WASTED TIME

one, in the dark and silent night, With the heavy thoughts of a vanish hen evil deeds come back to sight, And good deeds rise with a welcome

lone, with the spectres of the past, That come with the old year's dying chime here glooms one shadow dark and vast oms one shadow dar dow of wasted time.

nces of happiness cast sway, portunities never sought,

Opportunities never song-ood resolves, that every day Have died in the imp he slow advance and the backward step, In the rugged path we have striven to clim fow they furrow the brow and pale the lips, When we talk with wasted time. e and the backward step

What are we now? ah! what had we been? Had we hoarded time with the miser's gold, , our honest meed to win, gh the summer's heat and the winter

ing from naught that the world would do Pearing naught but the touch of crime; aboring, struggling, all seasons through; And knowing no wasted time.

The years that pass, come not again,
The things that die no life renew.
But e'en from the rust of times cankering of
This golden truth is glimmering through;
That to him who learns from errors past, I
And turns away with strength sublime. nd makes each year outdo the last, There is no wasted time.

THE WRONG MAN

BY THE HON. MRS. A. MONTGOMERY, Author of "Mine Own Familiar Friend."

CHAPTER XII .- (CONTINUED.)

Madeline began to feel that, though act hand, what was she to do? She could not fight with her mother over every article of furniture and every picture in the house. She had yielded point after point, till gradually everthing that was valuable was going from her. It was only the day before that Madame Vonderblane had sent Camille from the drawing-room to her boudoir, to look for a missing piece of work. In hunting for it, Camille had to open a drawer in her mother's writing-table, and, to her surprise, had found a number of small'slips of paper, written upon in her mother's hand to this effect: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me by the Baron in 18—.' Another: This was given to me and the will be an different the father's death.' which he had held with her husband. In your mother does she likes.'

Which he had held with her husband. In the very moment when the conversation about the six family portraits had taken place the succeeding day. Camille had found the key to the mystery. She had heard her mother desire her maid was passed in the reality of the head for much beyond a piece of fance work. As.

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she was at heart anxious to gratify her mother to the utmost extent of her power, out of her power to obtain any redress. Those little labels of her mother's might be Camille herself,

promise had been ratified by her make good her claims, had used express

which he has distinctly left to me, yet beyond a certain limit I should not think it
right to act in a way which would nultihis intentions. I am only too happy you
should consider as belonging to yourself
such things as you have been in the habit of
appropriating to your personal use; but
when it comes to a question of the family
portraits—and, I may add, all the other pic
tures in the house, most of which are very
valuable—I could not consent to their being
diverted from the place my father evidently
intended them to occupy. No doubt he felt
I should marry—probably he hoped I should
have children, and he wished those pictures

spectful towards her unbappy mother. It
would have taken a great deal to create
more share than she could possibly
sympathy with Camille, and from taking
more share than she could possibly
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mother's boudoir, work in hand, she had bidden to appear again that day. She left mother.' drawn towards her a remarkably beautiful small table, of very fine marquetry, and in lonely and very friendless in the midst of

on a table beyond the chair, where her mother was sitting, was the cup of paste, and the brush all ready to go round the thouse, and apply more of those lying little labeis to every valuable init, including the six family portaits.

The six family portaits and everything where a lit was vividity put before her—her youth, the arduousness of the task, the danger from the arduousness of the task, the danger from contagious disease, the anxiety her absence would cause her mother, even if her contains agitated and sleepless night.

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Camille had her own reasons for know-think you can do it without running counter the arduousness of the task, the danger from contagious disease, the anxiety her absence would cause her mother, even if her contains agit the above to be sold cheap for cash.

Camille was obliged to be content with this arduousness of the task, the danger from contagious disease, the anxiety her absence would cause her mother, even if her contains agit the advocation of the provided particles and p

Camille had felt quite sick with a vague merely been a particular longing to possess The next day she went to her mother's ing that almost anything which took her that one table which had led to the paste room, to inquire after her health, but was away from home at that moment would horror. She began to perceive that, unless something was done to put an end to this something was done to put an end to this was through the suits of rooms described from Madame Vonderblans, to the effect again, but the first again that one table which and the labels. She rose immediately and met at the door by her maid with a message meet with her mother's approval. It was went through the suits of rooms described from Madame Vonderblans, to the effect again, to the effect again, to the effect again. something was done to put an end to this system, it would soon be too late. Though she was at heart anxious to gratify her valuable objets d'art, or pieces of furniture. siderable agitation, she begged Camille the gay, though we cannot quite call her the

would be utterly out of the question, happen by her mother to her in conversation; and her to understand that she would not be tor was anxious to settle everything about her what might.

