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THE QUEEN OF THE SEASON

Very wearily the Queen of the Season—her flowers faded, her skirts crumpled, her eyes heavy with repressed tears—followed Lady Esselyn upstairs after one of the gayest of the many parties for which they had received invitations. The countess had murmured and fretted all the way home at the ungrateful return for her years of devotion to their interests her stepchildren were making; and Vivien, though her nerves were so highly strung through her nervousness, had almost impossible, to listen with her customary silence, had restrained herself till, with a sudden farewell, her stepmother turned into her own chamber.

Then, throwing off all semblance of composure, the over-wrought beauty flung herself on to the couch in her dressing-room, and wept and sobbed the long pent-up wrath and suspense away.

It was not till she raised herself, ashamed to have given way to this tempestuous burst in the presence of Justice, that she discovered that it was not her maid, but Aymer, who was caressing her hands and anxiously watching over her.

But she avoided his affectionate kisses, and gave an evasive reply to his questions.

"What ails me? A womanly fit of temper, that is all. Let me and my caprices alone, and tell me of yourself. When did you arrive ago?"

"A couple of days ago, so I sent her to bed, and waited for my myself."

"Well?" queried his sister, abruptly. "It is anything but well," replied Aymer, who looked not only haggard but ill, as if he had been to Spain, Italy, the Tyrol, and Southern France, and I am here, a trifle more hopeless than when I started."

"Marie is still in England," Vivien told him, in the same sharp, abrupt manner, striving to cloak her distress under it, and to hide even from herself the agony it cost her to be the accuser of her brother.

His start and eager exclamation nearly overcame her. "Do you say this of your own knowledge? Yes, I see that you do. You have found her, visited her? Oh! Vivien, these are good tidings indeed!"

He swallowed the glass of water he had brought for his sister, for his mouth was dry, and his voice husky with feverish excitement.

"But how grave you are! Have you bad news for me? Is she ill—worse, I mean—has she had a relapse? Ah! and I away! Don't tell me she is dead—lost to me for ever!"

"No; you need not alarm yourself on her account," Marie declared, to give her the name that rightfully belongs to her, Marie de Villefort, is well."

"You say this as soberly as if it were bad news instead of pleasant," exclaimed the earl, laughing in his gladness. "But I am forgetting that you were in tears just now. What's amiss? Have you and Sir Innis been quarreling?"

"Sir Innis is away; he followed you to France, I suppose."

"And you would rather he had stayed here, eh? I will not tease you, dear, if you will answer all my questions about Marie. Is she in London?"

"Yes, but not alone; her cousin is with her, Claire du Moray."

Vivien could not say another word; but with her hands tightly locked together, she sat watching him, and heard him echo her word "Claire!" beneath his breath.

"But Marie herself?" was his next question. "What is she doing? How did you discover her place of abode? Viva, you trifle with my impatience; why do you persist in answering me so curtly?"

"Should your inquiries be all for Marie, and not one for the unhappy girl you deserted? Oh, Aymer, you will never know, never guess, what it has cost me to hear that my brother has acted thus basely, thus unpardonably!"

"You take my breath away, and yet I was partly prepared for something of the kind," he answered, after a pause, during which Vivien sat with her face averted, for she could not bear to see the signs of conscious guilt that must be depicted on his face. "But Marie, why was she not more frank with me?"

"How he harped upon that name!"

"If you mean why did she not declare her relationship to your deserted wife, it was because she knew there was nothing to hope from your justice. In fact, her object in coming to England was a rash hope that she should be able to obtain possession of certain papers—I need not describe them to you."

"Go on," said Aymer, excitedly; "or, rather, begin at the beginning; let me hear how you found Marie, and all that she said to you. Don't hurry, but tell me every word, that I may know precisely how I stand."

"You are strangely cool!" Vivien exclaimed, reproachfully. "I have been hoping and praying that you would indignantly rebuke the accusation brought against you."

