Gabrielle?"

"Think of her? Now, is not that a question worthy of a woman? What can I be expected to think, having made her acquaintance exactly one hour and twenty minutes ago?"

"But she must strike you in some way. My own opinion has been unchanged from the first moment that I saw her."

"Well," said James, considering, "what do I think? I know what I don't think. I don't think her Olivia; 'I have often seen her look pretty. At any rate, she has a most attractive face."

"I will try to find the attraction when I have time," replied James; "my present I must content myself by believing in it."

He turned toward his study, leaving appointed. She was never satisfied with her own tastes unless they were shared by James; she had taken a fancy to Gabrielle at first sight, and she had expected him to do the same.

"He is so engrossed with his philosophies," she murmured, "he cares for nothing else. Really, sometimes, I could almost wish that he were more like ordinary people!"

CHAPTER VI.

A fortnight had gone by, and Gabrielle was no longer a stranger at Farnley. She knew her way about the house; she had explored the garden; she had discovered the prettiest spots in the park. She had accompanied Olivia to the schools, and to some of the cottages; also in various calls among the surrounding families. The first excitement of the day, after breakfast, Gabrielle practised, read, and wrote a letter—if a letter were owing to either of her two correspondents—Mrs. Barber and Charlie Godfrey. After luncheon, she and Olivia drove or walked, paid or received visits, played etc.-etc. games of croquet. After dinner, reading aloud, and working, with a little music, filled up the time till prayers.

Gabrielle was already weary of this routine. It seemed to her that she was leading an empty life, doing no good to herself or to anybody else. She missed the thousand and one small services which she had rendered daily to her father, which had kept her head and her fingers constantly busy, but had sent her happy to her bed, because she had been useful. She missed her household duties, her village children, even her

for any one who was unhappy. You know—to go to the side that she described gently among the trees, and lie down in the cool water and float away. Death would be so easy—hardly like death, there—with that beautiful, peaceful place for the last glimpse of earth."

"And the jackdaws? I saw the last requiem! I suspect that if ever suicide should become allowable, we should have to keep pretty strict watch over you; otherwise you would set off to that beautiful peaceful place, by the very first train next morning."

Gabrielle smiled; but it was not a happy smile.

"I'll tell you what, Gabrielle," pursued James, kindling into sudden warmth; "such death as you describe might be very pretty and very sentimental, but it would also be very idle and very cowardly. There is a class of persons—chiefly third-rate poets, and a leg your pardon—young ladies—who think it exceedingly fine to feel and to express a perpetual sickly weariness of life. Nothing to me is more intensely provoking, and worse—more degrading to human nature. What are we worth if we can't weather a few showers, if we can't work out our own 'dear gazelles,' and so forth?"

"But surely," burst in Gabrielle, "there are cases, real sorrows, when—how can we help wishing to follow, to be reunited—"

she paused, half choked by her own vehemence. Then, meeting James' eye, she colored violently.

(To be continued.)

## BRODEUR'S PLANS.

A THOROUGH REORGANIZATION OF THE MARINE DEPARTMENT.

Many of the Defects Criticized Were in the Department Before His Time—Minister Had Already Moved in the Direction of Improvement.

Ottawa, March 27.—Hon. L. P. Brodeur, Minister of Marine and Fisheries, characterizes as absolutely untrue the report sent out from Ottawa to-day to various newspapers that he would resign his portfolio in consequence of the criticisms of his department made in the report of the Civil Service Commission.

Mr. Brodeur has no intention of resigning, and he has the warm support of all his colleagues in the Government in the efforts he is now making to remedy the recognized defects in the organization and administration of the department, inherited from his predecessors in office, and from the old Conservative regime. The staff and methods of conducting departmental business criticised most severely by the commission have long been a troublesome legacy left to the present Minister. Since he assumed the portfolio he has been earnestly endeavoring to bring about many reforms. The reorganization of the system of accounting in the department by specialists of high repute last year was the first step in this direction and was adopted long before the commission made any investigation. The Minister has now under way a thorough overhauling of every branch of the department, a readjustment of offices, officials, etc.

Lieut. Col. George's retirement as Deputy Minister on superannuation and the appointment of a new deputy will be followed by other important changes in the departmental staff.

As promised by Mr. Brodeur in the Commons yesterday, there will be a searching inquiry into all the allegations of wrongdoing in the administration of each branch of the Marine and Fisheries service, but whether this inquiry will be made by a royal commission or by some equally effective manner has not yet been determined.

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Lightning Enters Buildings Among the Wires—Persons Injured.

Chatham, Ont., March 27.—This city was visited by a severe electrical storm this morning, the worst that has ever been experienced here. One particularly brilliant flash of lightning was followed by a crash of thunder which shook the building in the city. Several people, including clerks in stores, received severe shocks through the lightning entering the buildings via telephone wires. Among those injured were William Mann, Mr. Perry, Miss Paterson and Miss Penick.

The lightning struck a freight train which was just leaving the city, and played along the tops of the cars. It struck the overhead trolley wire of the C. W. & L. R. Railway, on St. Clair street, and the wire melted and fell to the pavement. In each case, when the lightning entered a building along the wires, it exploded.

## NOT DAUNTED BY DEFEAT.

Peckham Election Result Will Not Affect Government's Programme.

London, March 27.—Mr. Lloyd George, President of the Board of Trade, in a speech here to-night, said the Government was not in the least daunted by the result of the by-election in the Peckham district, in which the Liberal candidate was defeated. This election, he declared, was merely the first skirmish in the war. The Government would go on with its licensing bill, the second reading of which will take place on April 6.

## TOO GENEROUS WITH POCKETS.

Kingston Convicts Punished for Improving Guards' Uniform.

Kingston, Ont., March 27.—Several prisoners in the penitentiary have had five days added to their sentences for making side pockets in the trousers of three penitentiary officials. A recent regulation allows officers to have only hip pockets. Some of the prisoners in the tailors' department thought that this was a shame, and without instructions finished certain trousers with full sets of pockets. Now they must pay the penalty.

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