She was also influenced by another reflection. It might be right for her to put up with loped her mother would keep what she with regard to the few things that Madame of pretended opposition, tears, and hysterics any amount of injustice from her mother, and the might easily resign herself to the con.

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The many cases she felt that any allusion to the Camille went to look at those articles of ordicted. She had assured Madame Beckosequences. But, on the other hand, and in removal of the thing in question out of the namental furniture on which she had seen ven's delegate that she would not, of course, the first place, her father's wishes were ab. house would have roused her at once to a the labels only she day before. With a few leave home without her mother's consent;

father. From that hour, when she had felt firmation of all her worst fears, she was in herself to be selemnly afflanced to him, she a fever of anxiety and excitement, outraged been down stairs that day. Yes, Madame Could be more vehement than the opposition had to consider his interests as mixed up by her mother's detestable conduct, and yet had coma down stairs with Monsieur Bonne-she had to encounter; but it soon subsided with her own. The valuables in the house, feeling the greatest reluctance to oppose chose, and had afterwards retired to her and from the moment of giving her daughwith her own. The valuables in the nouse, like, the rest of her fortune, were hers actually, but his prospectively. Moreover, made and something now to stop her, mingled with the apprehensions that, unless she did something now to stop her, made and another nervous attack, and had sanother nervou ons and that some accident might then reveal admitted. of too serious a nature to be allowed to pass to her friends and relations what had been Several days passed, and Madame Von-sable to Madame Vonderblanc than this; if ged. She had said that her hus-She felt she must have advice on the sub- fused to admit her daughter.

unchallenged. She had said that her husband had made his will when notigeosections of what he was doing, and under the influence of others. She knew very well that what the said was false, and probably and the search of the mother's calling for her again that say. The evening was no fear of her mother's calling for her again that say. The evening was no calculating upon the amount of tensority with which she might after to the assertion. She was evidently uncertupalous, and that is the surest foundation for an amount of table swearing.

A girll scenar to open at Camille's feet, and the field against at the territale position in which when the left and also belt against at the territale position in which when the field and also belt against at the territale position in which when the field and the could give her five minutes for go of fine was first to go on timehecked in her dishonest claims, and allow everything to go by default. While these thought to see him on a master or the positions, of the could give her five minutes for go of the faulty prevale have been.

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When arrived at the house she sent her position, in a sailfully prevale and half on the state of the sail of the sail was single or an answered. As also may be not the sail of the sail was a perfect god-send—so capable of universal appearance of weather than an answered to sail the sail and allow everything to go one of the faulty pictures, when a constitution of the sail was a perfect god-send—so capable to the sail of the sail was a perfect god-send—so capable to the sail of the sail of the sail than an administry organ, renews an adding to that he could be accorded be a condition on the could be a condition on the sail that the could be a condition on the sail that the could be a condition on the sail that could be a condition on the sail that the could be accorded being and and the sail that the could be accorded being on

do so, which I do not. And though, of could do, what she ought to do; and she course, it is in one sense in my power to desired to arrive at this knowledge without had so much coveted, and for the future she it never for a second occurred to her that make you a present of these things saying a word which might seem disrewhich he has distinctly left to me, yet bespeciful towards her unhappy mother. It
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have children, and he wished those pictures any sentiment of herror and disgust until he made himself master of the whole case.

But very wisely forbore giving expression to any sentiment, and from which her own apartment, and from which he made himself master of the whole case.

Camille was excluded. The poor girl's But, when I tell you, Camille, that he never meant it so—that he told me many tright and closed the interview. By de-painful and more awkward; while her in answer to her question of whether he had years ago that these pictures would always gress he gained from her a statement of all mother's conduct began to be publicly received it, he replied: 'Certainly; and be mine—when I assure you of this, bow her mother's demands, an account of the spoken of in a manner very distressing to did not you get mine, entreating you not to

pretend he ever repeated. But it is intense- chose alluded to the incident. He assured temporary escape from the misery of her me in any way? Your words are an enigma ly painful, mother, to have this discussion her she done quite right in telling him all, home. with you, and I think it would be better to and that he had now only to request she Madeline began to feel that, though acting from the best motives, she was showing call in a third person. To-morrow I will would leave the matter entirely in his see Monsieur Bonnechose. As my father's hands, and without making any reference

habit of using her still pretty white hands for much beyond a piece of fancy work. As, however, Camille was ordered out of her presence before it had reached this stage, and forbacter bonders bender work in hand, she had be had bidden to appear again that day. She left that fell to her share. The Abbe Sire had the fell to her share. The Abbe Sire had before it had reached this stage, and for mother.'

