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Mrs. Trent and Theodora had been, from time immemorial, invited regularly to Lady Somerson's balls, as country neighbors of Sir Philip; but on this occasion Mrs. Trent had written her reply from Deergrove, regretting that she and her daughter were not likely to be in town on that date. So Lady Somerson, with a sigh that sounded laden with relief, had given up all expectation of their society; and, forgetting that the note had been so worded as to leave the invitation open, had overlooked their possible presence until their names were thus suddenly

Of course she did not utter a word of surprise on seeing these guests, but she did remark quietly to her husband that she could not understand why Mrs. Trent and her daughter should come up to London so suddenly, and that she did not like what she could not understand. Sir Philip laughed a little over he

only observing that it was rare to find women doing what one could understand. "No, I do not like it," reiterated his lady, evidently puzzled. "And I am vexed, too, that Mr. Keith is not come. I suppose it is too late to expect him

Sir Philip laughed again. "Of course he will come, for he promised. But why are you so covetous? You have plenty of young men here now, wealthy, young and mar-

riageable. There is the Duke of Hartreigh. What more can you wish?" "I wish for Mr. Keith." The host and hostess separated then, she could not be overheard.

was a surprise, Hervey," she said. "Had you known they were in Lon-"Had not the faintest idea," returned Hervey, raising his fair eyebrows. "Only last night I left them at Deer-

grove."
"Indeed!" Lady Somerson said no more, and to Hervey the word-and her ladyship's glance-were totally devoid of expres-

"They telegraphed for me as soon as they arrived, and, of course, I was obliged to go and escort them here, though Honore told me I might come

"A disappointment," smiled Lady Somerson, "but soon over. It was all one when you reached here." "Not quite," began Hervey, and his hostess understood the insinuation, though she thought it best to ignore it, because, for the time, both he and Mrs. Trent were her own guests. She walked away with a smile, her eyes follow-

ing his fretful gaze. Honore Craven, whose beauty, matchless among many beautiful and graceful forms, her dress unexcelled in its fairy elegance, though no color relieved it, sat in a perfect crowd of solicitous cavallers, foremost among whom was the young duke, on whom the hopes of so many mothers and daughters

were fixed. 'The girl enjoys it," mused Lady Somerson, the smile still on her lips; "and it is but natural to her girlhood that she should. Yet in this adulation, constantly reminded as she is of her surpassing beauty and her marvelous wealth, she is just the girl she was in returned with angry swiftness. her guardian's home; always gentle, "Do you notice, Mr. Keith"—she askand obedient, and unselfish; always bright, and perhaps a little saucy. Yet even now I can see that she has not reached her height of happiness. Yes, though she is the same girl I loved years ago in her lonely orphanage, she has grown years beyond me now, and I feel as if her life must hold many a pain I could not comprehend: but i

Captain Trent had kept beside his hostess, and his face brightened with the realization of his hope when she paused in the coterie surrounding Honore, and the girl joined her with

"Listen! what a valse!" cried the hostess, presently, with a mischievous glance at Hervey, who was making a strenuous but futile effort to exhibit himself as a shining light in the jest and badinage which made the group se merry a one. "I must not forget my-self and linger here; but I shall return presently to see if you have all found

And so saying Lady Somerson glided on, to assist shy men and bashful maidens. The Duke of Hartreigh, in a

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state of sudden excitement, apparently awaking to the fact that the blissful hours were passing away, and he had not yet had one dance, pleaded with Miss Craven for the honor of her hand. Hervey came forward, more eagerly still, to claim now the fulfillment of her promise to him; and a host of other partners stood waiting for their re-fusal, that their own claims might be advanced. Pleasantly, though prompty, Honore declined his grace's arm; but his grace still hovered beside her. finding a greater charm in her proximity than any which the brilliant suite

f rooms could otherwise afford him.
"Mr. Keith!" .In the midst of his flattering nonsense, the young duke paused with a sudden surprise, which all his native courtesy failed to hide; for, when the simple name of this late guest had been announced. Honore's fare had inexplicably, yet unmistakably, changed; over its glowing brilliancy a strange, still look had fallen; her beautiful eyes had saddened, although it was only for one moment that they had left his face, and her lips had met in a quivering compression. Now, when she set aside his entreaties to dance, she did it even more quietly than before; but he felt, beyond a doubt, that this negative was ***********************

