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A Lost Gem

Hannington glanced at her impatiently. Her eyes were swimming in tears; a drop fell over her rose-leaf tinted cheek.

"If you are such a baby as to cry about a theater I really don't know what will become of you," he said contemptuously. "I cannot insure you against all the accidents of life, I am sorry to say."

"It isn't the theater," said Molly quickly. "It is because you will be away from me, Jack."

"Of all things I hate," said Hannington, half closing his eyes, "I hate most a man who is tied to his wife's apron strings."

Molly pressed her hands tightly together under the table, and tried to force back the tears that continued to gather in her eyes. She was learning her first lesson of self-control.

"I don't want you to stay with me," she said, in a choked, mortified voice, "if you don't care to stay."

"All the better," replied her husband dryly, "for I have something else to do tonight."

Molly, sat silent, biting her lips. A thundering double knock and peal at the front door suddenly resounded through the house and made Hannington rouse himself.

"You had better dry your eyes and not make a fool of yourself," he said sharply. "I expect that knock is for us, Donald Vereker and a friend were to call for me at 7.30. I hear them coming up now."

Molly hastily rubbed her eyes with her handkerchief, but succeeded only in making them look redder than they would have been without this process. Hannington's frown as he glanced at her added to her agitation. It was a beautiful but very pathetic little face which met the view of the gentlemen who entered; and Hannington would on the whole, have preferred to see her radiant and smiling.

"Mr. Vereker—Capt. Rutherford—my wife"—the introduction was effected in very brief fashion by John Hannington who wanted to make his escape as soon as possible, but was annoyed to find his friends in no hurry to depart. Mr. Vereker always loved a pretty face, and he had heard enough of Molly's story to be curious about her. While Capt. Rutherford usually called Molly's story to his friends' ears, he had heard of her before, nor being remarkable for his appreciation of woman's beauty, amazed his companions not a little by seeming quite unable to take his eyes off Molly's face, and showing no disposition at all to hasten away.

Hannington was half-veiled, half-flattered by this evident admiration of his wife, and he wished very much that he had not acceded to his friends' desire to call on him on their way to a music hall and gambling house where he intended to spend the evening.

Molly was not greatly taken by the appearance of Donald Vereker who had lately grown round and fat, and was too jovial looking for her taste. But she found Capt. Rutherford attractive. He was a man of five or six and twenty, tall, fair, broad-shouldered and muscular, with a skin bronzed by exposure to sun and air; he had fair hair and a fair mustache, and his blue eyes, though not particularly beautiful in shape or color, were so frank and honest and manly, that it was a pleasure to look at them. He had a gentle, pleasant, way of talking and smiling, moreover, and he managed to make himself very agreeable during the few minutes of his stay in Mrs. Hannington's sitting room, although he spoke neither so much nor so loudly as the Honorable Don.

"Well, I don't wish to hurry you," said Hannington at length, doing his best to speak pleasantly, "but I think we had better be off."

"And are we going to leave Mrs. Hannington all by herself?" said Donald Vereker. "That's hard lines, isn't it?"

"She is an ardent novel reader," said Hannington, with a smile. "She will be absorbed in her three volumes as soon as we are out of the door; won't you, Molly?"

"If it is a nice one," said Molly, smiling back brightly. "I am afraid it won't be quite as nice as the Lyceum." "Did you want to go to the Lyceum, then?" said Mr. Vereker.

"Oh, we had tickets for tonight," replied guileless Molly, "but as Jack had a business engagement he could not go, so I—and she laughed a little—"am left at home lamenting."

There was a very slight pause, in which it dawned upon Molly that she had said the wrong thing. Her husband's face had grown white with anger; Mr. Rutherford had turned aside and was fingering his mustache. Both visitors knew that Hannington's engagement was one of pleasure, and not of business at all. If Molly had been a plain and insignificant creature, Donald Vereker would have considered her ignorance rather a joke than otherwise. But for such a very pretty woman to be left to cry her eyes out over Jack Hannington's absence (he was sure that she had been crying when they entered) was, after all, rather a shame. What Charlie Rutherford thought of the matter did not transpire; but there was a steady look in his blue eyes which might have proceeded from indignation when he turned round again.

"Oh, look here!" cried Donald. "We'll give up our engagement; it's important as it is," and he bestowed a facetious wink upon Hannington, which annoyed that gentleman very much indeed, "and we

will escort Mrs. Hannington to the Lyceum. What have you got—stalls, a box? If it is a box we can all go, you know."

"It is not a box, unfortunately," said Jack coldly. "We had stalls, I am exceedingly sorry, but even if your engagement is not of pressing importance, mine is, and I cannot give it up."

