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A Scientific Wooing

Curiosity, Sympathy and Imagination Were the Basic Principles.

By F. A. MITCHEL

************ Dr. Shotwell was about to leave his consulting room at the close of his morning office hours when a man entered whose appearance at once arrested his attention. There is no word to describe his appearance except queer. He was neither homely nor good looking, neither well nor poorly dressed. Indeed, there was nothing for or against his personal appearance. He was simply queer. Nevertheless intellect was expressed in his face. He might have been a poet; he might have been a Socialist; he might have been a lightning calculator escaped

from a dime museum. The doctor looked at him with an expression intended to ask what he could do for him. The patient thrust his hand in his pocket and pulled out a roll of bills, from which he selected five tens and, handing them to the

doctor, said: "There's nothing the matter with me, doctor. I'm in perfect health. I desire to consult you as to a matter of importance to me, and since I know your time is valuable I offer payment in advance. For these bills I desire half an hour's consultation with you or such part of that time as may be necessary to my purpose.'

The doctor gave a tacit consent, ask-ed his visitor to be seated, took a chair himself, and the other proceeded:

"I desire to win the love of a certain woman who has not manifested the slightest interest in me. I am con-vinced that love between the sexes may be produced by exciting the imagination. Nine-tenths of our marriages in America are for what is called love, but what I call an abnormal temporary development of the imaginative faculty. In proof of this I would cite the different conditions of a couple about to be married from those of a couple that have been married. During the courtship, while they are feeding on what I call imaginary love food, they are in an ecstatic sus Marriage ends that suspense and brings reality. After that their relations are dependent upon a number of conditions, the chief of which, to state it concisely, is whether they are naturally fitted or unfitted to give each other aid and comfort."

The doctor sat attentive to this disquisition on love, an incipient smile gathering on his lips as his visitor proceeded. When this point had been reached and the speaker added, "Do you follow me?" the doctor replied: "I do. Proceed." Whereupon the man

continued:

"My name is Norman Bloodgood. I wish to marre a young woman named Catherine Anderson. The reason why I wish to marry her is because I desire to marry some one, and I have settled upon her. There is no more reason why she should marry me than any other man. She has met me once and treated me with indifference."

"Beg pardon," interrupted the medical man, "did she not evince at least curiosity?"

"Now I remember," responded the client, "there was a look on her face at seeing me indicating surprise or amusement or something of the kind, but nothing indicating admiration or in any way being drawn toward me.

But why do you ask this?" "I take it for granted from what you have told me that you wish me to suggest some scientific method of exciting an interest in you, which, being fanned by the imagination, may result

"Exactly." "Very well. I would recommend attempting to effect a lodgment through curiosity, the only constituent part of your makeup that seems to have taken any hold upon the young lady. Beginning with this as a foundation we may build upon it with other excitants of the feelings commonly used by wooers. Sympathy may be excited by real or feigned misfortune. Flattery when undetected as such is a stimulant. Sentiment excited by gifts, principally flowers, is an excellent means of producing love. Then when a substruc

ture has thus been laid a touch of hands, a kiss"-"I am aware of these methods, common to all mankind," interrupted the visitor. "What I desire to learn from you is how to handle that very difficult matter of making a beginning. Subsequent devices may or may not What I am looking for is something that must produce a scientific re-C. W. VAIL, Agent. Watford. of oxygen with two parts of hydrogen will produce water." sult, just as the mingling of one part

"While I eat willing to adult" re-plied the doctor, "that there may be some means of producing such an ef-foct. I doubt if we have attained to a knowledge of it. Nevertheless I confees that the bent of my mind is to-ward investigation, and I will be in-terested in assisting you to win the love of the lady of your choice by act-entific means, but handing his visitor the proffered fee—"I could not consent. to take money for what is beyond the

The matter of the fee having been settled by the client accepting its return, the doctor proceeded: "Since you consider the imagination the excitant of love I am willing to work with you

on this line. But we must in your case begin with curiosity, since you that is the only hold you have don Miss Anderson's attention. Now, suppose you make a mystery concerning yourself. Hint at some great grief in your life, some injustice done you. I would not scruple to try to impose upon the lady a sin you have committed, of which you are repentant."
"But, doctor, the time must come

when it will become necessary to make plain this mystery."

