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Vera's Love Affair

CHAPTER XXXVI.

How in the looks does conscious guilt appear!

Today is wet; a soaking, steady, downpour that commenced at early dawn, is still rendering miserable the shrubbery and gardens. Dark and forbidding as the old house has ever looked with its close and senseless barricade of trees that shut out every gleam of sunshine, it looks ten times darker and more forbidding today. The rooms, unused to fires, exude in damp weather an odious moisture that seems to penetrate to the very heart of those who feel it.

Jupiter Pluvius is indeed holding a grand court today. All through the past week Apollo has laughed him to scorn, but now is his revenge at hand, and greedily the parched and thirsty earth drinks in the blessed drops, that fall thick as oats at reaping time upon its arid bosom.

Beneath the breast of the All-mother the little grassy rootlets feel the gentle moisture stirring them to greater exertions; so that they shall today, or perchance, indeed, tomorrow, throw up fresh juicy spikes of tenderest green to deck the radiant morn.

But these are future hopes. Just now a sullen haze hides all things; the roaring sea is blotted out, only the distant hills are seeming nigh, and against the loose old casements the heavy dashing of the raindrops makes a monotonous music.

Vera, depressed by the melancholy of the day, has cast her book aside, and with a certainty of meeting nobody in the empty rooms and corridors, wanders aimlessly throughout their dreary length and breadth. These rooms are well known to her, and presently, wearying of them, she turns aside and rather timidly pushes open a huge, faded, baize-covered door that leads she scarcely knows whither. Some undefined belief that it would bring her into her uncle's presence has hitherto restrained her from seeking to learn what lies behind it; but today, however, dullness making her bold, she pushes it back, and looks eagerly inward.

It is not an apartment after all, and there are no signs of her uncle's presence anywhere. A long, low, vaulted passage reveals itself, only dimly lighted by a painted window at the lower end. This end seems quite a mile away. What an enormous old rouse it is, how capable of being made beautiful. There is a subdued, semi-religious light in here, that affects the senses agreeably, and lays a soothing touch upon the wounded spirit.

It appears to be a completely bare passage at first, leading nowhere; but presently, as she runs her eyes along the eastern wall, a door meets them, an old oaken door, iron-clasped and literally hung with cobwebs. Evidently this is part of the house in utter disuse, laid aside, as it were, and forgotten.

Curiosity grows strong within her. Catching the ancient handle of this door, a mere brass ring sunk in the woodwork, she pushes against it with all her might. In vain. But not deterred, she pushes again and again; and at the last trial of her strength, a sharp sound—a ring of something brazen falling on a stone floor, crashes with a quick, altogether astounding noise upon the tomblike silence that fills the mysterious passage.

At the same moment the door gives way, and she, unexpectedly yielding with it, steps hurriedly forward into a dark and gruesome hole.

It is not, however, so complete a dungeon as she had at first believed it; her eyes growing accustomed to the darkness show her a landing-place, flagged with stone, and overhung with spiders' webs, at the further end of which is a narrow staircase of carved oak. At first she shrinks from going further, but for the second time a very natural curiosity masters her, and she takes a step forward. In doing so she stumbles over something, and looking down, sees the old lock, now rusty, the screws eaten through by age, that, giving way beneath her pressure, had opened up to her this strange, enigmatical place.

Taking heart of grace, she mounts the tiny staircase, and finds herself in another passage very similar to that beneath, except that nothing lights this save for the vague gleams that come from the open doorway beneath, and which, on an earnest examination, appears to end in a cul de sac.

The poverty of the light has perhaps dimmed her sight, because after a little while a shadow on the opposite wall, that resolves itself into an opening, becomes known to her. It is not a door, rather a heavy hempen curtain, and now resolutely determined to go through with her adventure, she advances towards it, pulls it aside, and finds herself face to face with Gregory Dysart!

He is on his knees, next that peculiar cabinet described in an earlier chapter, and as he lifts his head upon her entrance—his venerable head, with the hoary locks floating like a fleece behind him—a murderous glare, as of one haunted, desperated, comes into his curious eyes.

