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JESSAMINE.

"I wouldn't go when I found that Roy wanted to get rid of me," said the transformed wife. "When I put him into the confessional, he owned who was his fellow-conspirator in the scheme of my banishment. For shame, Cousin, Jane! I have long suspected your of a weakness for my handsome professor, but you sit convicted of a deliberate attempt to remove him from the guardianship of his legal protector, that your designs upon his affections might be more vigorously prosecuted. And no sooner do you suppose that the coast is clear than you present yourself, arrayed in your best dress and choicest smiles, and with actually a rose-bud in your brooch! To make sure of your game, I shall never trust in human friendship again!"

"You are ungenerous to triumph over me openly—and in the poor, dear doctor's hearing!" returned her cousin, holding her fan before her face, with a theatrical show of detected guilt. "I ought to have some compensation for the excruciating anguish the discovery cost me," returned Jessie. "Tongue cannot describe the tremendous struggle I went through before I could bring myself to undertake the investigation of your perfidy and his susceptibility. I know just how poor Ester felt when she screwed her courage to the sticking point, and made up her mind and her toilette to face Ahasuerus and a possible gallows."

Roy was pretending to listen to the doctor's elaborate disquisition upon an important political question, but he stole a sidelong glance at the sparkling face, across the hearth, and smiled in gladness of content.

She was his little, winsome witch again. The beautiful enchantment that had ensnared her fancy and distracted her thoughts from dwelling upon him and his love—(he refused to believe that he had ever lost her heart)—was destroyed, and by him remembered no more as a thing of dread. More to spare him pain than to shield Orrin, Jessie had not entered into the particulars of her estrangement, or revealed who was the true agent in bringing it about. Wyllys' name was not mentioned by either.

"I had a bad, wild dream," she thus explained her defection. "A dream that made me doubt you—heaven—myself—everything—that robbed me of love and hope, and faith. I was awfully gladdened, undisciplined, and I was previously tempted by an evil spirit. Maybe—humbly—I am no better or wiser now; but I am ready and thankful to give myself up to your guidance. I ought to be a good woman in future, for I have been dealt with very tenderly by my Heavenly Father—and by you, my best earthly friend!"

Roy had no fear. His second wooing was, he felt, crowned with richer, more enduring success than the first had been. He cared not to ask, or to conjecture by what art his image had been clouded over, since he saw it now clearly mirrored in a heart tried by refining fires.

The christening feast was not held until December, at which date Master Kirke Lanneau Fordham was four months old.

Eunice had taken her school and cottage for a year, and the interesting feat could not be appointed until she could make her arrangements to be with her sister. Work for the good of others, and wholesome meditation, had brought to her, as they must to all healthy, God-fearing souls, healing and peace during the months she had spent in her own domicile. With the June vacation had come Jessie and her husband; and when the little claimant upon their love and care arrived, the lonely woman, who had put thoughts of her own wifehood and maternity from her forever, was turned the key upon the souvenirs of her one love dream, opened her heart and took in with the babe, comfort and hope that were to her fresh and beautiful life.

What Roy's arguments and Jessie's entreaties could not accomplish, the innocent young eyes and clinging baby fingers effected within a month of her nephew's birth. If Kirke went to Hamilton she would follow, she promised, and early December saw her domesticated in the Fordham household.

"I wish Orrin Wyllys and his wife were not coming this evening!" said Jessie, confidentially, to her sister, as they were arraying the boy for the grand occasion.

Eunice looked in no way surprised at

the impetuous exclamation, albeit it was the first avowal of dislike of Roy's relative she had ever heard from Jessie's lips.

"It would not have been expedient to omit them from your list of invitations, my dear!" she returned, with her slow, bright smile. "For Roy's sake, you must disguise your antipathy."

"Antipathy isn't too strong a word, Euna! You cannot understand what reason I have to distrust that man! To despise both himself and his wife! And the debut of papa's boy ought to be all brightness to mamma!" suspending the process of the toilette to strangle him with caresses.

"He cannot hurt you now, love. Even poisonous breath soon passes from a feebly tempered steel."

The look and tone silenced the other. Eunice's insight of the tempter's true character was deeper than she imagined. Even she never dreamed how, and at what cost, the knowledge was Jessie's.

Miss Kirke was an attractive feature of the assembly that night. Many thought her handsomer than her more lively sister. There was not one present who would not have ridiculed the idea of a comparison between her classic beauty and Mrs. Wyllys' shrewish physiognomy. Once, the two ladies talked together for five minutes, near the center of the front parlor, the light from the chandelier streaming on both. Eunice was dressed with her usual just taste, in a lusterless mourning silk, a tiny illusion ruff enhancing the fairness of neck and face, her abundant hair arranged simply without ornament. She possessed the rare accomplishment of standing still without stiffness, and no nervous play of fingers or features marred the exquisite repose of her bearing as she listened to or replied to her companion.

