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THE MAYFIELD MYSTERY.

[CONCLUDED.]

The voice of her son did restore her; and it is needless to say with what joy that fond mother welcomed back her lost treasure. It was a full hour before any of them could talk coherently; and then Edward, in reply to a legion of questions, said, "I was persuaded to gamble for one hour once; and as I won, and would go away, a young scoundrel of the name of Petrus followed me and pushed me all unawares over a precipice."

"Ah, my dear," said the mother, "we know all that."

"You do, mother?"

"Yes, and about the pool—the fathomless pool into which it was thought you sunk."

"Oh, dear no, I did not sink into it, and nobody thought so. I slid down twenty yards along the face of the precipice, and caught at some weeds in the face of the rock, and by rare good fortune climbed up again. The rascal Petrus left the island that same night, no doubt supposing he had murdered me, but beyond a few scratches I was none the worse."

"My son—my boy!"

"God bless you, Edward!"

"But who was or who is that person," said Edward, "who jumped through the window as I came in?"

"Bless us!" exclaimed both Mr. and Mrs. Cattley, at once; "we forgot Pierre!"

"Who is Pierre?"

"Your friend, my dear, who thought you were drowned in the pool—your friend, Pierre St. George. Oh, run out, and see if he is hurt."

"Stop!" said Edward. "Is he slight and thin? I only saw him on the top of the steps for half a second."

"He is—he is!"

"Has he a scar on his left brow?"

"Oh, yes, yes!"

"Ah, then that is Petrus, who would make me play, and then push me over the precipice. Dear father and mother, I see it all now! The villain, thinking me dead, came to you, and by his specious cunning, got you to adopt him. He is stained by a hundred crimes. You have indeed taken a viper to your bosoms."

The Cattleys were aghast with surprise and fright at the knowledge that they had been actually for so long cherishing the man who had attempted the life of their own son. An eager search was made over the entire neighborhood, but no trace of the fugitive could be found; and in the joy of the recovery of their real son, the Cattleys would soon have ceased to think of their adopted one.

But Petrus alias Pierre St. George had not done yet with the Cattleys.

That he entertained the most deady hatred against Edward Cattley there could be no doubt; and that he would gladly give his own life, if it would enable that hatred to be the destruction of Edward, was evident.

Stained by many crimes in the Mauritius, which made his return to those islands certain death, Petrus felt that his only chance was the one which he had so successfully for a time carried out at the Cattleys.

That chance gone by—through the (to him) most unexpected reappearance of Edward—he evidently gave himself up to despair and death; but it will be seen how even in death he hoped to be the fate and the bane of Edward Cattley.

About two days after the return of Edward to Mayfield House, there was found, partially embedded in the lower part of the haystack which stood in the meadow we have mentioned as adjoining the garden of the house, a dead body.

The labering man who first saw it fled with terror to the nearest public house and spread an alarm, so that before the Cattleys knew anything of it, the ten-acre meadow was full of people, and a constable had been sent for, and the body was laid on a hurdle, to be conveyed somewhere, in order that an inquest should be held upon it.

Mr. Cattley and his son ran out of the house to the field to see what was the matter, and they both recognized the body.

"It is Pierre!" said Mr. Cattley.

"It is Pretrus!" said his son.

But now we must describe what remarkable appearances the body presented.

In the chest was still thrust a small Indian dagger, which had evidently been the cause of his death, for it had touched the heart.

In one hand of the dead man was some hair, which seemed to have been wrenched from the head of some one, during the progress of a mortal struggle.

In a pocket-book that was found upon the body, there were several—three in all—acknowledgments for money, signed Edward Cattley, and amounting in all to the sum of seven thousand pounds.

When these circumstances were taken into consideration—at the roadside public house, where the dead body was taken to—by an attorney in the neighborhood, named Watson, who had been at enmity with the Cattleys for some time, about a real or supposed right of way over the ten-acre meadow, he ran off to the nearest magistrate, and after a consultation, got a warrant for the arrest of Edward Cattley.

At the inquest the next day, the hair that was found clutched in the hand of the dead man was found to be so exactly the color and quality of Edward's, that no one could doubt it to be other than his.