"Let me first hear its precise nature, and don't be uneasy, Viva; I have done nothing for which I am not prepared to answer. Now you have assured me that Marie is found, I can bear all else. Who told you I had married Claire du Moray, and then deserted her? It was a strange tale to pour into the ears of my sister."

With some difficulty Vivien tranquilized herself sufficiently to narrate every particular of the visit the cousins had paid to Belgrave, and how in her brother's absence she had received and elicited from them the terrible nature of the business that had brought them there. More than once Aymer started up and seemed about to interrupt her, but he checked his impulse, and though he could not resist walking restlessly about the room, he let her proceed till, with an entreating "Ah! tell me that it is not true!" she came to a pause.

But he did not appear to hear the question, standing lost in thought till she rose and laid her hand on his arm. Then he glanced at her pale face, and hastily kissed her.

"Go to bed, Vivien; you shall know everything tomorrow—all my weakness, all my folly. Till then suspend your judgment; and for heaven's sake, do not look so intensely wretched! If I am destined to have a French spouse instead of an English one, I daresay I shall survive it."

Shocked at what she considered reckless levity, Vivien turned away in silence and left him. But sleep was impossible, and not sorry to find that daylight had dawned, she refreshed herself with a bath and change of toilet, and then quietly letting herself out of the house, walked in the gardens of the square till her naturally strong mind began to recover its tone.

Whatever Aymer had done he was still her nearest, dearest relative—her brother, and she would prove herself his faithful friend, earnestly striving to induce him to do right. Her influence with him had been very great in earlier days; it should be exercised again, and if she failed in her efforts it should not be for want of patience and affection.

When she re-entered the house, Aymer had already left it; and at first she feared that he had resolved to evade the claims of Claire by begging her to lay aside all other engagements and devote the evening to him.

This was reassuring, and enabled her to bear with tolerable equanimity the fretful murmurings of her step-mother, whom a bilious attack rendered more ill-humored than usual.

The indisposition, however, saved Vivien the trouble of finding excuses for relinquishing a dinner-party and soiree dante; and leaving Lady Esselyn on a couch in the drawing-room, she went to her room, and, after a grateful friend, while Cressida and Lord Mandeville whispered to each other in the conservatory, she threw a shawl round her and walked up and down the empty library till Aymer ran up the steps and knocked at the door.

"Come in," he called, as he entered, as soon as he saw the anxious face of his sister. "Whom do I mean? Why, Marie and her cousin. They will be here directly, for I have sent them a message as if from you to the effect that I am in town; so let me go and make myself presentable."

"But Aymer," Vivien cried, as she detained him, "your manner aggravates my distress. You are so careless, so reckless—"

"No, Vivien, I am neither, I assure you. Very anxious I certainly have been, as any man with a spark of feeling must be under such circumstances; but I thank heaven I have found the way out of my difficulties, so don't detain me, there's a dear! I want to be here when your visitors arrive."

He broke from her grasp, and she resumed her restless paces; and to find the carriage drove to the door, from which Madame Mercier alighted with the cousins.

Marie, who was trembling excessively, dropped into a chair that stood a little in the shadow; but Claire, leaning on the arm of her friend, moved gracefully towards Lady Vivien, and gently expressed her regret for the sorrow she had been the unwitting means of bringing upon the sister of Aymer.

While she was speaking a step came towards the door. The color rose in her delicate cheeks as she murmured:

"It is me."

Marie, with a gasp of pain, hid her eyes, and Vivien clutched at the back of a chair for support.

The door opened, and Aymer, after one rapid glance at the crouching figure of Marie, came quickly up the room. As he did so, Claire recoiled, exclaiming, loudly:

"Ah! who is this you bring to me? This is not Lord Esselyn—this is not my husband!"

[To be continued.]

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WOMEN FAVOR POLYGAMY

Congressman Roberts Has Female Champions in Utah.