Hester was in the full glory of brocade, diamonds, and point lace, with French flowers twisted in her pale tresses, and trailing brambles down her back. She fidgeted incessantly; her skin was muddy with billows and discontent; she perked her faint eyebrows into a frown every minute; her laugh was forced, and the viscid tones had a twang of pain or ill-humor. She was getting very tired of keeping up the appearance of conjugal felicity with so little assistance from her lord, growing bitterly conscious of the motives that had impelled him to the uncongenial marriage, and disposed to eye jealously every woman to whom he paid the most trifling attention.

"I suppose you are baby-mad, like the rest," she replied, pulling vigorously at the golden chain of her bouquet-holder. "I am in a deplorable minority here tonight. Christening parties are always a bore to me. I am so sincere, you know, so apt to say what I think, that I can never go into raptures over the little monkeys, as everybody else does. I presume, now, that it is considered rather a nice child—if there is such a thing—isn't it?"

"We think him a noble little fellow; but we do not require the rest of the world to agree with us," replied Eunice, with unruffled politeness.

"I detest children! Just perfectly abominable babies! I wouldn't have one for a kingdom. And Orrin loves his own case too much to want them. I am a awful hypocrite, Miss Kirke. You were very wise not to get married. He can't abide children"—raising her voice—"although he is making a fool of himself over the bundle of lace, lawn, and flannel, yonder."

Enraged, inwardly provoked at the irreverent and elegant description of the royal cherub, could yet respond to the ill-judged remark with apparent composure.

"He does it from a sense of duty, or a desire to please, probably."

She followed the direction of the wife's scornful eyes.

(To be continued.)

BALLOONIST BEAT DEATH.

Jackson, Mich., Aug. 7.—Jesse Searies, of this city, made a balloon ascension and parachute drop into Pleasant Lake. He went down like a shot, but by the time he came up there was a boat so near that he was picked up. Searies had foreseen the likelihood of the wind's blowing him over the water, and had a boat ready. If the balloonist at the travelers' picnic at Coldwater the other day had taken these precautions he would not have lost his life.

BRITISH OFFICERS HONORED.

Put-in-Bay Island, Aug. 7.—The eight historic cannon which have recently been mounted in the park have been named. They are arranged about the historic "Perry willow," which has been the only monument to the brave American and British seamen buried under it. Seven of these cannon are named after Lieut. Garland, Capt. Fannis, Lieut. Stokes and Commodore Barclay, of the British navy, and Lieut. Brooks, Midshipman Lund and Midshipman Clark, Americans, who died in the battle of Lake Erie. The eighth cannon is named after Commodore Perry.

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GOOD CHANCE FOR A. J. BALFOUR

If He Will Swear Never to Play
Golf on Sunday.

Another Reason Given for M. Delcassee's
Visit to the Russian Capital.

London, Aug. 5.—An old lady has written to Mr. Arthur J. Balfour, the first lord of the treasury and government leader in the House of Commons, who is an enthusiastic golf player, offering him a handsome allowance, payable quarterly, if he will swear never to play golf on Sunday.

UNCLE SAM IN EUROPE.
Whatever fanciful reasons are offered for the visit of the French minister of foreign affairs, M. Delcassee, to St. Petersburg, it is safe to assume it has reference to the present unsettled condition of European politics. The appearance of the United States as a world-power is primarily responsible for this disturbance, and there are repeated signs of

LATENT FRICTION
between Germany and the United States, the latest being Admiral Dewey's alleged warlike statements, which give European statesmen cause for uneasiness, and are regarded as the motive for Emperor William's overtures for a rapprochement with France. The latter is still smarting under the humiliation of the Fashoda affair, and is inclined to meet Emperor William, if once convinced that the Russian alliance has no real value.

THE PRIMARY OBJECT OF M. DELCASSEE,
therefore, is to get public evidence that the alliance holds good, by persuading the czar to visit the Paris Exposition of 1900, and also by personal contact with the Russian court and statesmen, to ascertain to what extent the alliance may be relied upon.

FOR PEACE.
The visit of Herr Fischer, the prominent Orange Free State representative, to Pretoria, is regarded hopefully. His influence is expected to lead President Kruger to accept the proposal of the British secretary of state for the colonies, for a joint inquiry into the effect of the franchise bill, will have upon the uitlanders.

NO HOLIDAY.
The young Duke of Albany, a shy, delicate boy, was recently induced by some of the enterprising fellow-Britons of his own age, to ask the Queen to accept an extra week's holidays in honor of his impending departure for Germany, where he is to commence his education as heir to the grand duchy of Coburg. Her Majesty made the request to the governors of Eton, who, however, declined.

George Henry Boughton's admirable picture, "When the Dead Leaves Fall," has just been purchased by King Humbert, for the international exhibition at Venice. It will eventually be placed in the municipal gallery at Rome.

SKYLARKING IN A SKIFF

Five Persons Drowned in Returning
From a Pleasure Resort—Suicide
at Winnipeg.

Baltimore, Aug. 7.—Five persons were drowned early Saturday morning by the capsizing of a small rowboat in the northwest branch of the Patapsco River near this city. Their names are Andrew Deems, William J. Lyman, James Welsh, Edward Garry, Mrs. Hoover.

