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Vera's Love Affair

CHAPTER I.

With what a heavy and retarding weight

Does expectation load the wing of time.

Below, a great broad stretch of ocean, calm as death, slumbering placidly beneath the sun's hot rays; above, a sky of palest azure, decked here and there by dainty masses of soft fleecy clouds; and, far inland, a background of high hills, clothed with a tender foliage, a very baby land, just bursting into the fuller life.

The whole air is gladdened by the melody of many birds, and the wild perfume of honeysuckle mixed with thyme enriches the breeze. Towards the west the trees give way a little, letting a road be seen, that like a straight, pale ribbon runs between the greenery for the space of quite a mile or so, and then reaches the small fishing village, where the simple folk of glowing Dextley toil from one year's end to the other—the men gathering in their harvest from the treacherous sea, the women gathering their harvest, too; some in careless joy, some in ceaseless labor, some, alas! in cruel weeping, because of the heavy load which once back to the town."

Along the white road, that gleams thirstily in the distance, a carriage is crawling with quite an aggravating slowness. An antiquated vehicle of a type now almost unknown, but which once, beyond doubt, "cost money." At this particular stage of its existence the leather part of it is so withered and shrunk as to leave open to conjecture the idea that it ever was leather at all; and the paint is so knocked off in many, in most places, that it is an act of courtesy in the beholder to refrain from allusion to it; whilst, as for the crest, naught is left of it, save the wing and the beak of some bird unknown.

Two horses, skinny, melancholy-looking brutes, who appear to have reached the last degree of decrepitude, are attached to this ancient coach. But demoralized as they are by age and famine, and an unexpected journey, they refuse any longer to respond to the voice or whip of the elderly person as gaunt and forsaken as themselves who every now and then, with a cracked tone, implores them to "come on," or "go on," as occasion demands. The carriage being an open one, enter the people, who are all of the village, to see without undue doubt that the occupants of it are two men, both young, both singularly alike, though in distinctly different styles. A stranger, indeed, would probably be quicker to note the resemblance between the two and accustomed to watch the play of feature from day to day—a knowledge that somehow spoils most delicate likenesses. The younger girl, now leaning forward, with a little frown upon her face, that is born rather of amusement than annoyance, yet partakes of both, is of fairer skin and brighter hair than her sister, whose eyes are of a dark gray, rather than blue, and whose hair is nut-brown, with a tinge of red running through it.

"It is charming!" says the younger girl, with a little quiver in her hand towards the sweeping bay, and the awakening trees, and the other glories of the landscape. "All charming, far better than I do not think of hope for; and yet my mind misgives me."

She turns a brilliant glance on her sister, full of terrible insinuations, and then laughs a little. Thus animated, she is a very pretty girl, half-child, half-woman—as fresh as the morning, and with eyes like stars. Her nose is rather a saucy little affair, titling heavenwards, and her mouth, which was made for laughter, she lifts one slender black-gloved hand, and placing it beneath her sister's chin, turns her face towards her.

"Such a beautiful face! Very like the riant one beside it, yet unlike, too. There is a touch of sadness round the lovely lips, a mournful curve; indeed, a thoughtfulness too great for her years, is stamped on every feature. A tender, loving, yet strong soul shines through the earnest eyes, and when she smiles it is reluctantly, as if smiles all her life had been forbidden to her."

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London Jockey Gets a Holiday —Saints' Hockey Team Is To Be Chosen Tonight.

HOCKEY.

WON BY SAULT TEAM. Sault Ste. Marie, Dec. 28. — The Warkville hockey team was defeated here on Saturday night by the Sault team, by a score of 30 to 0. The visitors' work was very poor.

WELL-KNOWN HOCKEY PLAYER DEAD.

Toronto, Dec. 28. — Bert Martin, one of Toronto's best-known junior hockey players, died on Saturday after a lingering illness of nearly a year. He contracted a cold last winter, which he neglected, and it developed into pneumonia.

INSURING HOCKEY PLAYERS. The Rowing Club Stanley cup hockey team has been insured for \$2,000 a player. There was some fence-fiddling for the policies among the local insurance agents, too, which only goes to show that there is a demand for such a thing.

W.O.H.A. HAS EIGHTEEN TEAMS. Berlin, Dec. 28. — There are now five senior, eight intermediate and five junior teams in the Western Ontario Hockey Association, divided as follows:

Senior — Berlin, Waterloo, Guelph, Guelph, and London. Intermediate — Guelph, Preston, Galt, Hespeler, Ayr, Milton, Berlin and St. Catharines.

Junior — Berlin, Milton, Guelph, Hamburg and Chatham.

WILL CHOOSE TEAM TONIGHT. The St. John's O. H. A. team will practice tonight at the Princess Rink, where the team will select their players from the Woodstock intermediates will be chosen.

There will be about ten men eligible for the game, it is thought, and from them it is expected a team that will give the visitors a good run will be chosen. The practice tonight will not be a severe one, as the team wish to be in good shape to meet their opponents.