The duke stood moodily watching this late comer. He knew him well, and liked him very little, for in his presence, as in the presence of no other man, the Duke of Hartreigh felt a sensation of jealousy which was as un-usual to him as it was unpleasant. Yes, he could even be jealous of a man who looked so often, as he looked tonight, chastened in heart and soul; because he always stood, as he stood tonight, pre-eminently distinguished even in a distinguished crowd.

"Honore," entreated Captain Trent, "do give me this valse-you promised "Do not ask me, Hervey," she urged,

gently, and almost sadly. "I could not valse just now." A few of the hopeless satellites moved away to seek other partners for the dance; and Honore, turning aside where her eyes could not fall on Royden, let Hervey lead her where he would.

It would be impossible to say exactly how it happened, but as soon as Roy-den Keith and his hostess separated, he found himself beside Theodora Trent and taking her outstretched hand, anand entered into a merry ball-room conversation. Acting up to her long education, the matron gradually drifted from the discourse, leaving Theodora in her desired position. Miss Trent | draw crowds next summer." chatted for a time on frifling subjects, using all her powers of winning, for she would keep Mr. Keith beside her at any cost. But even Theodora, in all and presently Lady Somerson moved her self-conceit, knew that she dare though she might use every winning "The arrival of your aunt and cousin power she possessed. She had resigned her one faint hope for this valse with him, but still she thought she might delicately convey a hint as to

future dances. "I know no band in London so pleasant to dance to," she observed.
"Nor I," he said, his eyes absently following the gliding figures. "It surprised me to find you sitting, Miss Trent.

Theodora flushed uncomfortably. During the whole of the last season the unpleasant consciousness had been dawning upon her that she was not so thoroughly what her mother called successful in society, as she used to be. Whether the fretfulness, which in her nature was consequent on hope deferred, had more effect upon her face than she wot of; or whether fickle partners had grown a little weary of her superficial beauty and shallow remarks, or whether the halo of old Myddelton's wealth had not had something to do with her previous triumphs, was not known even to Theodora herself. The only fact certain was, that in spite of her regular features and stylish toilets, in spite of her own talent and her mother's Machiavelian skill, she was not unfrequently observed sitting moodily aside now, while plainer girls took her old place in the

dances she was so fond of. "I reserved this one," she answered, with her old disregard for truth. "I shall have quite sufficient later on to-

"Doubtless," said Royden, quietly. He was watching a distant group, and his eyes were grave and intent. Theodora's followed them, and then

ed the question in a soft, deliberate tone, looking into his face with a smile -"how my cousin has been spoiled by her extraordinary acquisition of old Myddelton's money? I remember her quite a nice, unaffected girl when she lived at the Larches, and had only forty pounds a year of her own. Indeed, I grew quite fond of her then, will hold joys, too-joys, too, if God and asked her to come to our house-as "The first time I met Miss Craven was at your house. I recollect it per-

Theodora glanced furtively up into Royden's quiet face. His eyes were still on the distant group, and the easy tone it was impossible to read. [To be Continued.]

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Stratford Curlers Won in a Friendly

Match With St. Marys.

Grand Bonspiel in Detroit - Hockey at Berlin and Stratford-Other Sporting Matters.

CURLING.

A GRAND BONSPIEL. The Detroit bonspiel will take place in Detroit, commencing on Tuesday, Jan. 11. Two rinks each from Windsor, Grand Rapids, Embro, Sarnia, Preston, Forest, St. Marys, Forest City, London, London Curling Club, Ridge-town, Stratford, Thamesville, Petrolia, Chatham, Bay City, Guelph and Detroit are already on the list. The trophies to be competed for are the Walker, a solid silver cup valued at \$250, and the Russell House, valued at \$175. Besides, there are 20 gold medals for the non-winners of the trophies. STRATFORD WON.

