HOW IT TURNED OUT.

BY AMY RANDOLPH.

"*I'll* teach her," said Tom—"*I'll* show her that I aint the sort of fellow to have maiden aunts interfering with my affairs!"

"But, Tom," said his sister Cecy soberly, "Aunt Aimee was in the right. It wasn't fair of you to be copying out the answers to the algebra sums from Loomis Elton's book."

"Who asked your opinion, Miss?" retorted Tom. "I suppose a fellow can have his own thoughts, eh? And I'll be even with Aunt Aimee yet; see if I don't—hateful, mean old maid!"

Meanwhile Aunt Aimee herself, serenely unconscious of the tempest of wrath she had evoked, was arranging flowers for the dinner table, singing softly to herself as she sorted out the clusters of purple heliotrope, the sprigs of scented geranium leaves, the half-open Marechal Neil rose-buds, and the white [illegible], into their various vases. She had but recently come into the control of her widowed brother's household, and the rebellious and insubordinate condition in which she had found it was a grief to her gentle soul. Nell's carelessness as to dress and regular habits, Cecy's utter disregard of rule and command, Tom's habit of "cribbing" his lessons, and little Joe's dreadful untidiness in regard to his hair and finger nails—poor Aimee feared that she never would be able entirely to eradicate these ingrained predilections. But she had resolved to try her best; and it was in following up this resolve that she had unawares won Master Tom's deepest hostility.

She was a tall, slight girl, with soft, brown hair, eyes like the velvety gloss of the pansy petal, and a delicate complexion where each passing emotion was photographed in pink and white. Captain Astley took little heed of the beauty to which he had always been accustomed To him she was "only Aimee." But others were not so blind as her brother.

"I'll be revenged on her," muttered Master Tom to himself, and he straightway took his sister Cecy into his confidence.

"You remember, Ces, don't you," said he, "that she made you stay in all the afternoon that Saturday when the Wells girls had their picnic, to mend your frock, ready for Sunday? And she took away all your chewing gum, and she makes you practise two hours every day, instead of one. Now, don't she?"

"Yes," nodded Cecy, "that's very true But she tells me nice stories, and she gave me a little sandal-wood work-box last week."

"Oh, bother the stories and the sandal-wood work boxes," said Tom. "I tell you, Ces, I'm going to pay her such a trick!"

"A trick, Tom?"

"Yes. Just look here. I've written her a red-hot love-letter."

"But you can't write a love-letter to your own aunt, Tom," pleaded troubled Cecy.

Tom chuckled.

"It's from Mr Salvius," said he. "Do you suppose I haven't found out that Mr Salvius admires her, and that she likes him? Well, I found a letter of his to papa about some army business the other day. And see! I've imitated his writing exactly. *She* never'll know the difference."

"Oh, Tom!" cried Cecy, almost carried away by the enormity of the conspiracy. "Oh, I don't see how you dared!"

"And it's all about how much he's in love with her," said Tom, dancing a sort of wild *pas-seul* about the lawn in his delight. "And asking her to be his wife. And I'm going to mail it today; and to-morrow he comes to our house to dinner, to meet that English colonel, you know, and old Mrs Jocelyn; and of course she'll believe it's all a true declaration, and what a state of things that will be! Eh, Cecy? And you and I'll be hiding somewhere to hear her accept what's never been offered her. Guess she'll meddle with my algebra sums another time. But you must promise to be as secret as the grave, Cecy. Promise!" reiterated Tom.

"Oh, I'll be secret," said Cecy, wriggling herself about with guilty rapture. For, dearly though she loved Aunt Aimee, she loved mischief better, and the plot was too tempting to be betrayed.

The letter was duly delivered. Tom and Cecy were hiding behind the portiere when the letter bag was opened immediately after breakfast. They saw the pink glow suffuse Aunt Aimee's lovely cheek as she glanced over the contents on which Tom had spent so much malicious mischief. She had seen but very little of Mr Salvius's writing, and Tom's handiwork was really a very excellent imitation. The style was, perhaps, a little abrupt; but Mr Salvius was unlike other men; and Aimee Astley's heart was full of wild, undefined rapture all that day.

"He does love me, after all!" she kept telling herself. "He loves me! he wants me to be his wife. Oh, can all this be true?"

Miss Astley dressed herself with unusual care for the little dinner party; while Master Tom turned several double somersaults on the lawn outside in the excess of his ghoulish delight.

