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So they went on in the April afternoon sunshine across the meadow, skirted the pine wood where James used to play truant in company with Tip the terrier, and saw through the slender tree-trunks the blue haze rising from the lower ground beyond; and then they came to the farmyard, and to the old shed with the chickens and the ducks flocking about it just as they used to do; and there in a corner stood a red wagon, which might have been the very one under the shafts of which James had found Deldee.

He looked in, and began to laugh.

"I suppose you don't remember this place, Deldee?" said he curiously.

"No."

"Well, I do. It was just in this corner that I found you sitting on the ground on a sack, and——Hallo, Mrs. Corbyn, don't you recognize two old friends?" he cried out, shaking hands with her.

"I remember you, of course, sir, and I'm very glad to see you back; but——"

"But you don't remember the lady I carried off from you one October evening?"

Mrs. Corby started, and courtesied, as Geraldine shook hands with her. She had exchanged the comeliness of her youth for that of a mature age; but the expression of her face was as kind and good-humored as ever. But, through all the admiration for her transformed favorite, which her shy glances betrayed, James saw that something was puzzling or distressing the farmer's wife; and while Geraldine was engaged in caressing an ugly mongrel which came jumping about her, Mrs. Corbyn drew him a little on one side, and said:

"It is the strangest thing in the world that you should bring the young lady here today, sir. Yesterday a gentleman came making inquiries about her, and saying he was her father."

Geraldine caught these words, and came up quickly, just as James was trying to silence the farmer's wife.

"No; go on, please," she said quietly.

And Mrs. Corbyn, glancing from one to the other, obeyed:

"He—he described the—the lady who brought you here exactly, miss, so that I could see her again as he spoke, and he said that she was his wife, whom he had been forced through difficulties to leave for a time, and he said—he said he was a cousin of poor Sir Charles', sir, and his wife knew that, and so brought the child, when she herself got badly off, and, not daring to take it up to the hall herself, she left it here with a letter, which you, miss, being very little, and not understanding the importance of it—which you went and swallowed, miss."

The girl looked incredulous, but James confirmed the statement by a grave nod. Questioned further, the description Mrs. Corbyn gave of the gentleman left no possibility of doubt that it was Lindley Fielding, as both the young man and the girl had at once feared. The story alarmed them both. There was a troubled pause in the conversation when they learned all they could, which was broken by the arrival of the farmer himself, on whom the sight of his wife's visitors made a deeper impression than it had made upon her. He guessed sooner than his wife had done who the lady was; but, after examining her well, he said, in a tone which frankly intimated that in his opinion she had not lived up to her early promise:

"Ah, miss, you were a pretty little mite, if ever there was one! I would have given my head to bring you up as my own."

"You were not so amiable about it, then, if I remember rightly," suggested James.

"Never you mind, Sir James! It sounds a liberty to say it, now you've grown into a fine lady," continued he, with an undercurrent of pity for her degredation; "but I never took to a child, before or since, not even to my own, as I did to you, miss."

His wife tried to check the exuberance of his reminiscences, thinking they might not be agreeable to the lady's ears. But Geraldine liked the farmer's blunt straightforwardness, and encouraged him by thanking him for his good intentions toward her.

"Well, I would have brought you up to the best of my means, and you should have wanted for nothing—in reason," he added, prudently. "I dare say you think you have done better than that," he admitted. "But there is no knowing—you have your life before you yet, and there's ups and there's downs. And, if you ever should want the help of a plain man that's not a gentleman, but that has a few pounds at his back and a good roof over his head, you're welcome to come to me, madam, not for the sake of the fine lady you've grown into, but for the sake of the little creature that, by the bye, I remember didn't take to me much nineteen years ago."

"Thank you," said Geraldine, touched by the genuine ring of the only half-gracious words. "Perhaps I appreciate you better now than I did then, to balance your evident preference for the baby over the 'fine lady.'"

Mr. Corbyn laughed constrainedly, and left his wife with her, in order to speak to the young gentleman, whom he led straight into the farm-yard, well out of hearing of the women, before he unburdened his mind.

"I'm the last person to wish to interfere in anybody else's affairs, sir," he began, ominously. "But at the same time, as a tenant for years of your late uncle, Sir Charles, and now yours, sir, I am bound to feel an interest in the family—that you will understand, sir; and stories have got about these last three days, somehow. I don't wish to give offense; but I have something to tell you which may be of service to you. This sudden illness and death of Sir Charles, and your sudden arrival, and Mr. Fielding's goings on, have set folks talking."