The side of the cabinet is lying wide open, and as he involuntarily moves, the chink of golden coins falling one upon another alone breaks the loud silence that oppresses the atmosphere. In his hand he is holding an old and yellow parchment, and as Vera comes half-unconsciously farther into the room, he flings himself upon it in a hideous, groveling fashion. It is a first instinct, an ungovernable one, and betrays a haunting fear.

"I—I am sorry," murmurs Vera, terrified; "I did not know, I——"

"What brought you here, girl, here where I believed myself safe? Go, go—there is nothing—nothing, I tell you—they lied to you if they told you anything—go, I say!"

He has entirely lost his self-possession, and is still kneeling on the floor, now hugging, now trying to hide beneath him, the paper he holds with his sinewy, nervous fingers. "Go, go, go!" he shrieks, beside himself. He is in a perfect frenzy, all dignity is gone; to the girl standing trembling there it is a loathsome sight to see this old man, on the brink of the grave, thus crouching, abased, dishonored.

"I am going," she says faintly. She is ghastly pale; the sight of him in his horrible fright, cringing thus upon the ground, has so unnerved her, that she actually grasps at the curtain for support. Good heavens, what brought her here, of all places!

The knowledge of her fear becoming known to Gregory Dysart, calms his. Instinctively he pulls himself together, and gathers from her cowardice strength to conquer his own.

"So you were spying on me!" cries he in little gasps. "What brought you, eh? That door below was locked, has been locked for fifty years. Is there a conspiracy against me, then, that you can thus force yourself into my presence, in spite of bolts and bars?"

"The lock gave way," stammers Vera; "it must have been old, broken by age, rusty. I had nothing to do. It was by the merest chance I came here. I am sorry, sorry." Her voice dies in her throat.

"I don't believe it. There is more that you keep behind. Speak, girl, speak! I command you! Who showed you the way here?"

"I have told you," says Vera tremulously. "You must believe me. If I had known I should not have come. I—I am sorry I have frightened you, but——"

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THISTLES BROKE EVEN IN THEIR GAMES WITH QUEEN CITY CLUB

Won One, Lost Another—Marlboros Lost the First Series for the Stanley Cup.

BROKE EVEN.

The Thistles broke even with the Queen City club in the games played at Toronto on Monday, losing in the afternoon and winning in the evening. The trip of the Thistles was one of the most pleasant of the year, the Queen City curlers doing everything to "even up" for the kindness shown them by the Thistles on their recent visit to London. The evening rinks of the Queen City club were changed from the afternoon. The scores:

Afternoon Game—

Thistles.		Queen City.	
C. H. Sprieser,		R. C. Matthews,	
S. D. Swift,		C. R. Cooper,	
C. E. Sterling,		G. Eakins,	
A. Talbot, skip....	16	J. W. Corcoran, s.	13
L. J. Walker,		W. Copp,	
J. W. McIntosh,		J. Lugsdin,	
H. C. McBride,		M. A. Rice,	
J. Mattinson, sk...	7	R. Junkin, skip....	21
H. Middleton,		George Kingston,	
W. Bartlett,		C. T. Stark,	
S. Stevely,		G. S. Lyon,	
W. R. Miller, skip.	9.	J. P. Rogers, sk...	21
J. E. McNee,		A. Falcon,	
A. Tillmann,		A. T. Reid,	
B. W. Glover,		J. A. Jackson,	
C. Graham, skip..	22	A. Fleming, skip..	7
C. Preston,		J. Firstbrook,	
C. H. Ward,		H. T. Tilley,	
W. Cox,		H. C. Boulter,	
W. Fulton, skip...	15	A. Wellington, sk.	21
Total.....	69	Total.....	83

Majority for Queen City, 14 shots.