The Indian poniard he admitted was his own.

The acknowledgments for the seven thousand pounds, dated from the Mauritius, and found in the pocket-book of the dead man, he declared to be forgeries.

But after a very long inquiry, Edward was committed on the coroner's warrant, for willful murder, on the following grounds:

That he had, in the pursuit of Petrus, after he, Petrus, had sprung through the window, at his father's house, come upon him in the ten-acre field, and after a struggle murdered him, and half concealed the body in the haystack.

The motive of the murder was presumed to lie in the fact that Petrus had the acknowledgments for money, no doubt—as the coroner took upon himself to say—lost at play in the Mauritius by Edward Cattley to Petrus, with whom he acknowledged to have had a gaming transaction.

Such, then, was the case against Edward Cattley, and when I was retained for the defense I had an interview with him.

The Government prosecuted, because killing is murder in this country, whether the person killed be a British subject or not, and whatever may be the character of the slain individual, unless some circumstances can be shown which will convert the act into a justifiable homicide.

Edward Cattley's statement to me was most clearly and distinctly that he never met or saw Petrus after his evasion of him by leaping through the dining-room window.

The poinard he avowed was his, but he had not seen it since he came home; and had, on the occasion of his leaving home for the Mauritius, left it in his dressing-room, at Mayfield House.

The hair, he admitted, was wonderfully like his, only that he did not wear his hair so long as to admit of so much being torn from his head in any struggle.

The acknowledgments for the money he knew nothing of, as he had never played with Petrus but the once, for the one hour, when he won two hundred pounds.

I was quite convinced myself of Edward Cattley's entire innocence of any part in the death of Petrus, but still there were the facts for the jury. Edward *had* been into his old dressing-room before the pursuit and search for Petrus, and so *might* have possessed himself of the poinard. He might not be telling the truth about the gambling matters; he might have cropped his hair somewhat shorter after the murder

All these were uncomfortable suppositions, and by the time the trial of Edward Cattley came on, I felt very uneasy on the subject. I never held a brief in a case which I felt depended more upon the humor of the jury than this one; and when in Court I saw a small box on the barrister's table, in which was the hair which the murdered man in his death struggles might be supposed to have torn from the head of the murderer, and when the identity of that hair would, I knew, be sworn to by competent persons, with Edward Cattley's, I felt full of fears.

And I must confess that I had no means of satisfying either Judge or jury, by any reasonable hypothesis on the subject, of the innocence of Edward. I felt that there was some mystery in the whole affair, but what it was, puzzled me exceedingly.

It was to come out, though, and it did come out in the most marvellous manner.

The Attorney-General conducted the case for the prosecution, I thought, with too much animus against the prisoner, and made too much of the "death-struggle, in which Providence decreed that the murdered man should hold in his dead hand the evidence of the identity of his murderer."

In fact, this handful of hair was the thing that made all the impression against Edward.

And we, who were for the defense, had nothing to say to the case, but a simple denial of ever seeing or meeting the dead man in the ten-acre field, or anywhere else, after he had leaped through the window at Mayfield House.

Everything was going wrong at the trial. The judge looked ominous; the jury grave. I anticipated a verdict certainly of manslaughter, when I saw a dirty and mysterious bit of paper handed from usher to usher, and finally to the Judge through the hands of his clerk.

Then the Judge, after reading it, handed it down to the Attorney General, who then handed it to me

The dirty bit of paper contained the following words, in the following orthography:

"Bil Simms has seed the go will be a heavydents cos wy he hisent toe be nabbed for the cendri go. Ees in-cort."

This was a most incomprehensible epistle, and I looked at the Judge with a puzzled air. Then the Judge spoke.

"A paper has been handed to the Court," he said, "which seems to imply that one Bill Simms is in possession of evidence in this case. I can only say, that if such a person comes forward, and incurs peril by so doing, I will do my best to hold him harmless."

"Here you are!" said a voice, and a man in that indescribable costume of half tramp, half gipsy, which is looked upon with so much suspicion in suburban districts, made his appearance. "Here you are! I'm Bill Simms. I'll take your word, my Lord Judge. Go it."