"And what do they say?"

"Oh, goodness knows, sir—a lot of cock-and-bull stories for the most part; and I only mention them because, if it hadn't been for all this commotion, I shouldn't have thought much of what I saw."

"And that was——"

"A man loafing about the hall, sir, yesterday and today, after no good, I'll swear."

"My industrious relative, Mr. Lindley Fielding, I suspect, on vulture's business."

"No, sir, not Mr. Fielding."

"Who then?"

"I don't know, Sir James—a man I never saw before."

James looked uneasy, though he tried to laugh the matter off.

"Thanks, Corbyn; I'll have the strong-room watched."

But the farmer guessed, as the gentleman knew, that the man on the watch by Waringham Hall had not come after the plate.

CHAPTER XVII.

Geraldine and James returned toward the hall, anxious and unhappy. At first each tried to hide this fact from the other; but the attempt was a failure; and at last she said, in a low voice:

"Oh, I hope it is not true! I have met the man, and I don't like him."

James stopped.

"It is not true. Be sure, whatever happens, not to let any one persuade you that it is. That man, under another name, has been my ruin; for some reason or other, he is now working to effect yours. If you have any trust in me, any care for your own happiness, don't have anything to do with him. Believe me, child, I speak from experience so bitter that, if I were to live for a hundred years, I could not outlive the effects of it—he has wrecked my body and soul!"

"What has he done?" she asked, timidly.

"It is not a story for your ears, child; it would shock you, disgust you, and all I want is to warn you against falling into his hands. He is a plausible scoundrel, and can cheat himself as well as the rest of the world. His love of pleasure and of his own ease he mistakes for philanthropy, and he is constantly complaining, in all good faith, of the unkind feelings cherished against him by the victims of his own rogueries. Promise, for my sake, that you will have nothing to do with him."

"I can promise you that I do not want to do so," she answered, simply.

She had no fear of what this monster of iniquity, as James described him to be, might do to her, she instinctively knew that life had no dangers for her compared with those it had for her stalwart companion. The disgust she had felt at Reginald's revelations of the manner in which James had spent the evening before his return home had struggled vainly against the affection for him which had never died out since her childhood, and the gratitude which had sprung up in her heart on learning that it was to his childish fancy for her that she owed her guardian's care and love through all these years. This fact gave the young man a right to reverence in her eyes, and she was now far more ready to accuse herself for her ungrateful coldness the day before than him for his vices or his crimes; and she ingenuously thought it was very good of him to bear no malice for the snub of the morning before. So she walked along, by his side, enjoying a subdued and timid happiness in his society, until they reached the park; and James, not wishing yet to exchange the pleasant tete-a-tete for the more restrained intercourse of indoors, asked her if she would like to come round the garden. She assented willingly, yet with hesitation; evening was closing in, and she had dragons to fear both at Waringham Hall and Copsley.

James led her round to the front entrance, and to the gate opposite, through which she had run to escape him on his first appearance. They now went through together; and sauntered along the box-bordered path between two broad beds full of blush-roses, breaking into leaf and lilac in full blossom; while guelder-roses, syringa, and laburnum gave faint promise of later beauty, and the petals of the already fading almond-blossom strewed the ground at their feet.

Geraldine was delighted with the charm of this nook, and pained by the thought that she had never been there with her guardian. James saw the shadow cross her face, and, to divert her thoughts, he said:

"It is not quite so pretty as the vicarage garden, is it? And we have no lilac half so fine as that I saw in your hands yesterday."

"It was very lovely; Mr. Reginald Bamber gave it to me," she answered, not without a spontaneous impulse of mischief.

"Ah, I suppose you wouldn't look at a flower of my gathering after that!" said he, with, however, no very wild display of jealousy.

"Oh, I might look at it for the sake of the flower! I like flowers," answered she, demurely; and she accepted a handful of little, scentless white Scotch roses with carelessness which gave no intimation of the care with which they were to be treasured up.

"You are very hard, aren't you?" whispered James, as he rearranged them in her hands and tried to look into her eyes.

"What do you mean by 'hard'?" she asked, in a low voice, after a pause of a few moments.

"Why weren't you very unkind to me yesterday morning?"

Her breath came quickly, but at first she did not answer; then she said, almost in a whisper:

"Please forgive me. They had been telling me shameful things about you."

"'They' means Reginald Bamber, I suppose?" said he, angrily. "And what stories did he tell you?"

"Oh, no, no! Don't be angry; he only said—he said you were—I don't like to say it—I assure you I don't believe a word of it, James—Sir James; but he said——"

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The Friends' View

Make Various Representations to Those in Authority.

