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Truly it had seemed to them, this singular application, as touching closely upon the heart of the matter with them, putting it in the most feasible and favorable light; and it must be acknowledged that, to his mind, it appeared a thing not only that they might do, but that it would be perfectly right and honest to do. All in vain; they heard him with courtesy, but were harder than adamant. Richard North happened to go in upon some business soon after the conclusion of the interview, and when he returned they were the bankers of North & Goss—told him confidentially of the application. Richard imparted it to his father; hence Mr. North heard Bessy without surprise.

Regarding the narrow legal point of view, of course the Messrs. Ticknell might be right; but, taking it broadly and comprehensively, there could be no doubt that it seemed hard upon Oliver Rane and his wife. The chief question that had presented itself to Richard North's mind was: if the money were handed over now, would the Messrs. Ticknell be quite secure from ulterior consequences? They said not. Upon Richard North's suggesting that a lawyer might be consulted on the point, Sir Thomas Ticknell answered that, so matter what a lawyer might say, they should never incur the responsibility of parting with the fortune money so long as two of their members were living. "And I think they must be right," Richard remarked afterwards to his father. Turning to Bessy, sitting by him on the bench, Mr. North repeated this. Bessy listened in dutiful silence, but shook her head.

"Papa, much as I respect Richard's judgment, clever as I know him to be, I am sure he is wrong here. It is very strange that he should go against me and Oliver."

"It is because of that same good judgment, my dear," replied Mr. North simply. "I'd trust it against the world, on account of his impartiality. When he has to decide between two opposite opinions, he invariably puts himself, or tries to put himself, in either place, weighs each side, and comes to an unbiased conclusion. Look at this present strike; Dick has been reproached with leaning to the men's side, with holding familiar argument with them, for and against; a thing that few masters would do; but it is because he sees they really believe they have right on their side, and he would trust their opinions with respect, however mistaken he may know them to be."

"Richard cannot think the men are to blame," exclaimed Mrs. Rane.

"He lays the blame chiefly where, as he says, it is due—on the Trades Union. The men were deluded in it at first; and they can't help obeying its dictates now. They have given themselves over to it, body and soul, Bessy, and can no more escape from it than a prisoner from a dungeon. That's Richard's view; and it makes him lenient; I'd try and bring them to their senses in a different way, if I had the power and the means left me."

"Bessy, I I were what I once was—a wealthy man, independent of business—I'd close the works for good; break them up; burn them if necessary; anything but re-open them. The trade should go where it would, and the men after it, or starve, just as they chose. I would never have my peace of life worried out of me by these strikes; or let men that I have employed and always done liberally by dictate to me. They'll find out, Bessy, that their cost, as sure as that we two are sitting here."

Mr. North seized the hoe that was resting beside the bench, and struck it lightly on the ground. Making no doubt, he gave emphasis to his words. Bessy Rane passed from the subject of the strike to that which more immediately concerned her.

"Richard is honest, papa; he would never say what he did not think; but he may be mistaken sometimes. I cannot understand how he can think the Ticknells right in refusing to let us have the money. If there were the slightest, smallest reason for their keeping it back, it would be different; but there is none."

"See here, Bessy. If they go by the strict letter of the law, they cannot do it. The fortune deed was drawn up as tightly as any deed can be; it expressly says that nine of the members must be dead, and only the tenth remaining, before the money can be withdrawn from its investment. The Ticknells can't get over this."

"Papa—forgive me—you should not say that, but won't," spoke Mrs. Rane. "They can do it if they please; there is nothing to prevent it. All power lies with them; they are responsible to none. If they paid over the money to Oliver tomorrow, not an individual in the wide world would condemn them to account for it. The strictest judge on the bench could not say to them afterwards, 'You have paid away money that you had no right to pay.'"

"Stop, Bessy—that's just where the weak point lies. The Ticknells say that if they parted with the money now, they might be called upon again for it at some future time."

Bessy sat in amazement. "Why! How could that be?"

"Dick put it somehow in this way, my dear; that is, Thomas Ticknell put it to him. If you should, expressly say that your husband a widower with children, leaving for the matter of that, if he should die, leaving you with some; those children might come upon the Ticknells for the money over again. Or Rane might, come upon them, if he were the one left; or you, if you were. It was in that way, I think Dick said; but my memory is not as clear as it used to be."

"As if we should be so dishonorable! Besides—there could be no possibility of claiming the money twice over. Having received it once, the Ticknells would hold our receipt for it."

Mr. North shook his head. "The law is full of quips and quibbles. Bessy, if the trustees paid over this money to you and

your husband now, contrary to the provisions of the fortune deed, I suppose it is at least a nice question whether the survivors could not compel them to pay it again."

Bessy held her breath. "Do you think they could be compelled, papa?"

"Well, I don't know, Bessy. I fancy perhaps they might be. Dick says they are right, as prudent men, to refuse. One thing you and Oliver may rest assured of, my dear—that, under the doubt, the Ticknells will never be persuaded to do it as long as oak and ash grow."

Bessy Rane sighed, and began to tie her bonnet. She had no idea that paying the money would involve the trustees in any liability, real or fancied, and hope went out of her from that moment. By nature she was as just as Richard; and she could not honestly even wish that the bankers should incur the risk.

"Dick's indoors, my dear, if you'd like to ask him what Thomas Ticknell said; he would explain it to you better than I have. No hurry now, to be off in a morning; there are no works open to go to."