Mr. Vereker burst out laughing. "I'm afraid mine is as important as yours," he said in a low tone of suppressed enjoyment, which Molly could not understand. "Oh, it is of no consequence," she said hurriedly. "I shall be quite happy and comfortable here at home; and we shall have plenty of other chances of seeing Irving, shall we not, Jack?" "You see," she added with a prettily apologetic air, "I have never been in London before, and I keep forgetting that I am not going away again—just yet."

"Can I be of no use?" said Capt. Rutherford eagerly. "Perhaps I might be allowed to escort Mrs. Hannington to the Lyceum? I'm—looking full at Hannington—have no engagement of any kind, as Mr. Vereker knows. I was now on my way home, and shall be delighted if I may have the honor."

"Very kind of you, I'm sure, Charlie," said Hannington. "Well, if you don't mind the trouble, my wife will be charmed. It is rather a pity to sacrifice two tickets."

Molly looked anything but charmed. Married woman as she was, and under John Hannington's tuition, she was very ignorant of the theater with its position. To go to the theater with a young man whom she had never seen in her life before seemed to her a startling prospect. She would very much liked to ask him to take her to the Lyceum, but she was too shy to do so; but as such a question was impossible, she could only look at him and Capt. Rutherford in turn with such wide-eyed dismay that they both began to laugh, and felt it incumbent upon him to offer some excuse for her gaucherie.

"My wife is quite taken back by this pleasant surprise," he said coolly, "but she will not do so. I assure you, if you will take her to the Lyceum, it will be a great pleasure to me. I will send for a cab at once."

Under cover of this excuse he followed her into the next room, and there spoke somewhat sharply. "You may as well say a civil word to Charlie Rutherford, Molly; don't behave like a girl in the schoolroom, for goodness sake."

Y. M. C. A. SECRETARIES.

Opening Session of the International Annual Conference.

Hartford, Conn., May 14.—The first regular session of the annual conference of the General Secretaries Association of North America began this morning. J. R. Mott, of New York, the speaker who aroused such enthusiasm at the big meeting in London last year, presided.

The executive committee of the association is composed of L. W. Messer, Chicago; H. P. Anderson, Atlanta, Ga.; W. G. Lotze, Denver, Col.; W. E. Day, Dayton, O.; F. H. Thatcher, Buffalo, T. F. Best, Brantford, Ont., and F. W. Ober, Omaha.

BATTLE CREEK RECALLED.

An Ex-Conductor Charged With Wrecking the C. and G. T. R. Train.

Holly, Mich., May 14.—W. H. Smith, an ex-conductor of the Chicago and Grand Trunk Railroad, was arrested at the home of his father near here this morning, charged with wrecking a Grand Trunk train at Battle Creek during the A. R. U. troubles in July last year, in which the fireman, Thomas Crowe, was killed and many passengers were injured. Smith disappeared at the time, and has been in hiding since. He was taken to Battle Creek.

MOUNT BRYDGES.

"Advertiser" Agent, T. Pearce, P.M. May 13.—Rev. Ingram Bill, jun., Canada's boy orator, preached in the Baptist Church on Sunday. He will lecture in the town hall on Wednesday evening on the subject, "London as seen by boyish eyes."

The Oddfellows on Sunday afternoon celebrated the 76th anniversary of the order by attending divine service in St. Jude's Episcopal Church. Rev. Bro. Lowe, of Glenora, preached an interesting sermon from Hebrews xi, 24-28. Quite a number from London and Strathroy joined the Mount Brydges brethren, and the weather being favorable, "the little church" had been the corner of the Mount Brydges brethren.

The frost on Sunday night did an immense amount of damage to the fruit, especially to the apples and grapes. The gardeners also lost a share, and those who had tomato plants set out with the intention of boasting of the earliest tomatoes will have to plant again.

ST. VITUS DANCE. A Malady that Has Long Baffled Medical Skill.

A Speedy Cure for the Trouble at Last Discovered—The Particulars of the Cure of a Little Girl, Who Was a Severe Sufferer.

(From the Ottawa Journal.) In a handsome brick residence on the 10th line of Goulburn township, Guelph county, lives Mr. Thomas Bradley, one of Goulburn's most successful farmers.