Evening Game—

Thistles.		Queen City.	
C. Preston,		A. L. Malone,	
C. H. Ward,		M. C. Ellis,	
W. Cox,		O. F. Rice,	
W. Fulton, skip...	14	W. A. Kemp, sk..	11
C. Sprieser,		A. H. Gregg,	
S. D. Swift,		M. Harris,	
C. E. Sterling,		G. Clapperton,	
A. Talbot, skip....	20	H. A. Haisley, sk.	10
J. E. McNee,		W. Wickens,	
A. Tillmann,		F. W. Doll,	
B. W. Glover,		H. J. Gray,	
C. Graham, skip..	18	J. C. Scott, skip...	14
H. Middleton,		E. T. Malone,	
W. Bartlett,		W. J. Bickell,	
S. Stevely,		F. J. Smale,	
W. R. Miller, skip.	22	T. A. Browne, sk..	10
S. Walker,		J. Nicholson,	
J. W. McIntosh,		R. A. Gray,	
H. C. McBride,		W. Phillips,	
J. Mattinson, sk...	7	R. B. Rice, skip...	19
Total.....	81	Total.....	64

Majority for Thistles, 17 shots.

HOCKEY.

MARLBOROS LOSE.

By a score of 6 to 3, the Ottawas defeated the Toronto team, last evening, in the first game for the Stanley cup. The champions of the O. H. A. did good work in the first half, making a score of 3 to 1. But in the second half the Ottawa team played a very strenuous game. The Marlboros play a lot individual, and not nearly so good combination as the Ottawas. Phillips and Birmingham were the Marlboro stars, and Geroux played well in goal. The play was clean, but inclined to be slow.

The teams lined up as follows:

Marlboros (3)—Geroux, goal; Charlton, point; Wright, coverpoint; Phillips, rover; Birmingham, center; McLaren, right wing; Winchester, left wing.

Ottawas (6)—Holton, goal; Pulford, point; Moore, coverpoint; Westerick, rover; McGee, center; S. Gilmour, right wing; Smith, left wing.

WHOLESALE GROCERS PLAY.

One of the fastest games of hockey of the season was played last night at the Jubile rink, in which Elliott, Marr & Co. again defeated Edward Adams & Co., by a score of 7 to 4. This was the third and deciding game played between these teams, who lined up as follows:

E. M. & Co.—W. Nash, goal; R. McIntosh, point; M. Fowler, cover; E. Catanac, right; A. McPherson, left; R. McLeod, center; F. Phelps, rover.

E. A. & Co.—W. Lancaster, goal; H. Jeffrey, point; R. McIntosh, cover; E. Grigg, right; G. Burgess, left; G. Wilson, center; H. Boss, rover.

JEWELERS WIN ANOTHER.

In a fast exhibition of hockey at the Westminster rink Tuesday night, the Jewelers beat Bowman's by a close score. The Jewelers had the better of the game throughout. Thompson's work in goal for Bowman's was a feature of the game. Norman Underhill made an efficient referee.

RAMBLERS STILL WINNING.

A large crowd witnessed a very interesting game of hockey in Jubilee Rink Monday night between the Ramblers and the Imperials. A great deal of fun was created for the spectators by the Imperials appearing in burlesque costumes. During the first half-hour's play the score stood 2 to 1 in favor of the Ramblers, and it looked like anybody's game. During the last half, however, the Ramblers pulled together and got their combination working, which the Imperials failed to break up, with the result that the Ramblers scored 7 more goals to their opponents' 2, making a total of 9 to 3. Following is the line-up:

Imperials — Goal, Jenkins, point, Pearce; coverpoint, Mountjoy; forwards, Elsie, Adair, Marshall, Page.

Ramblers—Goal, W. Cripps; point, B. Simmons; coverpoint, S. Watts; forwards, C. Dyson, E. Howett, R. Carter, G. Dolby.

These teams will play another game next week. On Wednesday night the Ramblers and the Jewelers play a game.

LISTOWEL IN FINALS.