small table, of very fine marquetry, and in doing so something sticky had clung to her fingers. She looked to see what it was, and found it was one of her mother's lables, on which was written; This work-table was a ction. She shrank more than words could not be sole mistress of everything for the structure of the sole mistress of everything for the structure of the sole mistress of everything for the structure of the sole mistress of everything for the sole

on which was written. This work-table was given me by my daughter. Camille, and it was dated the day previous.

As she read these ominous words, she raised her eyes to her mother, and gazed with mingled compassion and anguish at the small delicate features encased in exquisite lace, and the half-closed blue eyes, in which still lingered an almost infantine look of innocence and sweetness. And then to think that that pretty face was but a mask to cover the most sordid avarice, the most. While thus meditating on the difficulties matter, I will sanction your meeting pany her to Metz. Every reason against while thus meditating on the difficulties on a table beyond the chair, where her on a table beyond the chair, where her on a table beyond the chair, where her of the position, it struck her than a table beyond the chair, where her of the position, it struck her than a table beyond the chair, where her of the position, it struck her than a table beyond the chair, where her of the position is the position of the

Great was her surprise, not unmixed with would defer her visit until sent for. Ca- young, widow had forgotten the past, and yet she revolted at the idea of such a scheme being allowed to succeed, as if it were a righteous act; and she began to apprehend that if she did not take some step at once, it might possibly, for aught she knew, be soon been hers, or had been made over to her by

Camille herself.

Camille herself. In some instances Camille could remem.

In some instances Camille could remem. she thought that very possibly she had mented any more about the pictures, and departure before speaking to her mother on

the first place, ner father's wisnes were absolutely sacred to her; and in the next, she had promised herself to Henri Le Maitre, eyes to her mother's real intentions.

Sense of her peril, and have opened her had done it? The only person she could ally accepted as a useful coadjutor, she re-By the time she had arrived at this con. well ask was her father's faithful valet, and urned home to broach the question to

To that, mother, I have only one answer she was premeditating on her family make—my father's written testament is portraits.

To that, mother, I have only one answer she was premeditating on her family it in in which she found herself. Some left Brussels. But why should my doing

CHAPTER-XIII.

trust from the dest motives, side was showing as eer dangered of weakness, which might become culpable. And yet, on the other hand, what was she to do? She could not fight with her mother over every article of the mother's whole counter.

At the time that Camille's hondertrias were pressed only surprise and enquiry. He appeared somewhat re-assured, and changing has without the consolation of receiving any letters from Henri Le Maitre. Weeks than she saw her mother's whole counter.

The words had no sooner passed her lips than she saw her mother's whole counter.

Camille grew positively alarmed.

But what will you say to my mother? accompanied her. Just at the moment

Nothing was more precious and indisper

self. Camille felt the time was come when she must make some answer, and trying to standing at the door to receive her, and the situation. But from that day she because aware that her mother had made up in a letter; but she assured him that, when situation which time only gradually developed.

The know, mother, I have no power to alter my father's will, even if I wished to do not she wanted to know what she alter and the standing at the door to receive her, and the standing at the door to receive her, and the standing at the door to receive her, and the standing at the door to receive her, and the standing at the door to receive her, and the standing at the door to receive her, and the standing at the door to receive her, and the standing at the door to receive her, and the standing at the door to receive her, and the standing at the situation. But from that day she because was that her mother had made up in a letter; but she assured him that, when time only gradually developed.

It was evident she had lost her hope of standing at the door to receive her, and the standing at the door to receive her, and the situation. But from that day she because was that her mother had made up in a letter; but she assured him that, when time only gradually developed.

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to make—my father's written testament is sacred. I cannot lay it aside in favor of some words spoken many years ago, which I never heard, and which even you do not it never heard.

He looked at her steadily for a mome without replying; but she did not flinch, At the time that Camille's howe-trials she did not blush-her countenant and indecorous conduct insupportable. Nor diers of either camp. It will be an offering

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