

TRYING THINGS.

A HALLOWEEN STORY. "Well this is a pretty fix for a man like me" and Silas Hammersmith straightened up and gazed at the mirror in his bachelor apartments as if he considered it in some way responsible for the present deplorable state of his affairs. "Oh, it's no use talking! This is a good one on me! To think that at my time of life, and he waved his hand in disgust at the mirror, "I should go and fall in love! I thought when in my sorrow state of twenty I got through with that sweet little affair of Mary Kelly (bless her bright eyes! It was a nice little episode, too, but she married another man who had the money to keep her), I thought then that I had got through with the tender passion, but that to this was like milk to champagne. It is preposterous, and of course I have no chance beside the young fellow; but I am only thirty-five. I am not bad looking either—that is not very bad looking. I don't squint nor wear glasses, nor—but I've forgotten what will please the girls, though she doesn't seem like the ordinary run of girls. Ah, my sweet Dora! What have I to offer in exchange for your young fresh face and care-free heart? Nothing but the will and the power to keep you care-free and happy throughout all life. But I think Jack Liston has the inside track, though he's a jackanape, a dude! but he's young and stylish, and that's what takes with the girls. Yes, I'm almost sure she cares for him more, but I can't wait very long to see! I must do something—this unrest is unfitting me for business, and if I don't attend to that I may as well shut up shop. But how am I to find out Oh, there is too much at stake! If I ask her, which is the straightest way out, and she says no, even in that gentle voice of hers, I can never look her in the face again; and if I don't ask her I will see her, talk to her—but that is misery, the worst consolation possible, a privilege to her every civil young man of her acquaintance. Dora! Dora! No, I must put an end to it. I must—Ah!—a sound of feet and loud voices announced a company, and two young men made a noisy entrance. The foremost one exclaiming: "Hello, Hammersmith are you making your will that you look so lugubrious?" And he exchanged shy winks with his companion. But Hammersmith smiled quietly as he remarked: "You are rather noisy cubs. What's afoot now?" "O, we are going to have some fun, and we want you to join us."

"What kind of fun do you mean to have?" "Well, you see, Halloween is coming and that night people always try tricks, to see whom their future husband or wife is going to be."

"And do you expect me to engage in any such nonsense?" Hammersmith asked good humoredly. "Well, no," said young Liston, who had spoken first. "Of course such a grave old face as you don't care much about women and all the tricks we intend to try are on some girls who are going to try tricks."

"And who may the girls be? Any friends of mine?" "Yes, indeed, but I will not tell you their names unless you promise to be one of the party."

"Well, I promise, then, provided there is no harm intended. Who are the girls, and what are the tricks?" "The girls are Carleton's sister here, and mine, and Dora Vane. They are to spend the evening at our house, and I overheard their plot, quite unknown to any of their friends, just by themselves, and try tricks to see who their future husbands will be. Now what I propose is for us to lie in wait; and when they get to the point where the future husbands are to come in, for us to perorate those gentlemen."

"But this is taking a very unfair advantage of the girls."

"O, nonsense! It is all in fun, and will be a bargain no one need consider as binding if that's what you are afraid of."

"I am not afraid of that," said Hammersmith slowly, in whose mind an idea was beginning to dawn which was likely to prove engaging. "You are sure we can enter and it be arranged without any contretemps?"

"O, yes," said Liston eagerly, "there is a bedroom off the parlour which they intend to see who they also opens from another room, and the door into the parlour is always kept locked. I'll see that it can be unlocked at short notice that night, and with care, and by wearing light boots we can enter unperceived, and the rest will be easy. Halloween is next Saturday night, and this—"

"Is Wednesday. They may change their plans before that."

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