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# The Puzzling Pretty Widow

CHAPTER IV. While Mabin was still talking to Runolph in the road between The Towers and Stone House, a tall parlor-maid, in snow-white French cap and ends passed them, on her way from the former to the latter house, bearing a letter in that you should be in such a hurry to the latter house, bearing a letter in that you should be in such a hurry to go there!" objected Ethel. "But person heaten."

found that the Powers had aiready received Mrs. Dale's invitation to Mabin. In truth, it had put both husband and wife into a position of some difficulty. For while on the one hand they were delighted at this opportunity of getting "the one too many" off their hands for a time, yet there were the opinions of their neighbors to be considered ; and the tide of public feeling had set in strongly against the lady

If her hair had been dank instead of fair it would have made all the difference. The beauty which goes with brown hair and a more or less dark complexion is not so startling, not so sensational, as the loveliness of pink ther he still thought that the fair tenand white and gold which made Mrs. Dale so conspicuous. If, again, she had not been in mourning, and such pretty mourning, they would have been readier to make allowances for her eccentricities. But the knowing ones had begun to discover that there were discrepancies in her attire, that her mourning was either too deep for diamond rings to be permissible, or not deep enough for the heavy black veil

So that, in short, it was now almost universally admitted that this person time, or without unnecessary hurry. with the too showy carriage and horses and the dangerously pretty face, was friend, Mrs. Haybrow, was expected on an individual to be avoided; and it a short visit before the migration fail-was decided that her reluctance to en- ed to check the fury of the packers. It ter the best society of the place, ing arms to her, arose from a wholesome fear that the wise women of

the place would "find her out." through very slowly, as if trying to discover hidden meanings in its sim- Mrs. Haybrow, through her connections

"Well, my dear, and what do you think?" asked he. It pleased him to ask her opinion thus on most things, not that he ever the invitation to his daughter, and to had any intention of heeding her accept it. wishes in preference to his own, but in

to give him an impetus in the opposite her. Mabin, wondering whether the the most important, and considering it, "I think, dear, that it would hardly do," murmured the lady, hoping that hobbling along the garden path, rather think that much importance should be with her views. "You must have heard the way in which people talk about this Mrs. Dale, so that it would be thought very strange if we let Mabin

stay with her. Don't you think it was rather underhand of her to get hold of the child this afternoon?" "Underhand! Certainly not," replied Mr. Rose, with decision. natural thing in the world, considering how kind she was to the girl at the time of her accident. And as for the talk of the place, why, if you listened to all the old women say, you would

your neighbors should think you were going to steal their hens!" There was a pause. She would not irritate him by another remark. So he presently went on: "I suppose you think the vicar's wife

would scold you?" "Not scold, of course; but I am sure she would disapprove," said Mrs. Rose "Ah. I thought so. Well, I will give

the old lady something to talk about then. Mabin shall stay with Mrs. Dale if she wishes." "She will wish it, of course. Girls always wish to do the very things which are not proper for hem." "You may be quite satisfied. Emily, that what I allow my daughter to do

is quite proper." said Mr. Rose, severely, as he left the room. Mrs. Rose sighed. She had not told him, because it would have been of no use, that she had to be more particu-Lar than he about Mabin, because, being the girl's step-mother only, she was the more exposed to the gossip of the neighborhood-a fear she dreadedthan her husband was. But she vented

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fault was hers and her father's. Mabin received these remarks meek-

ly, rejoicing in the approaching holicomplain of in her treatment under her father's roof, but the snubs of her father, the tacit dislike of her step-mother, and the fact that the difference in age between her half-sisters and herself left her much alone, all combined to make her welcome the change. Emily and Ethel, who were 14 and 12 years of age, insipid and spiritless young persons, with little brown eyes

and little brown pigtails, teased her with questions about her visit of the "Is it true that her hair's dyed? asked Emily, getting Mabin into a corner after tea.

"No, of course it's not," was the indignant answer. "Oh, well, you needn't be so angry. and that she knew the very stuff she

"What is the house like inside, Ma-bin?" asked Ethel, who, though only 12, was quite as great a gossip as there was in the parish.

"Why, there were chair and tables in it, just as there are in every other house. What do you suppose it was "Mabin, don't snub the children.