Salt Lake City, Utah, Jan. 16.—In an interview Mrs. Amelia Young, who is a cousin of Mrs. Grover Cleveland, and who was the favorite wife of Brigham Young, discussing the case of Brigham Roberts, the polygamist recently elected to congress, expressed the opinion that Roberts ought to be given his seat, and she believed he had been elected for the purpose of trying the case of polygamy in the open court of congress, and asserted that the average Mormon woman is a firm believer in polygamy.

Mrs. Heber Grant, second wife of "Apostle" Grant, is quoted as saying: "I have six beautiful daughters, and I wish I could find one good man who could marry them all."

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To Pay Off the Members of the Cuban Army.

New York, Jan. 16.—According to Brigadier Jose Miguel Gomez, a member of the Cuban commission now in Washington, the Cuban army is sure to receive the three years' pay to which it is entitled, \$40,000,000 advanced by the United States, with the custom house of Cuba as security for its repayment.

Brigadier General Gomez, who is now in this city, is grateful for the way the commission has been received. The negotiations, it is expected, will be completed by the end of this month, when the commission will return to Cuba.

General Gomez said: "There are 47,000 men to be paid in the Cuban army. The amount we have requested is \$40,000,000, to be turned over to us either in one or three payments. We will give as security the custom house in Cuba. Should the government not care to lend us this sum we are willing to take one-third of it, and later pay the men the rest. As affairs now stand, however, I think we will receive the amount in three payments. This, however, is not decided yet. The late Mr. Dingley was in favor of giving us the amount in one payment."

"General Maximo Gomez will remain in the field until the army is disbanded. He will then make his home in Havana."

"The paying off of the army is the most important movement towards establishing tranquility in the island. If we should not be able to raise the money, trouble with the men would follow."

SUCCESSFUL STUDENTS

Results of the Christmas Examinations of the Ontario Agricultural College at Guelph.

Guelph, Jan. 16.—The results of the examinations at the Ontario Agricultural College are as follows:

First Year—1. B. S. Pickett, Victoria, York county; 2. J. M. Russell, York county; 3. L. S. Kitchener, York county; 4. W. J. Race, Port Hope, Durham; 5. F. E. Hallam, Washington, Waterloo; 6. H. C. Gardiner, St. Catharines, Lincoln; 7. P. G. Mills, Sussex, N. B.; 8. J. Murray, Ayr, Ontario; 9. G. S. Harris, Toronto, York county; 10. W. J. Black, Stanton, Dufferin; 11. H. Rive, Eramosa, Wellington; 12. T. L. King, Strathallan, Oxford; 13. G. I. Christie, Winchester, Dundas; 14. L. A. Moorhouse, Cairo, Lambton; 15. W. J. Carson, Newcastle, Carleton; 16. W. G. Cowie, Toronto, York; 17. J. C. Bowers, Berlin, Waterloo; 18. B. Waters, Ivan Middlesex; 19. J. H. Silcox, Iona, Elgin; 20. J. W. Kipling, Canfield, Haldimand; 21. A. Bain, Taunton, Ontario; 22. W. Harris, Rockwood, Wellington; 23. C. Page, Toronto, York; 24. J. G. Strigley, Allandale, Simcoe; 25. H. R. McDermid, Martinville, Stormont; 26. S. Hair, Watford, Lambton; 27. J. F. Campbell, Ivan, Middlesex; 28. W. Beaumont, Bracebridge, Muskoka; 29. S. Jacobs, Minesing, Simcoe; and W. H. Magee, Fort William, Kings county, N. S.; 31. W. J. Knox, Belgrave, Huron; 32. B. M. Etythicks, Erekley at Ioniun, Asia Minor; 33. J. R. Vane, Carleton Place, York; 34. J. P. Cleveland, Dayton, Ohio, U. S. A.; 35. S. M. Ling, Rockwood, Wellington; 36. W. A. Woodruff, St. David's Lincoln; 37. R. A. Kepply, Spence, Parry Sound; 38. H. W. Nicholson, Riverbank, Wellington; 39. H. Williams, Corbin, Dufferin; 40. E. Q. Wordsworth, Carlisle, Cumberland, England; 41. W. A. Forbes, Galatta, Carleton; 42. E. Dennis, Aurora, York; 43. J. N. Switzer, Binbrook, Wentworth.