Listowel, Ont., Feb. 23.—A large crowd assembled here tonight to see the Barrie-Listowel junior O. H. A. match, this round deciding who is to play the Kingston Beechgroves, for the junior championship of Ontario. The game was strenuous and snappy. Barrie scored two at the start, and the locals had hard work make the score at half-time 3 all. In the second half the visitors stoutly contested every play, and it was not until nearly the middle of the last half that the locals found the visitors' style, and thenceforth scored repeatedly. Final score, 11 to 4 in favor of Listowel.

FIRST TO STRATFORD.

Stratford, Ont., Feb. 23. — The first of the semi-final games between Stratford and Watford intermediates in the O. H. A. series was played here tonight and resulted in Stratford's favor, by a score of 18 to 4.

GALT LOST ON HOME ICE.

Galt, Ont., Feb. 23. — Five rinks of curlers from Parkdale visited Galt today and played five rinks of the Galt Granites this afternoon with the following results: Parkdale 90, Galt 75.

SECOND DAY OF BONSPIEL.

Guelph, Ont., Feb. 23. — The second day of the bonspiel for the Sleeman trophy and Guelph tankard covers the third draw and semi-finals while the finals are being played tonight between two Guelph rinks, who survived the contest.

Third draw—Fergus, Kerr, skip, 13; Royal City, Dillon, skip, 20. Milton, Robertson, skip, 12; Brampton, Adams, skip, 12. Waterloo, Seagram, skip, 18; Georgetown, Barber, skip, 12. Guelph Unions, Mennie, skip, 17; Elora, Robertson, skip, 15.

Semi-finals—Guelph Unions, Mennie, skip, 14; Waterloo, Seagram, skip, 9. Royal City, Dillon, skip, 14; Brampton, Adams skip, 13.

CARPETBALL.

TIED FOR FIRST PLACE.

The carpetball contest among the local courts of the A. O. F. was advanced another stage last night, when games were played between Courts Brighton and Forest Queen, and Courts Magnolia and Pride of the Dominion. The former was won by Forest Queen by a score of 36 to 34, and the latter was won by Court Pride by 36 to 25. By defeating Court Magnolia, Court Pride is tied with Court Excelsior, of West London, for first place. The game to decide the championship will be played early in March. Court Pride of the Dominion has an advantage over Court Excelsior in that the match is to take place in Court Pride's rooms.

BASEBALL.

NEWSPAPER MAN APPOINTED.

A Chicago newspaper man, Carl M. Green, has been appointed business manager of the Boston baseball team of the American League. The deal was consummated during last week. Mr. Green is 27 years of age and was a member of the class of 1899 at the University of Michigan. Coming to Chicago, he went into newspaper work, and for the past three years has been on the sporting staff of the Record-Herald. His knowledge of the various angles in the baseball situation was a leading consideration in his appointment. Manager Smart, who was with the team last year, found that he would be unable to give his entire time to its affairs.

ABOUT PLAYERS.

The St. Louis Club at last has a new third baseman in the person of Mike Grady, of Kansas City, for whom the veterans, Catcher Ryan and Pitcher Murphy were traded.

Pitcher Brown and Catcher O'Neil, transferred by St. Louis to Chicago, demand $3,200 salaries. They only drew $2,400 stipend last season, and evidently do not realize that the war is over.

Charlie Jones, a former Londoner, has been secured by Chicago from the Denver Club, and will be given every chance to make good in the field.

Toronto has just received the signed contract of Outfielder Weidensaul. Irwin has given up all hopes of securing Infielder Loudenschlager from Brooklyn. He is of the opinion that the player will be turned over to Baltimore, now that Castro has "jumped" the latter team.

"Cy" Young has a good many years of usefulness on the diamond left him. The reason for his perennial youth has been discovered in the fact that he was born on Feb. 29, and has not seen a birthday for eight years.

MAGNATES' DOINGS.

Columbus, Ohio, Feb. 23. — Delays characterized the meeting of the baseball magnates here today. Umpire Haskell, late of the American Association, was appointed an umpire in the Eastern League by President Powers.