The Woodstocks will bring a good team down. They have been greatly augmented this year by the addition of McLaughlin, formerly of Victoria College. He has the word for being one of the strongest men in Western Ontario.

FIVE JOCKEYS WERE KILLED. During the year five jockeys met death on the promenade of the country, and several more were seriously injured, while a still greater number escaped unhurt. The Detroit tracks escaped without fatality in this line. The injury to Telford was one of the most serious on the Chicago track.

April 26—Jockey Earl, concussion of the brain, died. May 15—Lawrence Barry, fractured skull in fall in steeplechase at Morris Park.

May 20—Jockey McInerney, at Louisville hospital, from injuries received in fall at Churchill Downs.

Oct. 2—William Miller, killed in fall at Delmar Park.

Oct. 14—Jockey Miller, killed in fall at Brighton Beach.

Serious injuries — April 23, Redfern, collarbone broken at Aqueduct; April 28, Watson, skull fractured at Oakland; July 19, J. Reiff and H. Phillips, hurt at Harlem; Sept. 9, Heigerson, internally injured, at Belmont; Nov. 10, Wilson, hip crushed in steeplechase fall at Latonia.

SLOW TROTTER BACK NUMBER. The 2:30 trotter is no longer of the slightest use as a racing proposition. It is even on the track, and in the races, that rate of speed having long ago been superseded by the 2:20, the 2:10 and the 2:00.

A mare that has trotted in 1:58, and a gelding that has done the distance in 1:54, both performances under conditions that left no doubt as to the correctness of the timing, and with more than one two-minute trotter on hand, it is not surprising that the 2:30 speed being "standard" in any true sense of the word. With the advent of the two-minute trotter the 2:30 horse is fast becoming a non-entity in a few years, if the present interest in breeding light harness horses is maintained.

will be about as plentiful on the race track as the 2:15 variety is at the present time. So that a 2:30 trotter, confined to the performers of the year, is needed. Here is the list: Lou Dillon 1:58½, Hawthorne 2:06½, Swift 2:07, Billy 2:07, Caspary 2:07½, McKinley 2:07, Kinney 2:07, Belle Kuser 2:08, Jay McGregor 2:08, G. B. Kusevitz 2:08½, Masetti 2:08½, Mar. Wilkes 2:09, Cress, Trotter 2:08½, Baron Bell 2:09, Autothous 2:09½, Dillon Boy 2:09½, Lily Young 2:09½, Abel Onward 2:09½, Allevoy 2:09½, Dr. Strong 2:09½, Gray Gen 2:09½, Topsy 2:09½, P. Greenlander 2:09½, Roonahan 2:09½, Norrie 2:10, and Promise 2:10.

OTTO WONDERLY SUSPENDED. At Ingleside, Cal., on Sunday, Otto Wonderly, the London jockey, was suspended for a year for riding San Nicholas against Gold, Money, and throwing the later into a fence, which prevented her winning the race. When the mare was thrown Kenilworth came ahead and won the race easily. Wonderly will be permitted to ride the horses of the club on a probationary basis.

YESTERDAY'S TURF WINNERS. At New Orleans: Komombo (Cochran), 16 to 5; Trébe's Hill (Callahan), 13 to 10; Louis Kraft (Munro), 3 to 1; Dan McKenna (Munro), 9 to 5; Bon Mot (Salinger), 13 to 5.

BASEBALL. ANNUAL OF THE A. B. A. Chicago, Dec. 28. — The annual meeting of the American Baseball Association began here today. The club owners are uncommunicative in regard to their choice for a new president, who is to be elected at this meeting, but if the plans of a few leaders in the organization, do not miscarry, it is practically certain that T. P. Grillo, of Cincinnati newspaper man, will be named to succeed President Hickey, who has announced that he has resigned in his formal resignation today. The circuit will remain the same as last year, with clubs at Milwaukee, Indianapolis, Columbus, Kansas City, St. Paul and Toledo. The only change in ownership for next season will be Minneapolis, where the Griggs, of Indianapolis, having acquired control of the northern club, and sold out his interests in the Indiana club.

NEWSPAPERMAN PRESIDENT. Chicago, Dec. 28. — J. E. Grillo, the sporting editor of the Cincinnati Commercial Tribune, today was elected president of the American Association of Baseball Clubs, vice Thomas J. Hickey, resigned.

THE KING. FEATHERWEIGHTS MATCHED. Chicago, Dec. 28. — Harry Forbes, of Chicago, and Abe Attell, the California featherweight, who claims the 122-pound championship of the world, have been matched to fight ten rounds before the Indianapolis (Ind.) A. C. on Jan. 4. The men will meet at 122 pounds, ringside weight, for a purse of \$1,500. Straight rules will govern.