Opposed to War, Capital Punishment and Intoxicants,

They Are Also Against the Taking of Oaths.

Special from Our Own Correspondent.

Ottawa, April 24.—Mr. Lount, member for Center Toronto, and Mr. Pettit, member for Prince Edward, have met Premier Laurier and several of his colleagues and represented to them the views of the Society of Friends, at the solicitation of the yearly meeting of that body. The members of the society, in their petition, urge in behalf of the stability of the Dominion, that "self-reliance, integrity and peaceful methods receive the fostering care of the Government quite as much as trade and commerce." The Society of Friends having preached for more than 200 years the settlement of all differences by peaceful methods, express pleasure that Parliament has declared in favor of international arbitration. "With gratitude," they say, "we note a widespread conviction that in the English-speaking world at least there should be blotted out for ever the unchristian and execrable practice of war. We desire that legislators shall keep in view continually not only high purposes of the Dominion but of the empire, and an Anglo-Saxon unity, the excellence of whose moral force the world will not be able to withstand." For this reason the Friends oppose the promotion of militarism. They are further averse to capital punishment. "We would not," they say, "withhold punishment that is of value, nor allow the freedom of citizenship without cause; but urge in the case of murder, as in all other crime, that restitution, so far as possible, to the injured, and the reformation, not the destruction, of the criminal be the chief aim of justice in the infliction of punishment." The Friends favor the prohibition of the liquor traffic.

Probably the most interesting feature in the petition of the Friends is that an affirmation or declaration be taken in every case where an oath by law is now required. These are their reasons:

1. An irreverence towards Scripture and Truth, to which the frequent careless and formal use of the oath leads.

2. The false and superstitious idea which it tends to create, namely, that men are not responsible to their Creator and to society except when His particular attention is called to witness in an oath. It recognizes as the motive to speak truth the fear of future torment, which fear is of very doubtful virtue. We believe men almost entirely speak the truth because of the spirit of right and justice, and occasionally from the legal consequences of perjury.

3. The respect which a Christian Government and a Christian people ought to have for the Scriptures, and for the admonition of the Founder of Christianity, who said, "Swear not at all," etc.

4. Inasmuch as the declaration has already taken the place largely of the affidavit, it does not appear why it does not find complete acceptance.

These declarations are signed by Serena A. Minard, Sam P. Zavitz, Granville H. Haight and Isaac Wilson.

The Premier has promised that his Government will give their earnest consideration to the requests of the Friends.

AMERICAN TARIFF.

The Senate Committee Still Wrestling With Details—The Tax on Wool.

Washington, D. C., April 24.—The Republican tariff sub-committee of the Senate finance committee want to report the tariff bill to the full committee on Tuesday next, but are not at all confident that this result can be accomplished.

The entire wool schedule will not be advanced, but the probabilities are strong that wools of the third class will be. Those of the first and second class will probably be reduced.

A decision has been practically reached to make hides dutiable at the rate of 1½ cents per pound. The advocates of an increased duty on lead ore are said to have also won, and according to the best obtainable reports, the McKinley rate of $30 per ton will be restored. There will also be a rebate on tin used in canning fruit and fish to be exported.

MIDDLESEX VESTRY MEETINGS.

The annual vestry meeting of St. Peter's Church, Dorchester Station, was held on Monday, when the following officers were appointed for the ensuing year: Clergyman's warden, John Bell; people's warden, George Wade; lay delegate to the Synod, O. M. Maybee. The meeting was a very enthusiastic one, and the church was found to be in a flourishing condition financially.

The vestry meeting of St. John's Church, Harriettsville, was held the same afternoon, and resulted as follows: Clergyman's warden, P. H. Rickard; people's warden, J. H. O'Neil; lay delegate to the Synod, J. M. O'Neil. The financial affairs of this congregation were also in excellent condition.

The Belmont vestry meeting was held in the evening, and the following officers were elected: Clergyman's warden, W. H. Soole; people's warden, Victor Cline; lay delegate to the Synod, David F. Moore. The Churchwoman's Guild in connection with this congregation has done an almost incredible amount of work during the year, and to their indefatigable efforts may be ascribed, in a large measure, the excellent financial condition of the congregation.

Rev. George W. Racey, incumbent, presided at each of the above-named meetings, and they were much better than those of past years.

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THE PEDAGOGUES.

Close of the 86th Annual Conference of Ontario Public School Teachers.