"Not necessarily, but if it does you may gain a strong point by confessing some noble act which your tender con-science has exaggerated into a crime."

"Shake, doctor!" said the visitor, grasping the other's hand. "That suggestion is worth more than any pre-scription you have ever written." "That isn't saying much." muttered

the man of medicine to himself. "I must leave you now," he said to his client, looking at his watch, "to make my morning round of visits. Suppose you start on the lines I have suggested, and if you find that you have produced results let me know advise you, having made your beginning on a basis of curiosity, to add a teaspoonful-I mean a quantum-of sympathy, leaving the imagination to come in third, after which resort to the ordinary devices pertaining to court-

ship.' "Thank you, doctor," said the visitor, rising and grasping the doctor's hand warmly, and with the same serious look on his face that he had worn through

the interview he went his way. Within a fortnight the doctor received a letter from his client in which he laid down his great grief and a sin that he had committed. He had killed a man for revenge, but had been driven to the act through a great wrong done him. He was suffering no end of mental torture. Miss Anderson's sympathy had been aroused, and she was intent upon knowing what had spurred him to kill a fellow being. This was as far as he had gone. He had noted the rise of considerable interest in him on the part of the lady. In due time he would reveal that his father and mother, who had lived in the wild west, had been murdered by Indians. He had not only killed all the Indians concerned in the massacre, but he had barbarously taken their scalps, acts for which he could never

forgive himself. A second letter came in which Mr. Bloodgood spoke of the murder of his parents and his confession of his revenge. Miss Anderson had been much grieved for him and had been disappointed because he had not tortured the Indians before killing them. She had expressed wonder that he should have allowed the killing of a few savages who had murdered his dear father and mother to trouble his con-Surely be must have great science. nobility of soul to consider such an act

a sin. And here, as these two scientists, Dr. Shotwell and Mr. Bloodgood, had intended, the imagination began to work. Miss Bloodgood pictured the settlers' cabin, the trees of the virgin prest waving over it, the old man sitting before the firelight at evening smoking his pipe and the old woman clearing the supper table; then the figures of the red men far in the evening twilight galloping toward the cabin. The massacre was too horrible for the dreamer to dwell upon, but she pic-

tured the son's return to find his parents weltering in their blood. And now the queerness of Norman Bloodgood had given place to a heroic looking man bending over his parents' bodies, then looking up to heaven and swearing to avenge their death. She saw him mount a mettlesome steed and, plunging his spurs into the horse's flanks, speed away into the depths of the forest. She heard the crack of his rifle as he brought down the first savage. She saw him plunge a tomahawk into the next redskin's skull. She fancled him dealing death to a dozen In-dians and wished there were more.

Then her hero rode off, his værgeance wreaked, appalled at the gory being the massacre of his beloved parents had made him. Years of regret followed. What a noble spirit to grieve over the punishment of bloodthirsty savages! One day Mr. Bloodgood called at Dr. Shotwell's office and reported the story, he had told, the object of the experiment they were interested in. He knew nothing of his success in exciting Miss Anderson's imagination or her sympathy. He simply reported what he had done. The doctor listened to

he had profused, magnetical that he try a light application of hand pressure; if this was not repetted, as it me staten around the walst; a touch of the lips.

Not long after this Bloodgood reported that is one of his fits of remerse he had dropped his head upon Miss Anderson's shoulder. She had not withdrawn from the contact. Hencouraged, he had fulded her in his arms. Still he had fulded her in his arms. Still he had folded her in his arms. Still not being repelled, he had kissed kgr. Then one day he called at the doctor's office to be congratulated upon his en-

These two scientists discussed the matter in the same vein as when they were laying out their plan of attacking Miss Anderson's heart by scientific merchads as if they had it in a test tube. Mr. Bloodgood did not appear to consider that there was any difference in the two processes. As for the doctor, he was a reticent man and never told even his best friend how much of the conquest was due to cause and effect and how much to nature.

After Mr. Bloodgood's marriage Dr.

Shotwell met him and asked him if he and preserved the secret of his decep

"Oh, I confessed that at the time our first child was born," replied Blood-good, "but she was too much interested in the haby to consider the matter of eny importance."

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