The National Association of Minor Baseball Leagues appointed Edward Hanlon, of Baltimore, and J. H. Farrell, of Auburn, N. Y., a committee to arrange the final details as outlined at the recent conference held at San Francisco. This is regarded as equivalent to a ratification of the proposed agreement by the National Association, though final action is left to the committee. Immediately after the committee's appointment, Farrell presented a list of players in dispute, and the Toronto club at one waived claim to Pitcher Miller and First Baseman Massey. Following the adjournment of the National Association the board of arbitration met and voted to suspend indefinitely Umpire James Hassett, who, it was shown, had signed contracts with both the Eastern League and the American Association. A resolution was adopted providing that a fine of $200 be imposed on any club which, through its owner, manager or player, tampers with a player or any club a party to the National agreement. Another resolution was adopted, providing that a fine of $100 be imposed on any player under contract or reservation who shall fail to report within three days after the date set for reporting providing that he shall have had a week's notice. Secretary Farrell was given power to act upon the requets of the Toronto club to have Player Golden taken off the New Haven reserve list.

THE TURF.

A BLOW TO THE GAME.

Chicago, Feb. 23. — Madison, Ill., has been an eyesore to the turf for a great many years, and the riot which occurred there recently, when an attempt was made to serve warrants on poolroom keepers, is responsible for the ugly spot being again on public exhibition. There probably is no place where so much has been made off of the sport of horseracing without contributing a dollar to its support as this same tough Madison neighborhood. One of its products has been to foist upon the turf world a few sure thing gamblers, who will never be anything but a menace to the sport as long as they are connected with it. And now the rioting, which apparently results more from a clash of authority than from any actual resistance to the officers of the law, will arouse a feeling against racing itself in a great many places in Illinois.

NOTES FROM THE TRACKS.

Winnie O'Connor, a clever jockey, has sailed for Austria, where he will ride this year. He does not expect to ride in America again.

YESTERDAY'S WINNERS.

At New Orleans—Mistersinger, 3 to 2; Optional, 10 to 1; Foresight, 11 to 5; Establish, 8 to 1; Frank Bell, 11 to 10; Conundrum, even.

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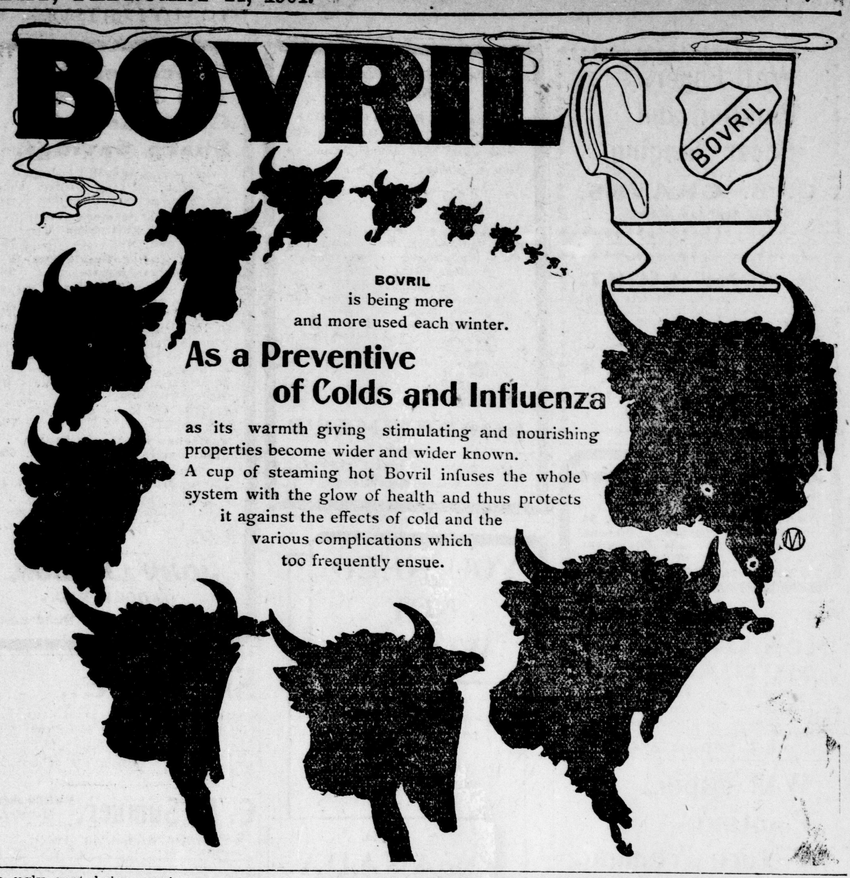

