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Vera's Love Affair

"Who says I am frightened?" He turns upon her with a bitter scowl and a piercing glance, "why should I care whether you came or not? You have upset me, it is true. My wretched nerves, as you know, cannot stand anything additional, and your sudden entry by that ungodly way—what do you mean by calling me frightened?"

"Why, nothing," says Vera, so low as to be almost inaudible. "I was only afraid—your expression told me—I had come at an inopportune moment."

"There was nothing inopportune. This unlucky speech has raised his ire to the highest pitch. Why should I care about being disturbed, when I was hardly even occupied when I was merely idling away a dull hour by looking through my will?"

"Yours," asks Vera, innocently enough, merely asking the question because at so great a loss for anything to say. To him, however, her tone sounds like inquiry, like the outgiving of an established doubt; to him there is even a mocking disbelief in it.

"Aye, whose else?" he asks with a snarl of anger that hardly conceals his anxiety beneath; he turns and faces her like a beast at bay, and do you mean, girl? Do you doubt my word? Whose else would it be, eh? Once again he is quite unimpaired, and by a little involuntary movement, he tears the black skull-cap from his head and standing before her, noisily he shakes the dust from the cap at her with a very passion of vindictive rage. His long gray locks falling down his shoulders touch with a strange sense of unreality, "Go, leave me," he cries furiously, "and cursed be the day you ever saw my house!"

Still shaking the ghostly black skull-cap at her, he waves to her to leave him, and more unheeded than she has ever been in all her life, she retreats behind the heavy curtains and runs with all her might down the dark corridor without a sound, the steep stairway and so out into the passage and into the hall.

Once there she breathes again, the full light of the sunny day lives here, and all at once it seems to her that perhaps she has never stirred, and gone to sleep in the room, and the hateful past of an hour since through a disagreeable dream.

It is hard to kill reality, however, and her lips are still white, her eyes frightened, when Seaton coming from the library meets her.

CHAPTER XXXVII

I feel my sinews slacken'd with the fright.

"What has happened? You look pale, frightened," says he, stopping her as she would have hurried past him; "tell me what it is!"

"A mere nothing, I have been foolish to feel it so much," returns she with a faint smile. "I found myself somewhat ill, I hardly know how, in your father's private room, and—and he was angry with me."

"In his private room?" regarding her with astonishment. "How did you get there? Even I am not allowed access to it."

"I was wandering through the halls and came to a passage at the other, the western side of the house, and finding a door in it, pushed it to try and see what lay beyond. Oh, how wrong I was, how I wished I had not done so," says she, pulling herself together. "Well, the door gave way and—and—presently I found myself in your father's presence. He was terribly annoyed—and—"

"Was he rude to you?" asks the young man with a painful effort. "No, you need not answer, I can see he was. Will you let me tell you that it is the principal misery of my life to know you are miserable here?"

"No, I shall not permit you to tell me that," says she, her eyes upon the ground. To one so entirely outside your life, as I must be, as I am, I shall be able to keep my promise," says he, speaking very calmly, but with an apparent effort. "What I regret now is, to the point. What I regret now is,

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AN OMINOUS ORDER

The First British Army Corps To Be Sent to India.

London, Feb. 25. — The Manchester dispatch says a rumor is current among military officials, which is generally believed, that orders have been quietly given to the first British army corps to hold itself in readiness for departure to India within a few days.

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WALLACEBURG CLUB'S SUCCESS. Wallaceburg, Ont., Feb. 24. — Three rinks of the Wallaceburg Curling Club

CITY LEAGUE GAMES WON BY THE ABERDEENS AND ST. JOHN'S A. C.

Both Scores Were Close, and the Play Good—Aberdeens at the Head of the League.

Two games in the Senior City League series were played at the Jubilee Rink last night, the first being between the Aberdeens and the Seventh Regiment, with the Y. M. C. A. and St. John's A. C. pitted against each other in the second. The Aberdeens had things pretty much their own way. The other game was clean and fast, and afforded considerable excitement.