Mr. Bradley's family is a bright little family of eight years of age, who had been a severe sufferer from St. Vitus dance, and who had been treated by physicians without any beneficial results. Having learned that the little one had been fully cured to health by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, a correspondent of the Journal called at the family residence for the purpose of ascertaining the facts, and found the little girl a picture of brightness and good health. Mrs. Faulkner, sister of the little one, gave the following information: "About eighteen months ago Alivia was attacked by that terrible malady, St. Vitus dance, and became so bad that we called in two doctors, who held out no hope to us for her ultimate cure, and she was so badly affected with the 'dances' as to require all the time we read the Ottawa Journal of a similar case cured by the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills, which gave us renewed hope. We procured a couple of boxes, and before these were all used there was a perceptible improvement. After using six boxes more she was entirely free from the disease, and as you can see is enjoying the best of health. Several months have passed since the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills was discontinued, but there has been no return of the malady, nor any symptom of it. We are quite certain Dr. Williams' Pink Pills cured her, and strongly recommend them in similar cases."

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THE NIAGARA DYNAMOS. Niagara Falls, N. Y., May 14.—No power was delivered from the dynamo until the second is installed. The work on the second is about three-fourths done, so it is likely that no power will be delivered for two months or more.

LOST. Albany, N. Y., May 14.—The vote announced in the Senate on the final passage of the New York City Police Reorganization Bill was: Ayes, 16; noes, 16, the same as on the motion to recommend. The bill was declared lost, seven votes being necessary to pass it. A motion to reconsider the vote was tabled.

IN RE GAME LAWS. Albany, N. Y., May 14.—In the Senate today Senator Childs offered a resolution empowering the fish and game commissioners to visit Canada and elsewhere and employ a clerk with a view to harmonizing the laws of the several countries. Senator Donaldson said that as chairman of the commissioners he had received many requests for such action.

A Spanish paper in the Pyrenees regularly suspends publication in hot weather.

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OIL SPRINGS.

"Advertiser" Agent, Thomas Smith.

May 13.—"Enlisted for the War," will be presented by Oil Springs Dramatic Club on May 22. Some changes have been made in the organization since the production of their last play, and only about three or four of the old members remain in the company. This date. Their rehearsals have continued, however, and they will be prepared to introduce the result of their practice on the above date. A good house, as on their previous appearance, will doubtless meet the performers.

Mrs. Alex. Johnston, wife of Reeve Johnston, is seriously ill with malarial fever and inflammation of the bowels. The grain warehouse that is being erected here by Messrs. Tolson Bros., of Melbourne, is nearing completion, and a want that has long been felt in the village is now to be supplied. The building has capacity for some 10,000 or 12,000 bushels of grain, and is conveniently situated at the corner of the M. C. R. track and Victoria avenue. The firm will be ready to handle this season's grain, and it is expected the farmers of this vicinity will largely show their appreciation of a local market for their commodities. In all probability the majority of the general stores of the village will give up keeping grain and feed, which they now handle, and give the trade in that line over to the new institution, where it properly belongs, but up to date the merchants have been obliged to carry it.

Several changes in oil property have taken place here recently as a result of the increased price of crude oil. A number of drilling rigs are at work through the territory, and all producers are exultant over the change the market has taken in the past year. Although the price is now 12 or 15 cents less than this date than two weeks previous, the opinion is that it will remain above \$1.50 per barrel. A joint stock company has been formed among some farmers in Dawn township, and prospecting is to be started shortly in the vicinity of the Erie and Huron on the 11th concession. Mr. D. Benfield has been engaged as driller, and his rig is now being moved from Ridgeway, and operations will be commenced as soon as it arrives.

Mr. James Logan, a young man of this village, is lying at the point of death at Edgelyville, about three miles from here. About two weeks ago while at work in a Bleunheim mill, he burst a blood vessel, which his physicians state will cause his death. He was brought to Edgelyville after the accident, and although all that human aid controls has been done his death is hourly expected.

The O'Banyoun singers hold a song service in the Methodist Church next Sunday, and the Rev. Mr. O'Banyoun will preach the pulpit at both services. The troupe will give a concert on the following Monday night in the Masonic Hall.

IN THE WEST.

Word from the Northwest Territories About a Marvel of Modern Science.

Calgary, May 15.—The fame of Dodd's Kidney Pills has spread all over the Northwest, and they have come into universal use, being found in almost every farmhouse and village throughout the territories. The cures of Kent, Drs. Rose and McCormick, Rymal, Fish, and dozens of others have been eagerly read, and have consequently produced a large demand. People are becoming convinced that a very large percentage of disease may be traced, as it was in these cases, to the action of the kidneys in failing to do their proper work and inducing rheumatism, paralysis, Bright's disease, diabetes and blood poisoning.

ANOTHER VICTIM. Collector—See here, when are you going to do anything on this account?

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