"Swear that man," said the Judge, "if he has evidence to give."

"All's right! Folks hobjects to my swearing in usual, but here goes!"

"What have you to say?"

"All's right! I'm a tramp. Well, in lighting my pipe I set ablaze old Farmer Webster's corn-stack, down by Mill Hill Lane; so as I knows a poor fellow has no chances, I cuts and runs, and hides a top o' Muster Cattley's haystack; and I stays there all day as snug as may be, and a goodish bit of the evening; and at last a chap he comes into the field, and he creeps down by the bottom of the stack, and he says, says he, 'In death,' says he, 'I find vengeance! This hair from the packet in the cabinet, clutched in a dead man's hand, will be death to him! This dagger is his! Farewell, world I hate; I shall, perhaps, yet know of vengeance from the grave.' Arter that, gents all, he gives a sort of a howl and two shrieks, and then all was as still as smoke. That's it!"

No sooner had Bill Simms ceased speaking, than Edward Cattley called out, "I know the mystery of the hair. Before I went to the Mauritius I cut off my long hair, and now I recollect my mother took it, and said she would preserve it in a cabinet. The villain Petrus, during his residence in the house, has got at it. It is clear to me now."

There was a distinct clapping of hands in the court at this.

The Judge looked at the Attorney General, who at once said, "The proseeution is abandoned, my lord"

Edward Cattley was free, and the body of the suicide was buried where four roads met, not far from old Hendon Church, at midnight.

And the strong case that circumstances got up against Edward Cattley afforded another instance of how dangerous it is to jeopardize life and liberty upon an evidence, however apparently conclusive, that admits of any possible explanation consistent with innocence.

JANE'S VALENTINE.

BY MRS. WARNER.

What a singular tableau! Three beautiful girls convulsed with laughter, and one plain-faced maiden bathed in tears. It was St. Valentine's Eve. Missive after missive had been brought into the back parlor at Judge Milford's by the obsequious waiter. Some of these offerings were large and expensive; some tiny and delicate; some replete with flattery; some redolent with perfumery; all eminently silly. But none of these had occasioned the mirth of the trio, or the grief of the one. Some vulgar person has sent a vile caricature to the plain sister, accompanied by an exaggerated description of her ugliness, in verse.

It was quite painful enough to Jane to know that she possessed no claim to personal beauty. Could she have lost sight of that fact she would have appeared very differently at times. But her sisters always managed to bring their own prettiness into such forcible contrast with her plainness, that she was rarely free from a nervous sort of consciousness of her personal defects.

But she had good sense and a patient spirit, which they had not. Still, when they grew so merry over her solitary Valentine, she finally burst into tears, in spite of all her efforts to the contrary; for Jane was in the habit of controling her emotions when wounded and heart-sore, until safely concealed in her own room.

"Look!" exclaimed Isabel, opening her large black eyes to their utmost capacity, "the child is really weeping. Why, Jane! you are more like the picture than ever. You would never do for a heroine in a novel, for they are always represented as irresistible in tears."

"Mercy! how red your eyes are," ejaculated azure-orbed Clara. "You do look frightful!"

"The poor child can't help being ugly!" interposed Fanny, gazing complacently into the mirror opposite, where her red lips and auburn ringlets were advantageously reflected.

"That is just what pains me," sobbed Jane. "Because God saw fit to create me plain, I do not see why I should be made the butt of every coarse jest. I suppose I have feelings like other people. Should my faults of temper or omissions of duty be chosen as subjects of ridicule, I am sure I would not complain; but to ridicule my personal appearance, I think, savors of coarseness and ignorance."

Isabel's black eyes flashed. Jane, the youngest of them all, always so submissive, always so humble, to burst out so suddenly, with so pointed a declaration!

"Mr. Lee, in the drawing-room, wishes to see Miss Jane," announced the servant at this juncture.

"Are you certain he said Jane?" demanded Clara.

"Yes, mam," replied the waiter.

"Lottie is ill again, no doubt," suggested Fanny. "Jane is such an excellent nurse;" and Isabel added, "I wish cousin Charles had come in to spend the evening in a sociable way."