Their interest is very natural," said Mrs. Rose, previshly, from the other end of the room "Horsehair and mahogany, red moreen curtains and a black marble clock on the mantelpiece," said Mabin la-

haps the other rooms are better." But Mabin was really just a little bit alarmed at her own good fortune in getting her father's consent so easily. She had a superstitious feeling, in spite of her reputed strength of mind, that anything worth having ought to rather difficult to get. In spite of all her loyalty to her heroine, too, she thought more often than she wished about Rudolph's ridiculous fancy that Mrs. Dale was watched. And although she always dismissed the thought by saying to herself that Rudolph was in love with the lovely widow, and therefore fancied things, she was anxious to meet him again, and to learn whe-

ant of The Towers was being watch-In the meantime, great confusion reigned at the Stone House. Everybody was immersed in the horrors of "packing up," and it was impossible to go upstairs without encountering people staggering under the burden of a heap of things which would have been better left behind. Even the authority of Mr. Rose, who disliked the daily routine to be disturbed, failed to get any meal eaten at the proper Even the fact that Mrs. Rose's old was fortunate that she should come at that society had held out its uninvit- such a time, certainly. But Mrs. Rose reckoned on inflaming her friend's mind with her own zeal, and inwardly proposed orgies of competitive trunk-Mr. Rose read Mrs. Dale's note twice filling to while away the visitor's time. gave as first choice the plans of Arch-Mrs. Rose secretly hoped, too, that who was watching him rather anxi- her husband with proofs that Mrs. Dale was not a person to be encouraged. It was not yet too late to put off Mrs. Dale, although Mr. Rose had call-

ed upon that person to thank her for the hope that she would express some expected visit, and Mr. and Mrs. votes were plumpers. modest inclination one way or the other Rose had driven to the station to meet Ald. Wilkey said the she was a child, would be "nice," was a crutch, when she heard a great rustling of the branches of the lilac bushes, which grew close under the wall.

"Oh!" cried Malbin, with a little fluttering of the heart, "I—I thought you had gone back to your ship!"

"Why, so I had," replied Rudolph,

"The secretary found that of the pine

raising himself, so that she had a view of his shoulders as well as his head, "but I've come back again, you see." "I can guess what brought you," said Mabin, wishing the next moment that never go outside your door for fear she had not uttered the words. Rudolph took her up quickly. "Can you? Well, then, what was it?"

Mabin blushed scarlet. Cf course, the to 26 in favor of McBride's plans. thought was in her mind that the charms of the fascinating widow had drawn him to Stone. And just the least twinge of nascent jealousy had given a sting of pique to her tone. But she rould not for the world have owned to this; and the mere thought that he might have guessed it was misery. As



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ver as you suppose," he said. "And I sistance they would give, and on what don't choose to tell you what brought terms. Carried. me back. But I may just warn you that you are likely to get tired of the day. She had nothing very serious to sight of me before I do go away altogether, as I can get away as much as I like while my ship is at Portsmouth.

Rather alarmbing prospect, isn't it?" "You will get tired of being on shore?" won't you?" asked Mabin, not feeling equal to answering him in his own tone, which was what her parents and the Vicarage people would have called "flippant."

"That depends," said Rudolph, looking down with interest at the driedup blossoms of the lilac trees. (To be Continued.)

## Plans Were

Something Was Done by the Hospital Committee.

McBride & Farncombe's Design Was Approved by It.

Their Preamble Ended-Balloting by the Doctors Close-Another Meeting Friday.

The hospital building committee did something last night. And when they got "going," they covered a good deal of ground. (McBride & Farncombe's plans for the new building were adopted, Mr. McBride was appointed the architect to superintend its construction, the building was named the Victoria Hospital, and other details were

considered. The doctors, when they balloted on the several plans Good Friday night were not of the one mind apparently that they were supposed to be. Fortytwo of them had previously declared in favor of the trust plans, yet the ballots showed only 24 in favor of the trust plans, while there were 20 in favor of McBride & Farncombe's plans. All the members were present, and Ald. Winnett was also on hand.

The chairman, Ald. Carrothers, reported on the meeting of the medical men Friday night, and said that he and the secretary had opened the ballotbox during the afternoon, and were ready to announce the result, which the secretary then reported as follows: 

second choices in each case be added together, and the results compared. Ald. Hunt considered that would be unfair. It would be better, he argued, itect Matthews, and the one for Architect Bodley, had been marked with reference to the McBride, and Moore & Henry plans.

The ballots were produced, and showbeen given to Mr. McBride's plans. Ald. McPhillips asked as to the number of ballots cast, and the chairman replied that 50 medical men had voted, It was the day of Mrs. Haybrow's and one ballot had been spoiled. Three

Moore & Henry's plans received within one vote of all the others. He did not attached to the second choice. The mayor held that the fact that the Craddock plan had received no firsts and nine seconds showed that And then above the wall she saw the there had been the intention on the part of some to knock out some other plan. He wanted the ballots looked up

The secretary found that of the nine, six voted for the Moore & Henry plan, two for the McBride & Farncombe and one for Bodley. The motion of the mayor to con-

sider the first and second choices to gether was put and carried. "Well," said the chairman, "you don't need long to count it up. It stands 28 Ald. Wilkey-I consider the Moore & Henry plans the choice of the medical men of the city. The Mayor-I don't look on it that

Ald. Wilkey-It is the first choice that ounts, and Moore & Henry's plans have received within one of all the others. I move that they be accepted. The Mayor-I move that McBride's plans be accepted.

