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He Refused Her

And the Consequences Were Peculiar

By F. A. MITCHEL

There are as many customs of courtship and marriage as there are peoples. In Lapland a suitor must run a race with the girl he wishes to marry. If he loses the race he wins the girl. In Spain courting is done by the girl sitting on a balcony, the suitor talking to her from the street. In Tangier the parties are contracted for by their parents without seeing each other, and the bride is led to her husband in a box on a mule by an old nurse.

Many marriages among the Genoese are brought about by brokers. Each broker accumulates a number of names of marriageable girls, with their dowries, their education, accomplishments and other attractive features. A young man wishing a wife applies to him, and he arranges a marriage with the parents of some one of the girls on his list, after which the couple are introduced. Either party may decline to carry out the arrangement, but if the man does so he must pay the brokerage and expenses.

Signor Girandola, a citizen of Genoa, had a daughter of a marriageable age and one day received a visit from a marriage broker with a proposition for her hand for one of his clients, Luigi Baltrani. The father took the young man's name and address, made inquiries with a view to confirming the broker's statements and, finding them in the main correct, arranged for a meeting between the two young persons.

Lita Girandola after a brief interview with young Baltrani was very much pleased with him. He was refined, courteous, good looking. For these reasons—she left the monetary features to her father—she decided to accept him. All seemed going well.



WHEN SHE MET HIS GAZE SHE WOULD DROP HER EYES.

for the match when Signor Baltrani notified his broker that he would not fulfil his part of the contract. With this notification came a check for the commission and expenses.

Baltrani was young and not experienced in woman's ways. His broker had informed him of the preliminaries in the matter, and since according to the contract neither party was to be bound until the contract was completed he felt at perfect liberty to withdraw up to that time, and it did not occur to him that if Signorina Girandola should claim the same privilege he would have any cause for complaint. Why should he? Was not the affair up to a certain point a business transaction?

The young man was, however, so far aware of the greater sensitiveness of woman to be somewhat surprised and greatly pleased at a note he received from Signorina Girandola assuring him that the brief visit he had made her had greatly impressed her in his favor and she would be pleased to retain him as a friend. During their interview he had shown an insight to certain subjects in which she was interested and hoped that she might have further benefit of his views upon them. The matrimonial matters having been disposed of, there would be greater freedom between them without danger of misinterpretation. She therefore hoped that Signor Baltrani would come occasionally to see her.

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he remarked, "that I ever received from a woman. And what perceptive faculties! I might have talked to a dozen girls about those subjects of which I have made a study without making the slightest impression upon any of them. This girl has evidently appreciated every word I said to her. I shall certainly avail myself of her invitation. And who knows but that I may change my mind and the match go through after all."

Signor Baltrani answered the note in person. He was further pleased that the young lady received him cordially, though she seemed a trifle embarrassed lest he attribute her invitation to different motives than friendship. But when he assured her that he understood those motives perfectly her reserve was thrown off at once, and it seemed to the visitor that he was on the threshold of one of the most delightful friendships of his life.

Though he was not conscious of it, he had really entered on a love affair. He half smiled, half shuddered, when he thought of the business arrangement by which he had made the acquaintance of Signorina Girandola. What a wretched business that had been, to be sure! And now for the first time, the status between him and Signorina Lita having changed from strangers to warm friends, the fact that he had declined to marry her, she being willing, seemed changed too. Then he regarded it a matter of business; now he began to wonder how she could have received his refusal without showing some pique. The fact that she had not shown pique impressed him that she might be indifferent to him. This troubled him.

The best way to discover her feelings would be to assume something of the lover, dropping an equal amount of the friend. The next time he was with her he tried to do so, but was surprised to find it difficult. The fact that he had declined to marry her rose as a barrier between them. He said something lover-like, and it came back to him like a mocking echo.

She might have helped him, but she did not. Nor did she discourage or encourage him. She remained neutral. This led him to make another trial. The result was the same, though he was conscious that the fault was his. So long as he was friendly he was in his element; the moment he undertook to play the lover that refusal to marry he came up again between them, and every time it did so it seemed more insurmountable. It was no longer a hedge, a fence, but a stone wall reaching to the skies.

He was like a ship at sea, now rolling far down on one side, then on the other. Signorina Lita was kind, friendly, appreciative, but while he was racing madly on in love she remained the same. Yet there came a time when she seemed to change. Occasionally when she met his gaze she would drop her eyes. This encouraged him, but no sooner did he begin to act the part of a lover than she drew back within herself and left him to act his role

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alone. But why try to follow the mad course of a man in love who has not yet won the race? At times Baltrani would wonder why he had changed his views concerning Signorina Lita from the time he had declined to marry her. Then he would doubt if he had changed them. This craving for her was all nonsense. He would banish it.

For how long? Sometimes for a few hours, sometimes a few minutes. Sometimes he would fall from his indifference into the depths of despondency. A man in this condition is apt to appear to be looking for the most foolish thing he can do and finding one foolish beyond his fondest hopes. Baltrani, when he discovered that he could not propose as a lover, concluded to begin over again as a matter of business. He argued that he should place the young lady in a position where she would have an opportunity to treat him as he had treated her. He went to his broker and instructed him to go to the young lady's father and make another proposition for her hand.

The broker refrained from comment on such a course. He went to Signor Girandola and made the proposition. The gentleman was surprised, but made no comment except to remark, since the parties had met, there would be no need of an introduction. He would confer with his wife and return an answer after having done so. He said nothing about his daughter, for it was supposed that a marriage for her was in the hands of her parents. Nevertheless he knew full well that Signorina Lita would decide the matter.

Luigi expected an answer within at least a few days. A week passed, and he received none. Every day he called on his broker and asked him if he had any word for him. Every day the broker shrugged his shoulders and replied, "No, signor." At last Luigi could stand the suspense no longer, or thought he could, and begged the broker to go to Signor Girandola and ask for a reply. The broker did as desired and returned with the answer that Signor Baltrani's proposition was still under consideration.

The lover now began to suspect that he was on the gridiron and was being broiled for the delectation of the lady he loved. Indeed, he had feared from the first that he would meet with a refusal, but when one had not been returned in due time he had hoped. Now all hope was gone, and he knew the worst—no, the worst was not yet come. Every day the fever within him burned fiercer. Every day he suffered more intensely. The only relief that might come to him was that he would receive a refusal from the girl he had refused. It would be preferable to this intolerable contempt.

One day he saw Signorina Girandola approaching as he walked on the street. She came on as though she did not see him and shortly before meeting him turned down a cross street without noticing him. She did not look displeased with him or revengeful or contemptuous. She simply acted as though she had never seen him before, was not interested in him and was thinking about something else.

From that day to this the proposer has not received an answer to his proposition. He is growing old and has never married. It seems a severe punishment for an offense which, coming from a woman to a man, would only cause him to love her the more. But men cannot look at things through women's eyes. She is, has always been and will ever be to him an enigma.

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