Second Year—1. E. J. McMillan, Newhaven, P. E. I.; 2. W. Linklater, Stratford, Perth; 3. J. A. Robertson, Blantyre, Grey; 4. G. A. Putnam, Guelph, Wellington; 5. C. E. M. Morneau, Quebec, Que.; 6. J. E. Ketchen, Brookline, Ontario; 7. C. R. Peters, Elmhurst, N. B.; 8. G. Hutton, Easton's Corners, Grenville; 9. A. H. Cregar, Molesworth, Perth, and J. W. Crow, Ridgeville, Welland; 11. G. A. McIntyre, Renfrew, Renfrew county; 12. L. A. F. Friel, Newcastle, Haldimand; and E. R. Lewis, Burford, Brant; 14. C. Kidd, Cookstown, Simcoe; 15. F. W. Goble, Woodstock, Oxford; 16. A. Stewart, Ivan, Middlesex; 17. J. R. Hutchinson, Escott, Leeds; 18. J. D. McCarthy, Norwood, Peterborough; 19. W. C. Semple, Tottenham, Simcoe; 20. P. O. Vanatter, Ballinacraig, Wellington.

STEAMER ASHORE

Havana, Jan. 16.—The French steamer Verailles, Captain Villemaures, belonging to the Compagnie Generale Transatlantique, from St. Nazaire, on Dec. 24, for Vera Cruz, ran ashore last night between Rania Honda and Castaños, on the northern part of the Province of Pinar del Rio. The coast there is rocky, and the position of the steamer is considered dangerous.

BIG BLAZE AT YARMOUTH, N. S.

Halifax, N. S., Jan. 16.—The town of Yarmouth had a narrow escape from a repetition of the fire disaster which befell Bridgewater a few days ago. Shortly before noon flames broke out in the Victoria Block, and spread over three hours, burning out T. B. Dane & Son, clothing; the Victoria cafe and J. H. Hurlbut's residence, occupied by Moody & Leblanc, tailors, and the S. C. Hood Company, jewelers. From Cook & Stoneman's to Biny's block, four fine stores, with two residences, were also destroyed.

The New York Herald says: Negotiations looking to the consolidation of the copper mining interests of the United States have been in progress in this city for a week. With reputed backing by the Standard Oil interests, the American Copper Mining Company, in its combination of six plants, expects to revolutionize the copper mining industry of the world.

THE RAILWAYS DOING WELL

The G. T. R. Starts the Year With a Substantial Increase of Earnings—A Big Suit.

A writ was issued against the city of Toronto Monday morning on behalf of the Canadian Pacific Railway for the sum of \$16,396 in connection with unsettled accounts over the construction of the John street bridge. The city, however, has a contra account of \$46,000 for the rent of the Esplanade.

The G. T. R. authorities have decided that they can build freight cars more cheaply than they can repair old cars, and that for that reason \$5 men have been discharged from the car repairing shops at Toronto Junction. There is also a likelihood that the road will move its shops from the Junction to North York, or Leeds Junction, both of which places have offered inducements.

A circular was received by Charles W. Graves, of Toronto, formerly of this city, yesterday, dated Jan. 1, from the head office of the Great Northern Railway at St. Paul, promising him to the position of district freight and passenger agent of that company in Toronto. Mr. Graves up to the present time was traveling passenger agent, and has rapidly advanced for the short time he has been with the Great Northern, and shows that they fully appreciate his value to them.

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