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These were some of Rotha's thoughts; but it would be difficult to describe half of them. The leading idea seemed to be terror at what Robert might say to her, and yet in her secret heart she rejoiced at the knowledge that he was still unchanged. She fell asleep trying to recollect the contents of his last letter, and awoke depressed and restless.

A Sunday school treat was fixed for the following day, and when the children were safe in their dormitories Rotha meant to go round to the vicarage to make the final arrangements with Mrs. Ord.

It was a lovely evening, and the setting sun streamed into the long, low room where Rotha sat among the little ones; the children had broken down in the middle of the hymn, and Rotha's sweet voice took up the refrain, and hummed it softly with a sort of weird croon, out a dolorous chorus of "We don't know it, mother," when the garden gate suddenly clicked. Fidgets, who was fast asleep, got up and limped to the door on three legs and began a furious barking, every hair bristling with excitement. Firm footsteps crunched up the garden-path, voices were heard in the little passages, the door of the mother's room opened and closed quickly.

"Run and tell the vicar I am here," said Rotha, breaking off her humming; "and, children, do not forget to get up and courtesy to him."
"May we come in, little sister?" said the vicar's cheerful voice over Joe's shoulders. "Do not let the children disturb you. No, do not come in just yet," he continued to somebody in the background. "Guess what visitor I have brought to see you, Rotha?"

"That is not hardly fair," returned Rotha, "but I will try to guess. Let me introduce myself, Austin." A firm hand blocked up the entry, a tall man, gray-haired, with a worn, handsome face. Rotha stands up, white and trembling, with the sleeping boy still in her arms—it is Robert!

"Rotha, are you surprised to see me? I did not mean to startle you like this. Her only disengaged hand is taken and pressed kindly, and then Robert replaces her in her seat. She had not spoken one word of welcome—not one, except that low-uttered "Robert!"

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but her heart is beating so that she can hardly breathe.

"That is not a very warm greeting after five years' absence," says the vicar mischievously, and Robert, gravely as before, just touches her cheek with his lips, and says quietly that little sister in the midst of her children, and that he is glad to see her looking so strong and well, and so on. All spoken in the same calm, kind manner, as though the blood that swept over Rotha's pale face did not stir every pulse within him at the thought that he had the power to stir her thus, that those burning blushes and quivering lips could not mean only that he had taken her unawares.

"I hope you do not mind my bringing him in like this?" Robert was so anxious to see you," said the vicar, trying to put a stop to this painful embarrassment. "You are so completely one of us, you know, Rotha; and Mary said she was sure you would be pleased to see him."

"I am very pleased," returned Rotha, finding her voice with difficulty. "When did you come?" lifting her eyes timidly to Robert, who was leaning against the mantelpiece watching her.

"Only an hour ago; I got off the dust of my journey, and talked to Mary and our coming round to fetch you. How well dear Mary looks, to be sure! and gray—not so gray as mine, though." And he tossed it carelessly from his forehead as he spoke. "Do you not think me very changed, Rotha?"

"Very much changed," Rotha looked at him very intently. "You look as though you had been very ill," she remarked softly. She was regaining her calmness at the sight of his, but her color still varied dangerously.

Yes, he was changed, wonderfully so; but she thought she had never seen a nobler face. His dark hair was quite iron gray, though he was hardly more than thirty-six; and his face was thinner and paler, and the forehead deeply lined. But the hard-set curve of the lips had relaxed, and the curve round the mouth was exceedingly sweet and sorrowful; only when he smiled, which he did rarely, his smile was like Gar's, "I was very near death," he returned, reading the unspoken sympathy in her good Samaritan's eyes. "I suppose if I had not been with me all over with me, Rachael cried when she received your present, Rotha. When I gave it to her, I said it was so like the little sister that Austin talks about."

He had used the vicar's title twice, but not as though he had appropriated it. Was it merely to put her at her ease with him, or to remind her that he had no hope? Somehow the name jarred on her for the first time.

"You do not find Rotha much altered, do you, Robert?" struck in the vicar, Robert's swift keen glance. "No; she is not a day older. How do you manage to preserve your youth, Rotha—you look so young? And do you always wear that little cap? Do you know, it reminds me of the day I met you first in the castle gardens? You had a cap on then, had you not?"

"No; only a lace kerchief tied over my hair," returned Rotha, with a smile. "This is our uniform, Meg's and mine." She continued hurriedly. She knew intuitively why Robert looked so grave. Would he ever forget that day when he saw her under the low apple trees, a slim creature in her black dress? "I speak to him in her own frank way to see that look of pain on his face. 'Meg will be so glad to see you, Robert.'"

"Ah, to be sure. Poor Mrs. Carruthers! I was so sorry to hear about her trouble; but you told me in one of your last letters that she has been more settled ever since. How good you often!"

"You were lonely, and I knew you would like to hear about everything," she returned beginning to get her again. "You have no idea what letters she can write," he continued, turning to his brother, who had half a dozen of the children round his neck, and was used to be like a series of pictures to think all these five years. I have never had to ask after anybody."

"We did not know you were a scribe, Rotha," returned the vicar, laughing; "but here we are keeping Mary and tea to carry you off!"

"Indeed! But I do not think I can leave just yet; I have my working dress on, and the children are not in bed, and—"

"Perhaps not," interrupted the vicar, "but Mrs. Carruthers is on her way to through. And as she has fallen for you, you must be ready to go. If you want to honor Robert by a festive attire, we will willingly escort you to Bryn; but I can assure you that that gray serge is quite as becoming in our eyes as gray silks would be." A mischievous smile which made Robert smile, and after that Rotha would have gone in gray sackcloth, if there hesitated, though for far different reasons, Robert settled the matter by lifting the drowsy Dulcimer off her lap and, taking out his watch, told her that he would wait for her just five minutes—a piece of peremptoriness which reminded her of the old Robert Ord, and brought one of her sunny smiles back in an instant.

