

"PERIDITA." BY ROSA M. HERRING. I slipped my hand in the sea. Wretchedly! The sun shone red o'er castle and cave; Dreaming, I roamed on the sleepy wave; I drew a pearl from the sea, Wretchedly!

OF A DIFFERENT MIND. BY BRUCE M. STONEWELL. CHAPTER X.—[CONTINUED.] Felix Holden rested quietly upon the pillows of the bed. The terrified expression of his face had disappeared, which had for a few days so greatly altered it, and peace lay upon the handsome, but fallen away features.

Then, after a pause, as so reply came, the sick man continued: "Pray come and sit near me, Uncle Robert, I should like during the short time which still remains to me to have you always before me." A trembling hand was placed upon the brow upon which the shades of death had already rested. But in spite of the request, in a moment the priest removed no nearer to the bed.

"What are you doing, Uncle Robert?" "Oh, my God, I hardly know myself; I think I would pray." "Will you give me my medicine?" The trembling steps of the old man approached the bed, but his hands were so unsteady that he spilled the medicine upon the counterpane.

"I cannot realize that I must lose you, Felix," said Mr. Holden. "You have gained me, for now I am yours, I am with you. Should we not thank God that he has granted me to repair my guilt towards Northside by which I have rendered myself worthy of your irrepressible sacrifice for me?"

"Do not let us talk about that, Felix," said Mr. Holden. "I feel that now I for the first time partake of your spirit. Are you not glad of this, Uncle Robert?" "I feel only the pain, the deep pain of our separation, Felix," replied the priest, in the deepest sorrow.

"The last rays of the sun shone upon the wall of the churchyard. The birds sang in the trees, and the old sexton rang the Angelus. Felix raised his wonderful eyes and exclaimed: 'Uncle Robert, Uncle Robert! I am called!'" "These were his last words. His eyes closed, a smile was upon his lips, his hand held that of the old priest. His soul floated away, prepared for eternity by repentance, confession, and a holy death.

"All's Well That Ends Well." Edgar Thornton had made a highly important discovery, and one that troubled him. He was a surgeon and was given to examining hearts. For a full hour in the gathering summer twilight of the park, he had applied his facilities to the testing, in another sense of his own. The decision to which, very unwittingly, he came, was that his dim suspicion of the past three months was well founded—he was in love.

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"The concentrated paths of the last sentence, and the involuntary sigh which concluded it, touched the selector. His meditated words of banter, and his meditated words of banter, were pretty or plain, would make Miss Mackay an attraction to most suitors." "I am aware of it. But I am not like the majority; I am poor, my prospects are barren enough; all the world would say I am a fortune hunter."

"There was a sale at Brissy Lodge, and in due course one of the Lunenburg manufacturer's sons, who had recently married, came down and was installed as his father's representative." "Edgar Thornton had arranged that Kate should reside in London with his sisters until such an interval had passed as to enable her to visit him either walking or visiting the one he had intended to avoid. To say the truth, he did not seek those meetings, still they occurred. On one occasion, especially when he was paying a professional visit to the wife of a friend who was now convalescent, he found Kate seated on a couch in the drawing room enjoying a cup of afternoon tea with his patient. He was asked to join, and fancying he had quite overcome his foolish fancy to marry Kate, he did not hesitate to accept the invitation.

"Very charming was the questioner and it was no wonder that Thornton was once more magnetized." "I sincerely trust so, Miss Mackay," he replied. "Of course I dare not disguise from you that there is risk—grave risk, that is inseparable from such cases; but I do not see the least reason for despair. Pray, do not worry yourself unnecessarily."

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"The saddest experience of my youth," he said, "came through misplaced confidence. Very early I vowed that mistake should in no shape ever be mine; that nobody should ever force fortune hunting of that kind in my teeth. And yet—with a smile of infinite content—I am not certain, Kate, after all, whether love would not have beaten me in the end."

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