Toronto, April 23.—The annual convention of the Ontario Educational Association, which closed last night, proved highly successful and instructive. There was a wide range of topics discussed and some severe criticisms of details in the educational system of the province. On all hands it was conceded that good will result from the discussions and that the educators themselves will profit greatly from this their 36th annual conference.

Mr. Mills, of the Agricultural College, Guelph, gave an address on the public school course as a preparation for the duties and responsibilities of life.

In the trustees' section, Dr. McGillivray, Whitby, read a paper on examinations, and announced that there were too many and they cost too much.

Hon. G. W. Ross quoted figures to show that the cost was less than in any other country where a like efficiency was maintained. As to the charge of jobbery, the Minister said it was a base insinuation against the teachers of the province, which would not be heeded by any right-thinking man.

Dr. B. A. Himsdale, of Ann Arbor, Mich., lectured on the psychological aspects of education.

Prof. Tracy read a paper on "Child Study."

"What can be done by means of our school system to advance agriculture?" was the title of a paper handled by Mr. R. H. Knox, B.A., Iroquois. Too much attention, he said, is paid to the ornamental and not enough to the useful.

"Dogmatic religious instruction in the schools is out of the question and is not really necessary," was the idea promulgated by Rev. Mr. McGregor, M.A., of Tilsonburg, in his paper on "The character of the teacher as a factor in education."

A very sensible paper on "Manual Training in Public Schools" was contributed by Mr. R. H. Cowley, M.A., Ottawa.

Inspector Brebner, of Sarnia, spoke on the subject "Why do teachers fail?" These reasons he alleged: A lack of adequate knowledge of the subjects required to pass the primary examinations, lack of self-control and self-possession in the discipline of the schoolroom, lack of resource or tact, lack of conscience or sense of the serious responsibilities of the teacher's office. Any of these defects will cripple a teacher, but a combination will cause failure.

Mr. E. Y. Godfrey, Meaford High School Board, condemned the suggested removal of arithmetic and English grammar from the junior leaving examination and the substitution of two foreign languages.

"Are our readers up to date?" was the question handled by Mr. D. Robb, P.S.I., and answered in the negative.

Rev. W. T. Wilkins, B.A., Trenton, dealt with the subject, "Has not the time come when a literary qualification should be required of school trustees and especially of high school trustees?"

The jubilee resolution, as drafted by the sub-committee, was read to the association, and contained the usual congratulatory expression of loyalty to her Majesty. The resolution will be engrossed, signed by the president, president-elect and secretary, and sent to the Queen.

The Minister of Education, who has been in great demand throughout the meeting, gave an able address on "Citizenship and higher education." One of the main points which Dr. Ross strove to make was that whatever the state might spend in aid of university education would be amply repaid by the indirect benefits she would derive from the useful experimental works and resulting inventions the scientific and otherwise learned men turned out by the university would carry out. Political economists should step into politics and throw some light on such topics as the tariff. The Minister concluded with an appeal to the members to repay to their country the services they had received from it in the shape of an almost entirely free education.

This closed the convention.

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Western Ontario.

Gas Well Struck in Tilsonburg This Week.

A Raleigh Township Farmer Held Up Twice in One Day, and Robbed of $65.

R. McCully, Southwold, who was severel kicked by a horse recently, is recovering.

The Wallaceburg town council has imposed a tax of $30 on storekeepers who sell cigarettes.

At the public meeting on Monday night in Thamesville, G. J. Hopkins was elected to fill the vacancy at the council board.

The agricultural societies of North Oxford, East Oxford and Blandford held their spring stallion fair in the county town on Wednesday afternoon, with a fair measure of success.

Rev. S. J. Allin, of Brussels, is undergoing treatment for catarrh of the stomach, and is in exceedingly delicate health. His pulpit work is being done in the meantime by Rev. Mr. Rice, of St. Thomas.

The loss by the burning of the Norsworthy foundry at Ingersoll on Thursday is given as $3,000 to $4,000. The building was insured in the London Mutual for $6,000, and the insurance will fully cover all losses.

Mrs. Mary E. Smith, of Albany, N. Y., resided in Windsor from 1878 till 1888, but since then her relations have lost sight of her. Chief Wills has been requested to look her up, as a legacy has been left to her.

Hiram Jarvis, a Raleigh township farmer, while driving home on Thursday on the 8th concession, was held up by two highwaymen and robbed of $65. Hurrying back to Chatham, Jarvis was again held up, but had no money to be taken.