ABERDEENS VS. SEVENTH. During the first half of the Aberdeen-Seventh game, the play was inclined to be slow. The Aberdeens worked well, playing a good combination game and keeping the puck playing around the Seventh goal. Carrothers in goal made some good stops. But at the beginning of the second half, the Seventh awakened up and made some splendid rushes, resulting in an added goal, and making it Aberdeens 4, Seventh 2, at the finish. Balfour's work, at times, was clever, but the Aberdeens as a whole are better skaters. The teams played as follows: Aberdeens—Goal, Stevens; rover, Fleming; coverpoint, Simpson; rover, Gleason; center, Cann; right wing, McKay; left wing, Smith. Seventh Regiment—Goal, Carrothers; point, St. Clair; coverpoint, Skelton; rover, Balfour; center, Balfour; right wing, Yelland; left wing, Scher. ST. JOHN'S A. C. VS. Y. M. C. A. The St. John's A. C. added another goal to their list of victories. The game was a splendid exhibition of good hockey put up was the real thing. At the start, Williams of the Y. M. C. A. succeeded in obtaining the puck, and with clever combination carried it down the ice, when McKenchie by a smart pass, succeeded in scoring. The St. John's, however, played very hard. The rushes of Williams and Walker were very dangerous, and if Parker, the heavy coverpoint, had not been there, would have proved effective. At half time, the St. John's were 2 to 1. McKenchie having scored by a brilliant shot from center.

In the second half, the excitement was intense. For fifteen minutes the puck was kept from goal to goal. R. F. Brown had to penalize Walker and Williams, who seized the puck and was called. Gillard lifted the puck to center, where McKenchie obtained it, and with clever combination carried it down the ice, when McKenchie, at center, played a good individual game for the St. John's, and Hammond was always on the job for Y. M. C. A. The teams' line-up was as follows: St. John's—Goal, McKenchie; rover, McKenchie; coverpoint, Parker; rover, McKenchie; center, Hammond; right wing, Williams; left wing, Canfield. Y. M. C. A.—Goal, McKenchie; rover, McKenchie; coverpoint, Houston; center, Wagner; rover, McKenchie; right wing, McKenchie; left wing, McKenchie. Jack Brown refereed the games, as is always the case, to the satisfaction of everybody.

THE LEAGUE STANDING.

	Won.	Lost.	To pl.
Aberdeens	6	1	3
Y. M. C. A.	4	2	3
St. John's A. C.	4	2	3
Seventh Regiment	0	6	3

The Seventh won one game, but it was protested by Y. M. C. A.

LADIES PLAY HOCKEY.

A fast (if not scientific), hockey match took place last night in London at the Jubilee Rink between the "Marlboroughs," a society of young ladies from East London, and the "Mintos," who represent, for the most part, the high school. The game was a very pretty one, from a spectator's standpoint, only one or two off-sides being called during the whole game, and not a player being penalized for rough play. After some very fast work on both sides the "Mintos" star rover, Miss Flauda Tambling, made one of her brilliant rushes and placed the puck in the net. Very shortly afterwards, Miss Gertrude Thompson scored again for the "Mintos" from a scrimmage. This ended the first half. Score at half time 2 to 0 in favor of the "Mintos."

The second half opened with another rush by Miss Tambling, who again found the goal. From this on the "Marlboroughs" played a hard, consistent game, and the "Mintos" rushes by the "Mintos" but, however, shortly before time, Miss Hazel Tait again scored for the "Mintos" and this ended the game. Score Minto 4, Marlboroughs 0.

For the "Marlboroughs" the whole team plays well, but it was out of practice. The work of the Misses Smith was particularly noticeable, as was also the work of Miss Olive Suhr.

The line-up was as follows: "Mintos"—Goal, B. Tait; point, R. Morrison (captain); cover point, R. Spry; rover, F. Tambling; center, P. Tait; right wing, H. Tait; left wing, G. Thompson. "Marlboroughs"—Goal, L. Suhr; point, D. Smith; cover point, Moore; rover, L. Evans; center, M. Smith (captain); right wing, J. Brown; left wing, O. Suhr.

JUNIOR LEAGUE.

There will be three fast games in the junior league at the Jubilee Rink this evening, St. John's vs. Waterloo, Aberdeens vs. Imperials, and Lorne vs. L. C. I. A large crowd is anticipated as the games last Monday were good exhibitions.

HORTONS VS. INGERSOLL.

A large crowd is expected tomorrow night to see the Hortons play the Ingersolls seven. The game being called for 7:45. The game will be very fast as both teams are in the pink of condition. The Hortons' line-up will be as follows: Reynolds, goal; Jackson, point; Fleming, cover point; Abraham, rover; Powell, center; Carrothers, right wing; W. Arthurs, left wing.