Stratford, Ont., Jan. 7 .- A friendly game played here between St. Marvs and Stratford curlers resulted in favor of Stratford by 10 shots, the score being: St. Marys, 40; Stratford, 50. WINDSOR'S NEW RINK.

Windsor, Ont., Jan. 7 .- The new curling rink here was formally opened on Wednesday night by Mayor Davis and Mrs. Chander Walker, about 500 persons being present. The Detroit curling club members were guests of the Vindsor club. The four Detroit and Windsor rinks played, the result being: Windsor, 34; Detroit, 49. BASEBALL

THE ST. THOMAS CLUB. The St. Thomas Times says: "The baseball cranks are on the ragged edge just now to know whether the directors of the baseball association intend to enter the International League. A number of the directors are in favor swering the many questions which of doing so, while others are opposed flowed in succession from her smiling to the idea. . . . There is not a lips. Mrs. Trent pointed with her fan shadow of doubt but that a large numaffably to a vacant seat beside her, and ber of season books could be disposed Royden, in his easy courtesy, took it, of if St. Thomas enters the league. A move should be made at once if the team proposes to enter. One thing is certain, teams like Windsor, Stratford, etc., that played here last year won't

HOCKEY. BERLIN VS. WATERLOO. Berlin, Ont., Jan. 7 .- Berlin and Waterloo faced each other last night for aside to speak to Captain Trent, where | not hope to keep him so for long, | the first time this season in a hockey match, which resulted in a score of 6 to 4 in favor of Berlin. The rink was literally packed.

STRATFORD VS. SEAFORTH. Stratford, Ont., Jan. 7 .- The hockey season was ushered in here last night by an exhibition with the Seaforth seniors. The game resulted in a victory for the home team by 5 goals to 1. THE TURF.

Hereafter the Cincinnati tracks will charge an admission fee of 50 cents in-The entries for the Coney Island Futurity for 1900 have closed. The stake is expected to be worth \$40,000. John J. McCafferty paid \$8,600 for Requital at auction last fall, and now the suspicion is abroad that he bought Tommy Burns, the clever lightweight

jockey now riding in New Orleans, has an offer of \$10,000 to ride in England next season for the Lorillard-Beresford Ormonde, the unbeaten English stalion, cost \$150,000, but has been a dis-

mal failure as a sire. He now has five weanlings in California that are looked upon to regain some of his lost pres-

BASEBALL. President Young advised Tony Mulane to continue as a pitcher in preference to tempting fortune as an umpire. Arthur Irwin says that Rochester will take Scranton's place in the East-ern League, and that Worcester will succeed Wilkesbarre.

LIVING OR DEAD?

Suit for Insurance Over a Man Who Long Ago Disappeared. Kingston, Jan. 7 .- Relatives of the late Alxeander Sutherland, shoe mer-chant, have filed a claim against Court Frontenac, No. 59, I. O. F., for \$3,000, being the amount of insurance held by that order on the life of A. J. Sutherland. His relatives claim he is

dead, and the order is making searching inquiries to substantiate the claim. The last heard of him was in 1888. On the 12th of September of that year he left Hamburg, Germany, for New York on the ship Theodore.

RICH IN GOLD.

Labrador's Yeilow Metal Deposits Said to Equal Those of the Klondike. Halifax, N. S., Jan. 7 .- Representa-

ives of a Canadian and American company who visited Labrador for the purose of erecting sawmills report that that country contains deposits of gold of great richness and is destined to beome a great mining country. There exists strong evidence that gold s to be obtained in quantities equaled only by the deposits of the Klondike. In fact, it is asserted that the deposits

in Labrador are on the same range as those on the Klondike. Preliminary arrangements for a gold seeking expedition, which is to start by vessel in the spring, have already been

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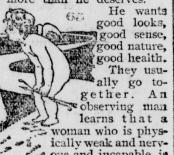
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