THE FIGHT AT FRISCO. San Francisco, Cal., Dec. 28. — Everything of a preliminary character has been settled for the fight tomorrow night between Young Corbett, of Denver, and Eddie Hanlon, of San Francisco. It was announced at Corbett's training quarters today that Corbett was down to weight, and that there was no possibility of his weighing more than 122 pounds tomorrow. Corbett is pronounced perfectly fit. There are good reports from Hanlon's camp. The selection of Grane as referee today brought out some derisive betting, and most of the money placed was at 10 to 5, with Corbett the favorite. Both men were on the road this morning doing light work, and the afternoon was devoted to gymnasium exercise. Tonight finished the training.

WESTERN. "AMERICUS" DOWNS WILEY. Baltimore, Md., Dec. 28. — "Gus" Schenlein ("Americus"), champion middleweight wrestler of Maryland, defeated "Wiley" Ruckelshaus, N. Y., in a catch-as-catch-can wrestling match tonight in this city. "Americus" gained the first fall in 1½ minutes and the second in 17 minutes.

THE OAR. ROWING DATES UNCHANGED. Toronto, Dec. 28. — President A. Claude Macdonell, Secretary S. P. Grant, Captain R. K. Barker, and F. H. Thompson, of the Canadian Association of Amateur Oarsmen, have returned from Buffalo, where they were attending the annual meeting of the Pilgrimage, of New York, J. Garfield, of Albany, and D. S. Fox, of Boston, of the National Association of Amateur Oarsmen.

The result of the conference was of mutual advantage to both organizations. Many matters were discussed, and a perfect understanding arrived at. In regard to racing dates for 1904, no change was made in the original plans. The N. A. A. O. regatta will be held at St. Louis the last week in July, and the C. A. A. O. regatta (the Canadian Henley), at St. Catharines, the first week in August.

ATHLETICS. SPORTS SERIOUSLY AFFECTED. By the death of Corp. Burnett, as a result of the Worcester explosion, and the injuries received by the Worcester brothers, sports at the Worcester track have been seriously affected. The former was a fine cricket player, and he had participated in several matches during the past season. The Worcester brothers, Dan and Dan, were at the indoor baseball team, and because of their disability it will be impossible to complete the season. Danney was the best pitcher on the team and the other two were also strong players.

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Christmas and the Trees. All the fir trees devoted to the delight of children at Christmas are insignificant in numbers when compared with those daily ground up in the pulp mills to make paper. The remedy which parish with the day on which it has passed through the printing machines, the newspaper has at last devised its ephemeral use, and in the systematic manufacture of pulp only the maturing trees are used without destroying the new crop growing up to fill their places. The indiscriminate slaughter of young evergreens at the Christmas season has already become a matter of serious concern to those who recognize the value and importance of our American forests, and now that the business has been brought to a point that many thousands of the trees are not even brought to market, but are ruthlessly burned in order to enhance the price of the remainder, some earnest protest must be entered.—Philadelphia Ledger.

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ABERDEENS HAVE OLD SEVENTH MEN

West, Lawlor and Gauthier Will Figure in London W. O. H. A. Team This Year.

The Aberdeens will have a team this year, and they are making a good way in the W. O. H. A. Practices have been commenced and with the players, seven or in the event of success could be met with.

The team will have several of the members of last year's Seventh Regiment in it. Tommy Lawlor will be in the line, and he is in his best form, as a good foundation to build any team on as far as playing goes. Then, with him will be a brother from down east, West, who was here last year, and in all probability Gauthier, the whirlwind point, who did the heavy work in the club's last year's city league players also in the team.

REVIEW OF YEAR IN BASEBALL. Sport Had a Great Season—Championship Series Was a Distinct Feature.

Baseball enjoyed a great season in 1903. The end of the war between the American and National League was productive of great good to baseball. The two big leagues operated under a provisional peace treaty during the year, and the playing season was a truce was in force between the major and minor leagues. Before the playing season was over a new national agreement was drafted and adopted, insuring a return to organized baseball throughout the entire country with the exception of the California League, which still retains its independence.

A feature of more general interest was the series of games between rival clubs of the big leagues before and after the regular season. Of the few games played in the spring between the leagues the American League won seven and lost six. In the fall series the American won twenty-nine games to twenty for their older opponents. This gave the American League a margin of ten victories for the year, and demonstrated a fact long contended by adherents of the Johnson organization, but denied by their opponents, in the death of two prominent figures, while still in the prime of life, apparently. These were "Win" Mercer, who was to have managed the Detroit club, but who committed suicide in San Francisco, and Ed Deleahanty, the famous batsman, who deserted the Washington Senators, and was afterwards learned, fell through the drawbridge over the Niagara River.

The Bones of St. Nicholas. Bari and Venice have always disputed as to which of them possesses the authentic bones of St. Nicholas, says the London Telegraph, but there would seem to be no doubt in the mind of the Russian General Bagdonovitch, who on seeing them, offered the Cathedral of Bari 1,000,000 rubles (about \$165,000) for them, with the intention of taking

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