The chairman said a seconder was necessary, and Ald. Jolly filled the bill. Ald. Gerry said the question was, Could McBride & Farncombe's plans be built for \$70,000? If it would not cost more than the Moore & Henry plan he would favor it, because there was more

Ald. Hunt and Ald. McPhillips wanted a secret vote, but the question as to whether or not it would be legal was raised and the proposal was with-Ald. Wilkey-The hospital trust has

been taking a great deal of pains, and we are ignoring them altogether. The Chairman-None of the trust have ever been here to see these plans. The question of cost was raised. The mayor said that Mr. McBride had figured it up very closely, and found that the cost would be \$69,300 on his plan. Ald. Hunt, in defining his position, said that while of the opinion that the medical profession was unanimous in their choice of one plan, he was prepared to stand by them. But the majority of four he did not consider of any im-

portance. The mayor and Ald. Wilkey each added to their motions provisos that the building be completed, including heating apparatus, for \$70,000. The mayor's motion carried, Ald. Wilkey voting nay.

"Make it unanimous," said the mayor. "No," said Ald. Wilkey. "My vote stands. But I am with you now." On motion of Ald. McPhillips, the name of the new hospital was unanimously fixed as the Victoria Hospital. A discussion as to the time of comple-

tion ensued. Seven months was stated as the probable time. Mr. McBride being sent for, was asked what percentage he would charge. He replied that he expected the usual fee of 5 per cent. But he would be willing to pay for a clerk of the works. Ald. Wilkey asked if it were not customary on a big job for the architect to charge less than 5 per cent. Mr. McBride said it was not. "Any architect who accepted less than 5 per

cent had no business in the association," he said.
Ald. McPhillips moved that the warden of the county council be notified of

Snaps in Wall Paper her ill-humor on Mabin herself, whom she informed very acidly that, if she chose to go to "this Mrs. Dale," and "I don't think you are quite as clegether to consider what financial asgether to consider what financial as-

It was thought the tenders ought to be in by the middle of May. Ald. Wilkey suggested that it was time for an invitation to be sent to the medical men to confer with Mr. Mc-Bride, and Ald. Hunt moved that the medical men be notified of the action of the committee, and that they be asked to send a deputation of two from the faculty of the Medical School and two from the profession outside of the school to confer with Mr. McBride, and report to the committee next Friday afternoon. On motion of Ald. McPhillips, Mr. McBride was appointed the

architect to superintend the construction of the new hospital, at a percentage not to exceed 5 per cent, and that Mr. MoBride pay the clerk of the Discussion as to the attitude of the children's pavilion committee and the

joint stock company took place, and on motion of Ald. McPhillips they will be notified of the adoption of plans for the building of a children's pavilion, and the architect was instructed to prepare plans and call for tenders for the same at the same time as the general hospital. Representatives were also invited to meet the committee next Friday.

Ald. Hunt raised the question as to what provision should be made for the patients now in the hospital, while the new building is being constructed, and the mayor moved that the hospital trust be invited to meet the committee next Friday.

Ald. Jolly moved that tenders be called for the work in bulk, and in three sections, also that tenders be asked separately from the different trades in bulk and in sections. Ald. Wilkey was opposed to bulk tenders being called, but Ald. Jolly's mo-Adjourned.

## CHURCH IS PLAGUED.

Winged Pest Drives a Baltimore Church Congregation Almost to

Despair. Baltimore, Md., April 12.-The rector, congregation and Sunday school of the Protestant Episcopal Church of All Saints, at the corner of Baltimore and Monroe streets, are almost in despair over an ever-increasing pest of winged bugs, which have made the lower rooms practically useless, says the American.

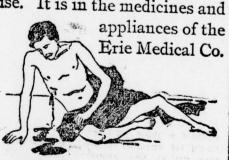
The bugs are here, there and everywhere in the Sunday school rooms, and they are not numbered by hundreds or by thousands, but by millions. The supply seems to be inexhaustible. They eat their way through the flooring, put holes in the carpet, and spread themselves over the floor so thickly as

ngregation know of the unwelcome settlers, for they are not mere visitors, as winged ants. Their bodies are very dissimilar from the general run of ants, however, though they crawl very much like the industrious little fellows which the careful housekeeper is always ou the lookout for.

The most peculiar part of the bug, outside of his audacity in taking up his residence in a church, is his wings. ed that in three the preference had the length of the body of the insect, There are two in number, about twice which is black in color and about the size of an ordinary ant. The wings, however, are white in color. When his bugship first makes his appearance through the floor of the church he is equipped with these flying facilities, but his first fly is nearly always fatal

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