Mr Salvius, as it chanced, was the first of all the guests to arrive. Miss Astley was sitting in the parlor, her fair face half hidden by the shadow of a blossoming orange tree which had been brought in from the greenhouse. She looked up at the sound of his step and rose, with the soft color fluttering in her face.

"Oh, Ernest!" she said; "did you really *mean* it?"

"That I loved you, Aimee?" he answered. "If you have any doubt as to my meaning, let me reiterate it again and: 'I love you!'"

And then he drew his chair very close to the low *fauteuil* on which she was sitting, and put his arm tenderly about her.

"My own!" said he. "My very own!"

Great was the amazement of Tom; confounded the mystification of Cecy, when, on coming in to dessert as usual, they saw Aunt Aimee and Mr Salvius, seated side by side, apparently the very best of friends.

"Look! look!" whispered Cecy. "Do you see the diamond ring on her engagement finger? She's engaged, Tom, as sure as you live!"

"Well! if this aint perfectly unaccountable," said Tom, grimly biting into his peach.

Somehow the "capital joke" had fallen flat to earth. There was nothing of embarrassment in Ernest Salvius's mien; nothing of mortification in the smiles that dimpled Aunt Aimee's sweet face.

After the guests were gone Captain Astley called the children around him.

"Young folks," said he, "I shan't have to engage a grim old governess for you, after all. Mr Salvius is going to take Aunt Aimee away from us. They are to be married next month, and if Cecy will be very good, she shall be a little maid of honor and carry the bride's bouquet for her."

Tom and Cecy exchanged glances once more, and at the instigation of the former Cecy followed Aunt Aimee to her room, to hazard the last question.

"Aunt Aimee," said she, "has Mr Salvius *really* proposed to you?"

"Yes, dear," answered the young lady.

"Would—would you mind telling me *how*? I should like so much to know," faltered Cecy.

"He wrote me a letter, Cecy," said the gentle bride-elect. "You'll understand all these things yourself, one day."

But neither Cecy nor Tom could fathom this mystery.

"I think there's witchcraft in it," growled Tom. "I just *do*."

But Mr Salvius never told them—nor did Miss Astley herself ever know—that he himself had chanced to be reading in the little summer house on the lawn, behind the ampelopsis vines, when the arch plot was concocted, and heard every word of it.

"The little imps!" said he to himself. "If they only knew what a deal of uncertainty and trouble they are saving me."

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Girls, Don't Try It.

We read in a paper a few days ago of the marriage of a lovely girl with a sunny disposition and a heart overflowing with love to a dissipated young fellow. She married him to reform him, she said. Girls, don't try it. A man that thinks more of liquor than he does of a sweet and amiable girl will never reform. We have seen it tried, and we have seen it fail. Stick to the good old song, girls, and never marry a man if he drinks. It's better not to have loved at all, than to marry a man who drinks. There are plenty of sober, big-hearted boys lying loose all about the country, who will be glad to "catch on" and make you good husbands.

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WHY MONDAY?

Too Much Labor is Thrown on the Week's First Working Day.

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It is not enough that the Christian in business be honest. A man may be strictly honest and yet be serving self, and self only, all the while. It is not enough that he be liberal. Men of the world can be, and often are, liberal to a most commendable degree. What then? Why, simply this; he must make his business promote the kingdom of Christ and pursue it for that purpose. If he is truly a servant of God, he holds his place in the business world with as distinct a divine call as ever put any man into the ministry, technically so called He is where he is because God has need of him in the work he requires done in the world, just as much as he has need of the preacher or priest. If he pervert his trust to selfish or worldly ends, he is an apostate just as certainly as the preacher whose supreme motive in preaching is to better his worldly fortune.

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Hear twice before you speak once.

He dances well to whom fortune pipes.

He doubles his gift who gives in time.

He fights with his own shadow.

He giveth twice that giveth in a trice.

He has a bee in his bonnet.

He has bought his noble for nine pence.

He has a bite upon his bridle.

He is a wise man who speaks little.

He is proper who hath proper conditions.

He knows not a B from a bull's foot.

He knows not a hawk from a handsaw.

He lacks most that longs most.

Help the lame dog over the stile.

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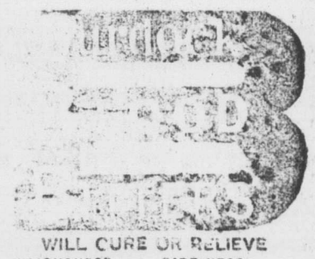

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