BASEBALL GAMES ARE TOO SHORT

Time May Be Lengthened This Year—Magnates in Favor of It.

Longer games of baseball are likely to be the rule this season. Not more innings, of course, but a longer duration of each individual contest than was the case last year. The plays will go through somewhat less rapidly and the average length of time consumed by each game will be increased a considerable number of minutes—possibly to an hour and forty minutes or even twn hours. That this is the sentiment held by a number of magnates in each organization developed at the baseball conference in San Francisco recently. It is felt by them that it lowers the class of baseball to rush the game along and that, moreover, the public does not like short games.

Last year it was something of a feature to hurry games through as quickly as possible. The ideal length of a game of baseball was the subject of an interesting discussion between Ned Hanlon, manager of the Brooklyn team, and President Kilfoyl, of the Cleveland Club, during the baseball conference. It is worthy of note that these men, representatives of clubs in two major leagues, agreed perfectly that the tendency last season to rush games through was wrong.

"I do not believe in these short games," said Hanlon. "To begin with, if the pitcher and catcher work too fast they overlook many of the finer points of the game. They don't have a full grasp of the situation all the time, and are apt to make mistakes, which at critical times may lose games. They don't play heady baseball.

"The people don't like these short games, either. They pay for an afternoon's entertainment, and they are apt to feel that they don't get their money's worth when they see a game rushed through in an hour and fifteen or twenty minutes. A game lasting nearer two hours suits them much better."

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TWO GERMAN VICTORIES

Rebel Natives in Southwest Africa Repulsed With Loss.

Berlin, Feb. 24.—Col. Leutwein, Governor of German Southwest Africa, cables that a number of Ovambos, under Captain Nechale, attacked the police post at Amatoni, on Feb. 2, and were repulsed with a loss of 60 men killed. A column under Lieut. Schultz had a fight with the Hereros at South Tsumana, on Feb. 8, in which the enemy lost 10 men killed. The Germans sustained no casualties. The principal German forces are gathering at Okahandja, where they will await the arrival of reinforcements before undertaking a general movement.

LOAD FELL UPON HIM

A Farmer of Beverley Township Has His Neck Broken.

Galt, Ont., Feb. 24.—Abner Humphrey, a farmer, about 50 years of age, who liver near Sheffield, in Beverly Township, while teaming a load of wood to Galt Monday, was walking alongside the load when it upset owing to the very uneven condition of the road, and fell on Humphrey, breaking his neck. A neighbor who saw the accident, came to the rescue, but Humphrey was dead when released from under the load. Deceased leaves a widow and seven children.

BRITAIN'S NEW CRUISERS

The Chilean Vessels Were Purchased at a Bargain Price.

London, Feb. 24. — During a discussion in the House of Commons yesterday of the supplementary navy estimates, amounting to $6,350,000, the secretary of the admiralty, replying to criticism of the Government for purchasing the two Chilian battleships built in Great Britain (but not delivered owing to the disarmament convention between Chili and Argentina) announced that the two vessels had been acquired at the cost of armored cruisers, and said the Government thereby would be enabled to curtail the construction programme for 1904, laying down only two new battleships instead of three, as previously intended. Had the Chilian battleships passed into the hands of another power, the secretary continued, the balance of naval strength would have been seriously affected.

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