VICS GOT FINAL GAME.

Montreal, Feb. 24. — The Victorias tonight defeated the Montreals in the final match of the C. A. H. L. series by 12 goals to 6.

A CLOSE SCORE.

Cornwall, Ont., Feb. 24. — The Cornwall team were defeated by the Nationals tonight by the close score of 2 to 1.

THE KENNEL.

CANADIAN WINNER. Boston, Feb. 24. — At the bench show of the New England Kennel Club today R. J. McGaughey, of Penobscot, Ont., took first honors in every class of black and tan terriers, the ribbons going to Selwink, Imperial and Seiwonk Pearl.

CURLING.

WALLACEBURG CLUB'S SUCCESS. Wallaceburg, Ont., Feb. 24. — Three rinks of the Wallaceburg Curling Club

played a return game with Sarnia yesterday, winning by 16 shots. In the first game the local club won by 12 shots.

On the 18th inst., Wallaceburg won the Ferguson tankard from Chatham by 5 shots.

BASEBALL.

END OF MINOR MEETING.

Columbus, O., Feb. 24. — The national board of arbitration of minor baseball leagues concluded its meeting this evening after giving out an interpretation of the secondary draft rule, which is directly opposite to that for which the class "A" league had hoped. The resolution adopted provided in brief that all players drafted by the major leagues from leagues below class "A" shall revert back to their original clubs, provided a class "A" club has not put in a secondary draft during the regular baseball drafting period. The class "A" leagues had hoped the secondary draft made outside the regular drafting period would hold good. All clubs that are a party to the national agreement must cut down to the prescribed number of players within one month from the date of the first championship game, according to another resolution. The limit of players is: Class "A," 14; class "B," 14; class "C," 11; class "D," 11. John Flater, claimed by Baltimore, was awarded to Albany; Joyce to Buffalo; Fitcher Duquette to Rochester; L. C. Gardner to Buffalo; Walter Harmon to Hudson; N. Y. F. C. Richards to Winnipeg; A. J. McCarty to Montreal. A number of other cases were referred. Applications from the New England Association and Massachusetts State League for protection were referred to Secretary Farrell.

CARPETBALL.

LION VS. OAK.

Last night Court British Lion defeated Court British Oak in the Sous of England carpetball tournament by a score of 36 to 20. British Lion team was captained by Bro. John Reed, and British Oak by Bro. Jenkins.

BOXING.

RYAN GOT DECISION.

Indianapolis, Feb. 24. — "Tommy" Ryan, middleweight champion, defeated "Jack" Beauschotte tonight in the Auditorium Rink in the sixth round of what was to have been a ten-round fight. Ryan went to the floor twice from hard swings in the first and second rounds, but in the third and fourth sent Beauschotte to the floor. In the sixth, Beauschotte was in such a condition that Ryan quit hitting him and was given the fight.

CLASS "A" EVENT AT MATINEE

AGAIN WON BY SHEIK INDRUM

Beldina Makes the Fastest Time of the Winter in Class "D"—Some Slow Going.

Considering the stormy weather there was a very large attendance at the matinee races at Queen's Park yesterday afternoon. The racing was very fast, although the track was slow. Some of the fastest horses were not in shape yesterday, including Klondike, Blackbird, Lulu Mac and Grocery Boy.

The heats in classes A and B were very slow, but the time made by Cook's horse, Beldina, was the fastest this winter in class D.

In class A, Sheik Indrum, the newcomer, won out. The other entries having been withdrawn, Lady Black was put in this class to make a race.

Dentist had it all his own way in class B. He won both heats in good shape against a large field. Young Corn finished second in each heat.

Class C was a well-matched race. The three heats were well run. Billy won the second heat by a good margin, but failed to discount Minnie in the last heat.

The first heat in class D was won by Beth, followed closely by Jap. The second heat, however, was the best race of the day. Pete got the pole at the start, and tried to jockey Jap, when Beldina, getting the inside, slipped past, winning the heat easily. In the last heat Beldina gave away at the start and finished ahead.

CLASS A.

Sheik Indrum (Robinson)..... 1

Lady Black (Wood)..... 2

Time—1:23, 1:15.

CLASS B.

Dentist J. Wood..... 1

Young Corn (Drake)..... 2

Ada B. (Robinson)..... 3

Time—1:23, 1:15.

CLASS C.