It would certainly have been very agreeable, for Charles Lee was rich, fine-looking, and intelligent; a widower and remotely related to Milfords. No wonder the three graces at Milford Hall found cousin Charles an interesting gentleman, his little daughter Lottie a perfect angel, and his countryseat a terrestrial Paradise.

Jane loitered on the way to the drawing-room, striving to efface all traces of her recent grief. "Is Lottie ill?" interrogated she, as Mr. Lee approached her.

"No, Jane," he replied, "Lottie is well, but in want."

"In want!" Jane repeated.

"Yes, in want of a mother, and I of a wife, and I have come here to-night to offer myself to little Jane Milford as her Valentine for life, if she will accept a man old enough to be her father."

"Why, I am very plain!" she faltered forth; "I have just received the most horrid caricature you ever saw, in consideration of my claims to extraordinary ugliness."

"I recollect thinking you plain when I first saw you," he replied; "but now, in my eyes, you are the prettiest of the four. Besides, I do not base my preferences on personal beauty. You are good, gentle, and sweet-toned; and I love you. But about the Valentine—do you consider me particularly ill-looking?"

"You, Mr. Lee!" said Jane, innocently; "why, you are handsome"

"Well, I received a Valentine to-day quite as grotesque as your own, I'll be bound," and he unfolded a sheet, revealing a lone widower shivering over a miserable fire. "But this awakened me to a sense of my desolate condition, and I determined to appeal to you, notwithstanding my fear of your reply, when I considered my thirty-six and your eighteen years. Is that a barrier, dear Jane?"

Dear Jane! What a charm lingered all around those two little words! Who had ever pronounced them so sweetly and before? No one, she was positive; and she naively replied:

"Oh! I should never think of that."

"What can keep Jane so long?" said Clara, restlessly, "I can't think for my life what cousin Charles could want."

Jane entered the room just as she had spoken these words.

"Where is Cousin Charles?" queried Fanny.

"In the study with papa," was the answer; and, taking a light, Jane glided from the room to be alone with her new happiness.

The next morning, wonder, chagrin and disappointment could be discovered in the faces of the three sisters, on hearing their father congratulate Jane on the very eligible match she had made. "For," said he, "I have always hoped to see Charles Lee my son-in-law, and, though you are no beauty, I think he has manifested good sense in his selection."

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TREASURY DEPARTMENT, December 22, 1860.

SEALED PROPOSALS will be received at this Department until the 22d day of February, A. D. 1861, at 12 o'clock at noon, for the construction of the Philadelphia Court-House and Post Office, according to the plans and specifications prepared at this Department.

These proposals must be for the whole work; but each portion of the work and the amount thereof must be separately stated in the bid; the respective amount for each kind of work carried out, and the total amount stated; the Department reserving the right to reject or accept the proposals hereby invited, or any parts thereof, when it deems the interest of the United States requires it; the Department also reserves the right to exclude the bids of any person or persons whom there is just cause to believe will not faithfully perform the contracts, or which they have attempted to obtain by indirection; and all bids when there shall be parties in interest who do not join in the bids, and all bids that, upon investigation, are below a fair price for the work.

No contract will be awarded to bidders until details are furnished the Department of the prices of the different kinds of work and materials, which shall be subject to the revision of the Department, so that the gross bid shall be equitably apportioned upon the whole work to guide the Department in making payments.

Ninety per cent. of the amount of work done and materials delivered, according to contract price, (said amount to be ascertained by the estimate of an agent of the Department appointed for that purpose,) will be paid from time to time as the work progresses, and ten per cent. retained until the completion of the contract and acceptance of the work, &c., by the agent aforesaid, and be forfeited in the event of non-fulfilment of contract.

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Plans, specifications and working drawings can be examined after forty days, and other information obtained on application to the Department.

The proposals must be sent to this Department, addressed to the Secretary of the Treasury, (*endorsed "Proposals for the Philadelphia Court House and Post Office,"*) and will be opened at 1 o'clock p. m., of the last day named for receiving the same, in the presence of the bidders, if any choose to attend.
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