On Tuesday afternoon, at the residence of Mr. George Griffin, Guelph, Mrs. Mary Anne Porte, of that city, was wedded to Mr. Joseph J. Wright. Mr. Wright runs the large Point Farm, a summer resort at Goderich. The Ven. Archdeacon Dixon performed the ceremony.

Tilbury has formed a baseball club, with the following officers: Honorary president, W. C. Crawford; president, Dr. Sharp; vice-president, P. E. Beauce; manager, W. Walsh; captain, Dr. Milligan; secretary-treasurer, A. Aubin; ground committee, S. H. Shaw, W. Milligan, W. Walsh.

Under application of the defendant, Dr. Cascaden, of Dutton, a postponement until the Elgin fall assizes has been made in the suit brought by A. D. Urlin against him for $10,000 for slander. The suit arises out of the accusation said to have been made by the doctor that Mr. Urlin was concerned in the burning of certain buildings in Dutton.

The action commenced by D. E. Ferguson of Yarmouth, to recover $2,000 damages from the Stevens Manufacturing Company, London, has been settled. It will be remembered that Ferguson was injured by a boiler explosion on the farm of Arch. Ferguson, con. 12, Yarmouth, last December, and it was alleged that the accident was due to the negligence of the company's servant. The Stevens Company paid Mr. Ferguson $755.

A gas well was struck in Tilsonburg a few days ago in the neighborhood of one of the old wells that had been sunk in the search for oil in years past. A match was applied, and a flame fully 25 feet high was the result. It was with great difficulty that the blaze was extinguished. It is understood that steps are to be taken at once to pipe the gas, which appears to have a steady flow.

On Thursday evening a prominent resident of Dunwich joined the ranks of the benedicts. The pleasant social event occurred at the residence of Mr. John Kendall, near Iona Station, being the marriage of his second daughter, Miss Kate, to Mr. W. A. Galbraith. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Mr. Claris, of London. The bride was supported by Miss Marie McColl, of Wallacetown, while the groom was assisted by his brother, Mr. John Galbraith.

The Chatham electric railway bylaw has passed in satisfactory form, and will be voted on, May 20. The city is to pay the company $7,500 per year for twenty years in return for the electric lighting of the town, for 100 arc lights, and incandescents for public buildings at half a cent per hour. Railway to be complete to Cedar Springs by next New Year's Day. Car service in city every fifteen minutes, with 5-cent fares; return fares between Chatham and Lake Erie; five miles to be operated in the city.

David Duncan, alias Montrose, was convicted of bigamy in the recorder's court at Detroit on Tuesday, and sentenced to one year in the house of correction. Duncan was married in 1877 to Nina Wigle at Gosfield, Essex county. Last fall he went to Detroit, boarded for a time with Mrs. Harriet Smith, made love to his landlady, and finally married her. A day or two after his marriage a friend of his frightened the woman into paying him a sum of money, which he claimed Montrose owed him. Subsequently her suspicions became aroused, and she prosecuted Duncan.

Mrs. Matthew Gilbert died on Tuesday at her home, Edgeware road, Yarmouth, in her 71st year. The deceased was a daughter of the late John Strathaven Campbell, of the River road, Southwold, and was born in Lanarkshire, Scotland. With her parents she came to this country over 60 years ago. Two of her brothers, Lachlan, of St. Thomas, and Dugald, of Southwold, and one sister, Mrs. McColl, of Plymouth, Indiana, are still living. Her three children all survive her—John A. and Mrs. R. W. Ballah, who remain at the family residence, and Mrs. Martha Sherk, of South Dorchester.

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West Lorne, April 24.—At this place the other day a score of juveniles assembled to play baseball. The elder son of Mr. Jacob Mistele was in the act of striking at the ball, when the bat slipped from his hands and struck his 7-year-old brother in the pit of the stomach. Dr. Brock was summoned, but the boy died the following day.

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Consolidated Gold Mining Company of London, Ltd

NON-PERSONAL LIABILITY.

Capitalization, 1,000,000 shares. Incorporated under Ontario Laws. Par value of each share, $1

HEAD OFFICE, LONDON, ONT. STOCK NON-ASSESSABLE.

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Rossland, B. C., April 22, 1897.

E. D. Croden, Secretary The Leap Year Consolidated Gold Mining Co., of London, Ltd.

Work well under way; property looks O. K.; beyond expectations. Main tunnel in 35 feet. 8 or 10 tons of clean ore on the dump. Particulars by mail.

JAS. C. BELTON.

Applications for stock (10c per share) to officers of the company or

CLEGHORN & WETHERILL, Brokers, Dundas Street, London