

Hired Wedding Garments.

(Concluded.)

She was now abreast of him, and with a feigned swagger, he lurched out, brushed roughly against her, jerked from her hand the pocket-book which, feminine-wise, she carried so, and disappeared.

"Ob!" she cried. But the street was dark, the robber was out of sight, the houses closed to appeal. "If Norman knew," she thought, "I must never tell him." It was he who let her in, panting like a frightened bird.

"It is a pity to have to hurry so," he said coldly, relighting a little at sight of her pallor. She essayed to laugh, passing on.

Beyond a touch of ceremony in manner, he noticed no further her late arrival. "Now that is very nice in him," she reflected, with warm gratitude. "He must never know about the big wayman, but I will let Schneider send me the dress without final trial on Thursday."

So these ripples would now have smoothed themselves but that the pair were to dine out on Wednesday night, and it was Norman Keith's habit to shave himself, while he wore the lather and the intent look accompanying that operation, his wife, in wrapper, came softly into the dressing room.

"Did you find that other collar button for me, dear?" he asked indistinctly. "This one won't do," she remembered with dismay that the other had been for alteration in the last pocketbook.

"Oh, I can't find it; that one must do. Norman—lightly and mistakenly, for he was again absorbed—it would be a good time for you to stay out late again when you are shaving, for you would never know."

"There is no good time for you to stay out late," she said with a slight scorch, for he said with almost stern decision: "It must not happen again."

"Must not?" flushing. "Is it the Car or only a grand duke?" "It is just your husband," coolly, and it might have been effectively but for the fact that he turned and presented a face with one cheek clear, the other white with lather.

"She burst into a little laugh. 'You will be more majestic when you have finished.' It was his turn to flush, but he completed his toilet silently, and only went into their room in time to find her, more-tense like, in pale green draperies. He held something in his hand and said quietly: 'I have been more successful than you in finding the button, and this is yours, I think.'

"My pocketbook" I completely bewildered. "How—when—why—lost—it was stolen. Oh!—a ray of comprehension coming—it was you? Can it be possible? To frighten me in such a way! I did not know it was in you to be so ungenerous, so ungentlemanly, so inhumanly."

"Stop, stop!" commandingly. "Cai va piano va sano. You have so disregarded my protests that I thought a lesson might be useful to show you the possibilities."

"They were undressed of, certainly, in your case, and I owe you a thousand thanks for the lesson, which cost me a cracking headache for a day or two." She swept him a little mocking courtesy. Her eyes shone, and a crimson spot burned on either cheek. "But we had better postpone this discussion indefinitely, or our friends may think ill breeding another of our pleasant little ways."

Pains in the Back

Are symptoms of a weak, torpid or stagnant condition of the kidneys or liver, and are a warning of an extremely hazardous condition, so important is a healthy action of these organs.

"I was taken ill with kidney trouble, and became so weak I could scarcely get around; took medicine without benefit, and finally decided to try Hood's Sarsaparilla. After the first bottle I felt much better than I continued its use, and six bottles made me a new woman. When my little girl was a baby, she could not keep anything on her stomach, and we gave her Hood's Sarsaparilla which cured her." Mrs. Thomas Lewis, Wallaceburg, Ont.

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with this difference, might have been a failure but for the host unobtrusively exerting all powers of entertainment, conversational and otherwise.

The man who came in last were full of description of scenes witnessed during an exciting hour or two about dark on Broadway. "Western steers they were," said one, "and just blind crazy with being put up in the cars and then let loose. The drivers could do nothing when they got away from them, and the police little more. To see that crowd flying here and there and not knowing where was safety, and the animals charging among them, and now and then selecting some special victims to pursue, and then hear the cries and bellowing and smashing of doors and windows, or any obstruction in their way, was very like a night-mare. I have that three or four persons were killed and several hurt. But the most serious misadventure I saw was a languid lady suddenly come to life, ranning and calling her coachman, who whipped up his horses and fled, leaving her to her fate."

"Isabel," thought her husband grimly, "did well to die with her mother, otherwise she would have had another fright coming home, and none of my contrivance."

"His guests left at midnight, but he lingered over a cigar. He had thought he heard her come in quietly an hour ago, and his resentment, still hot, prompted him to delay their meeting."

"She might better stayed all night," he muttered as he finally went. But the opened door disclosed an empty room. "Not come yet, Egbert was to bring her."

"He lit another cigar, but when 1 o'clock sounded could no longer smoke. 'I certainly will not compromise my attitude by going for her,' and straightway put on a great coat and started for Mrs. Prescott's."

The house was dark, as though all had retired. On the steps he paused. "She is safe in bed, and will smile coldly to learn that I was disquieted," then rang the bell.

"Egbert, who, more or less unconventionally draped, opened the door after some delay, stared at him. 'What's wrong? Is Isabel sick? Shall I call mother?'"

"Certainly not. Was only in for an hour or so this afternoon. Stop, give me a minute and I'll be with you. Now, then—as they stood together in the street—tell me about it."

"For answer Keith drew her little note from his pocket and handed it to her brother. 'She would have spent the evening nowhere else,' commented the latter briefly, 'for mother said she decided to return on account of the Chasing Dish, and left word for me to come and bring my violin, but I was engaged. Let us see. It was early then; she may have gone down Broadway first.' Their eyes met, the same thought stabbing them. The tormented, angry steers; there had been casualties—some fatal. 'Now,' pursued Egbert with tonic quietness, 'there's a stable near here; we can get a cab.'

"Drive to Ridge street first," ordered Keith. "When this, after some trouble, had been accomplished, a peevish voice from a window replied that no customer had stayed late. 'It is a feast day with us tomorrow; we closed long before the first star.' 'Hospital's next,' said Keith, speaking with difficulty. There were patients in several from that afternoon's accidents, but no one answering the description given. The two men drove on through the night in almost silence, sharing a mutual dread. 'Don't look so white,' said Egbert, when they came out from the last casualty ward. 'We will find her never fear.'

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"Some Good Advice for the Cold Weather. Although winter is not yet here, the days are cool and fires are needed for indoor comfort. This means that indoor conditions are not so good as they were when doors and windows were open for the admission of air at the time. In home, store and factory people are not getting so much good safe air for breathing purposes as they have been getting during all the summer months. Most people keep their homes too warm; as a rule above 70 degrees rather than below. Experts on ventilation and room temperature tell us that a temperature of 68 for people that are properly clad and who are in good health is far better than a higher temperature, say 70 or above. Another important matter is humidity. Most indoor air is too dry as well as too warm. Especially is this so during the cold weather season. It is a good plan for those who live in flats or steam-heated apartments to have evaporating kettles allotted to the radiators and kept filled with water. In houses heated with hot air furnaces the evaporating pan in the furnace should be kept filled. Diphtheria is on the increase. All

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