Billy (Brooks)..... 1

Brown Billy (Collins)..... 2

Pete (Sill)..... 3

Time—1:28, 1:28, 1:28.

CLASS D.

Beldina (Cook)..... 1

Beth (Brooks)..... 2

Time—1:28, 1:28, 1:28.

RESERVATION SOUND.

A rumor was going the rounds to the effect that Reservation, George Hendries great 4-year-old, had been declared out of rich eastern classics. It was branded as a fake. Reservation has been declared out of the Brighton handicap only, this event coming too early in the season for the Hendries stable. At the time the Brighton meeting is in Reservation will be filling stake engagements in the west. The 4-year-old is as sound as a dollar and going better than he ever has before in his early work.

BUFFALO STAKES.

The stakes for the Buffalo Racing Association's June meeting closed. The programme offered is an exceedingly ambitious one, embracing as it does, the \$6,000 Buffalo Derby for new 3-year-olds, a prize worth the while of the best class Derby eligible; the \$2,000 Troquois, the \$3,000 Niagara Series, the \$1,500 International handicap, and other events which should appeal to the metropolitan circuit is so strenuous and keen. The Buffalo Derby will be run one week before the American Derby, so that it is entirely probable that all the eastern 3-year-olds having the Chicago engagement have accepted the feature at Kenilworth Park.

YESTERDAY'S WINNERS.

At New Orleans—Sennen Vivax, 4 to 1; Stella Allen, 9 to 5; Rue, 9 to 5; Port Royal, 5 to 1; Gravina, 9 to 10; Claremont, 16 to 5.

KOREA TO REMAIN INDEPENDENT

Japs Will Not Take Advantage of Protectorate.

IN CASE OF ULTIMATE VICTORY

Russia's Protest Against Attack on Their Fleet Lodged With the United States Government.

Washington, Feb. 24. — Secretary of State Hay has received information that Japan has negotiated a treaty with Korea whereby she guarantees the independence and integrity of Korea. This is regarded here as one of the cleverest of the many startling diplomatic moves that have been made in connection with the whole eastern question. The effect is to place Japan on a high moral plane, for it is understood here that this treaty is an announcement to the world that even if she prevails in her struggle with Russia, involving military occupation of Korea, Japan will take no advantage of that fact, but will maintain the independence of the Hermit Kingdom. On the other hand, the Russian note of protest against the violation of Korean neutrality by Japan, is believed here to be intended to pave the way for future heavy reclamation, indeed, involving the seizure of Korea and its annexation for violation of neutrality in the event that Russia triumphs in the present struggle. Korea, in return, gives Japan extensive military rights, and the officials here regard the negotiations of the treaty as a declaration of Japan of her protectorate over Korea. It is supposed that Japan is given the right to fortify Korea and assume control of all of Korea's defenses. This declaration of a protectorate over Korea by Japan, of course, removes Korea from the rank of neutral powers, and makes the Hermit Kingdom as legitimate a field for military operations as Japan itself. Although Count Cassini was informed of the treaty by Mr. Hay, Russia, it is believed, will refuse to recognize Japan's right to establish a protectorate. The Russian ambassador, in his conversation with the secretary, pointed out Japan's declaration had come too late to be observed by Russia, as the St. Petersburg Government already had announced that Japan's conduct in Korea had been such that it would be impossible for Russia further to regard as valid any orders or declarations issued by Korea. Mr. Takahira, the Japanese minister, declared that the information given him by newspapermen, was the first he had received.

The Russian Government believes a deep impression has been made on international sympathies by the note on the subject of Japan's alleged violation of the law of nations sent to the Russian ambassador. More important, the Government lays special stress on the Japanese action at Chemulpo, Russia contending that this action placed outside the pale of civilized nations, and that it smacks of much of barbarism that it must offend the civilized sense of civilized fair play. In diplomatic circles the presentation of Russia's case is considered strong, the opinion being, even in friendly quarters, that Japan, in her haste to cripple the Russian fleet at the outset, committed a blunder by thus striking a blow without warning for which the destruction of two ships will not compensate.

Count Cassini, the Russian ambassador, today handed to United States Secretary of State Hay Russia's communication to the powers protesting against Japan's alleged violation of international law. The conference between the secretary and ambassador lasted an hour. The full text of the note is coming by mail, the substance of it being communicated by the ambassador on the basis of the cable advice. The United States Government has not yet determined what reply it will make to Russia on the subject, beyond a formal acknowledgment.

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