"I have heard enough, papa. I quite understand it now," was Mrs. Rane's answer. "It will be a dreadful disappointment to Oliver when he hears that no chance, or hope, is left. It would have been—oh such a help to us."

"He is not getting on very well, is he, Bessy?"

"Especially since the strike set in. The men can't pay."

"Bessy must feel it as well as Oliver."

"Not half as much; not a quarter. His practice chiefly lies amongst the richer classes. Well, we must have patience. As Oliver says, Fortune does not seem to smile upon us just now."

"If I could put a hundred-pound note, or so, into your hand, whilst these bad times are being lived over, I'd do it, Bessy, with all my heart. But I can't. Tell Oliver so. The strike is bringing us no end of embarrassment, and I don't know where it will end. It was bad enough before, as you remember, Bessy; but we always had Richard as a refuge."

"Richard will take care of you still, papa; don't be troubled; in some way or other, I am sure he will. As to ourselves, we are young, and can wait for the good time coming."

Very cheerily she spoke. And perhaps felt so. Bessy's gentle nature held a great deal of sunshine.

"I wonder Oliver's mother does not help him," remarked Mr. North.

"She would gladly do it, papa, but she lives up to every farthing of her income; beyond it, I fancy, sometimes. She is accustomed to luxuries, and her traveling about costs a good deal. Mrs. Cumberland is not one to economize, or to put up with small lodgings and discomforts on her different sojourns. Sometimes, as you know, she posts; it is easier, she says; and that is expensive."

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Commandant Herbert H. Booth, of the Salvation Army, third son of Gen. Booth, will speak at the First Congregational Church tonight, when the inaugural meeting in connection with the new Salvation Army Hotel will be held.

Commandant Booth is an old army worker and has a very interesting history. He was born at Penzance, Cornwall, in August, 1862. His parents were just then in the midst of the wonderful Cornish revival which made their names household words in that part of England long before the Salvation Army, as a whole, was in existence.

Perhaps he drank in the "war spirit" from the atmosphere around him, for Mrs. Booth was once heard to say of him: "At our movement has advanced, step by step and we have been led to adopt successful strange and new measures, I never recall



that my son Herbert, when once he was convinced of the necessity or utility of a mode of procedure, no matter how against his tastes or his feelings it might be, has hesitated or shrunk from it for a moment."

When just in his teens he went, for a time, to a boarding school, supposed to be most select and religious in its influence. But Mrs. Booth's well-known disapprobation of school life for her Christian children received strong support by his experience, although her son's principles were, even at that early age, too firmly established to be shaken.

The language and the half-whispered songs indulged in in the dormitories after the masters were well out of hearing would have horrified mothers far less eager to preserve their sons from stain and soil than was Mrs. Booth. But the "Training Home Father" to be used to shut his ears and sing his Christian Mission Hymns aloud to drown the words he would not hear.

Having no opportunity to pray and study his beloved Bible alone was a great trial to him. A Christian coachman took pity on him and used to let him make a little oratory of a quiet corner of his stable—a building forbidden to all other boys.

On leaving school he entered the trade department at headquarters, receiving a thorough and practical business training which stood him in good stead when, on the departure of his brother, Marshal Balfour Booth, for Australia in May, 1884, he took upon his young shoulders not only the heavy spiritual responsibility of the Clapton Training Home, but their entire financial burden. Since then his work has grown with tremendous rapidity.

On Thursday, Sept. 18, 1890, the commandant was married by the general to Capt. Corry Schoch, the daughter of Staff-Capt. Schoch, the chief secretary of the army's operations in Belgium.

WHO DR. MCCORMICK IS.
Montreal Has Something to Say Respecting the Well Known Richmond Physician.

MONTREAL, Oct. 29.—Dr. A. G. McCormick, of Richmond, Que., whose remarkable cure of Bright's Disease by the use of Dodd's Kidney Pills has been set forth in his letter recently published, is a graduate of McGill College, this city. He is well known, not only to the medical profession in Montreal, but throughout the entire Province, as a careful and reputable physician, and his testimony to the worth of Dodd's Kidney Pills is accepted by physicians generally as a guarantee of the efficiency of the remedy. Such a communication, coming from so eminent a graduate of McGill, will have the effect of making Dodd's Kidney Pills universally popular in Quebec.

STEAMSHIP CHANGES.
The Beaver Line To Be Wound Up—Donaldson Bros. Prepare a New Freight Line.

MONTREAL, Que., Oct. 29.—The Beaver Steamship Line, which have plied for years between New York and Europe, is to be wound up owing to the great falling off in receipts, caused by the depression in the shipping business during the last few years. This action was taken at a meeting of the shareholders this afternoon.

Boston, Oct. 29.—Donaldson Bros., the steamship owners are desirous of establishing a freight line between this city and Bristol, England, and negotiations are in progress which give promise of the plan being tried this winter. The Donaldson boats now run to Montreal from Bristol, but during the winter it is necessary for them to change their eastern terminal owing to the ice. This therefore gives them the opportunity to try Boston.

The Embargo on United States Cattle. Washington, Oct. 29.—Secretary Graham has directed the United States ambassador at Berlin to make representations to the German Government stating that Texas fever could not be communicated by diseased cattle, so that even if the reported discovery of this disease were correct there would be no danger to German cattle; also that the meat of cattle affected by this disease had never been shown to be dangerous to the consumer. The ambassador was therefore instructed to protest against the action of the German Government.

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