Rotha was very quiet and kept in the background all the evening, but no one seemed to notice it. For Robert and Austin had so much to say to each other, and were so busy in discussing the former's prospects, and every one had so many things to tell him and so much to hear, that no one seemed to perceive what a silent listener Rotha

was; although now and then Robert turned to her with a quiet word of smile, as though to show her presence was by no means forgotten, he never once strove to bring her into the conversation. But more than once the uneasy conviction seized her that her silence was understood and respected. And deeply as this thoughtfulness and delicacy touched her, it made her still more conscious. Now and then she started and flushed painfully as some tone or some expression of Robert's recalled Garton vividly. She had never thought the brothers alike, but a hundred times this evening some trick or turn of Robert's voice brought him before her. Now and then she could look at him unperceived, and then she was struck afresh by the great change in him; and once or twice the thought crossed her, of what noble metal the man must have been made that the fire of suffering had so purified and strengthened him.

She had been perfectly content in her quiet corner, but she was more than ever tongue-tied and embarrassed when he walked with her to her own door. A dread of being asked with under these circumstances, was strong within her when she went out of the vicarage gate. She need not have been afraid. Robert seemed bent on putting her at her ease. Nothing could exceed his quiet gentleness. He spoke about the beauty of the night, and asked if she ever took long walks now. And he described an excursion Rufus they had got to Bryn; and then he shook hands with her and bade her good-night, as though he had been doing so every evening for the last five years.

Rotha gave up her thoughts in despair when she reached her own room. To disentangle and arrange such a hopeless confusion of ideas was next to impossible. A sense of disappointment and regret—inconstant regret—kindness were the paramount feelings, it increased her admiration and respect, but it humiliated her. He had months ago hinted at his despair. But now he was far the calmer of the two, and she herself had been taken unawares, and had betrayed her embarrassment in a hundred ways. The calmer of the two! What if she had looked out that very moment and seen the lonely figure pacing up and down the sea-wall for hours?—could she have stood in the moonlight beside Belle's grave, and leaning his hot brow against the marble cross, and could he have said, "Dearest than ever—the one face Oh, my God! to see her every day and not to win her, will be more than I can bear. I must—I will win her! Something tells me that I shall, Rotha."

The next day was that appointed for the school treat, and Rotha had as early as possible to help Mary and Aunt Eliza to pack the hampers. But, started for Bryn, where he would probably be detained the greater part of the morning.

Rotha felt a chill of disappointment, for she had quite made up her mind to be her old self with him today. It relieved her, therefore, and sent quite a glow of satisfaction to her heart, when the vicar casually remarked to Aunt Eliza that she would certainly have her wish to see Robert gratified that very afternoon, for he had promised him faithfully to take the four o'clock train from Blackscar, and to be present at the distribution of buns; and as he always kept his word, she might be certain that he would make his appearance at the time specified.

Rotha said nothing, but she worked with redoubled zeal, and at the appointed hour joined the phalanx of teachers and children on the Blackscar platform, looking singularly appropriate to the occasion in her pretty spring dress—a soft blue—with her white chip hat. Dress always set off Rotha, but she never looked prettier than she did today, as Mary remarked to the vicar and to Aunt Eliza about half a dozen times.

There was nothing worth recording in the afternoon itself. As in most other school treats, the children were wild with pleasure, and ran all over the glens like a herd of young colts. Rotha strove once or twice in quiet moments, to bring back the sweet and mournful associations of the place, but for once so glorious, the sunshine so bright, the play of light and shade so delicious in river ran underneath so brimming over with ripples and tiny gurgles of joy, the knots of eager rosy faces and warm depths, that a less happy nature than Rotha's must have expanded to the cheering influences; and more than one bright thought kept her pulses beating for many a long year had not heard up and down the shady walks, or sat on one of the tiny lawns keeping watch about five o'clock, when the children were ranged in orderly files on one of the green lawns, and the vicar was often wandered to the little white gate in the hope of seeing a tall figure advancing from the road; but tea was over and the children scattered to their games again, and still no Robert made his appearance.

To Be Continued.

MAD DOGS IN PLENTY

Belgian District Again Acquires Notoriety for Hydrophobia.

Brussels, May 26.—A district near Hasselt, called Le Hesbaye, has acquired an unenviable notoriety for a succession of mad dogs. For four years mune or another of this part of Hainaut. Last year a whole family of farmers was sent from Avenne to hospital at Brussels suffering from hydrophobia.

News comes now that dogs with rabies are again infesting the neighborhood, and that some of them have been killed at Omal and Ligny. The municipal order is in force, but conditions are so serious that the people talk of petitioning the Government to take drastic measures.

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POLICE END ROMANCE

Supposed Millionaire Arrested for Fraud on Eve of Wedding.

Rome, May 26.—The arrangements for the marriage of Mile. Carmen Meli, prima donna at the Constanzi Theater, to Humbert Carliola, a supposed South American millionaire, were canceled yesterday, when the police arrested the latter on numerous charges of fraud. Detectives called at Mile. Meli's residence while her lover was there, and asserted that he is not a millionaire, but a daring and clever criminal. The prima donna is prostrate with grief and cannot fulfill her professional engagements.

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