The party was returning from a day's outing at a pleasure resort, and from the statements of Mrs. Deems, the only survivor, were skylarking in the skiff when it capsized. All went into the water, and appear to have sunk immediately, except Mrs. Deems, who was rescued by a policeman, who swam out to the boat and assisted her to land. The woman's husband and sister were among those drowned. The bodies have been recovered.

SUICIDE AT WINNIPEG.

Winnipeg, Man., Aug. 7.—The body of a young man named Walter Tarry, aged about 25, was found on the river bank Friday. It looks like a clear case of suicide, as a bottle half-full of strychnine, and a tin can from which he drank the poison after mixing it with water, were found by him. He was dressed very shabbily, and nothing is known as to his antecedents.

FLOATING IN THE BAY.

Owen Sound, Aug. 7.—The body of Matthew Black, reported some days ago as missing from his home in Weston, near Toronto, was found floating in the bay here Saturday morning. Black arrived in Owen Sound on Monday, and stopped at the Pacific Hotel over night. He gave his name as Black, but did not register.

PELL OFF A FREIGHT.

Kingston, Aug. 7.—John Connors, aged 40 years, of Toronto, fell off a G. T. R. freight train at the city depot on Saturday, and one of his legs was crushed so badly that it will have to be amputated. He and a younger brother, Michael, had been working at Cardinal Canal, and started for home. At Belleville they jumped on a freight and it brought them here. The pair had money but preferred the blind-baggage to the passenger car.

LADY AND HER HORSE DROWNED.

South Manchester, Conn., Aug. 6.—Mrs. E. H. Coburn, of New York, who was spending the summer here at the home of her son, Hewitt Coburn, was drowned in the reservoir on Friday. Mrs. Coburn and a Miss Halstead started out for an early morning drive, and when near the lake Miss Halstead alighted and walked in front of the horse. The animal took fright and backed into the lake. Both Mrs. Coburn and the horse were drowned. Mrs. Coburn was 65 years of age.

Detroit, Aug. 7.—Thomas R. Ryan, of 258 Harrison avenue, this city, was killed by a Michigan Central freight train in Toledo Friday morning. He was a brakeman on the road, and while he was switching cars in the yard, a foot caught in the frog, and he was instantly killed by a passing train. He was married and had a child. He was 25 years old.

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A RULER FOR THE SAMOANS

White Governor Will Be Ap-
pointed by the Powers.

Proposition Meets Approval of the
People—Delegations From Each
Faction Sign the Agreement.

San Francisco, Aug. 7.—The steamer Hong Kong Maru brings the following advices from Honolulu under date of July 29:

The United States steamer Badger, bearing two of the three Samoan commissioners, arrived at this port Wednesday afternoon, July 26, eight days from Apia, on her way to San Francisco. On board are Hon. Bartlett Trapp, United States commissioner, and Baron von Sternberg, representative of Germany; Mr. C. M. E. Elliot, commissioner for Great Britain, sailed by way of New Zealand and Australia for London to report directly to his government. The latter days of the commission's stay in Samoa were devoted to evolving a political organism that would be satisfactory to all parties concerned under the tripartite treaty. The scheme was adopted. The members of the commission decline to state its particulars until it has been referred to their respective governments, but they give out that Samoa will in future be ruled by a white governor appointed by the three powers, much as the chief justice is at present. There will be a native council of legislators, but the governor will have the veto power, and the chief justice will be the final authority in the land, from whom there will be no appeal. This arrangement met the approval of the Samoans. The day before the commission sailed, delegations of thirteen men from each faction met on the Badger and signed the articles, thus officially approving the arrangements in the names of their respective chiefs, Matua and Malua. When the commission sailed all was quiet, and seemed likely to remain so.

Residents of Samoa have filed with the commissioners claims aggregating \$40,000 for property destroyed during the recent temporary occupation of Mulinu by American and British sailors. The largest claim is from the Catholic Marist mission, \$22,000, and is for the looting of the premises by natives upon instructions, it is said, of the British commander. Another is from a German firm, \$19,000, for much the same reasons. Other claims are from settlers, whose property was damaged in various ways.

J. F. Hackfeld, for the past five years consul-general in the Hawaiian Islands for Austro-Hungary, has resigned that position. Mr. Hackfeld is interested in the Oahu plantation, which employ a number of Galician laborers, subjects of Austria. Some time ago a number of these laborers refused to work according to their contracts, and were arrested and tried, convicted and sent to jail upon instructions, it is said, of the British commander. Another is from a German firm, \$19,000, for much the same reasons. Other claims are from settlers, whose property was damaged in various ways.

The heart of a vegetarian beats, on an average, 58 to the minute; that of the meat-eater 72. This represents a difference of 20,000 beats in 24 hours. A Mexican has made a combination sword and revolver with the cylinder and trigger in the hilt of the sword and the revolver barrel pointing down the sword's blade.

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