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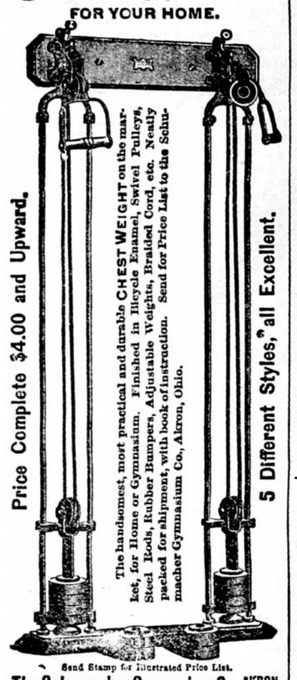

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Where unheard and unfelt are the tempests of time,
Where dear ones are breathing the soft, fragrant air:
O Lord of the land, may we safe enter there!
—Anna H. Gray, in Woman's Journal.

The Red Ribbon.

By EDWARD CADOL.

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UNCLE FRED was simply a very nice fellow whose name was Frederick Barrois. He was of a good disposition; that could be read on his youthful face. Such a youthful face, that in seeing the narrow red ribbon on his buttonhole, people sometimes asked him for his story. And he, to avoid the embarrassment felt in speaking of oneself, answered somewhat maliciously:

"I was born twenty-six years ago, and since then—nothing ever happened to me."

But it was not so! It happened to him that he had bravely won this red ribbon, which showed so advantageously upon his breast. Having been sent to Tonquin as a cavalry officer he had freed a battery of artillery, which the enemies already believed in their possession.

Unfortunately it also happened to him during the fight that he had received a bullet in the side.

As he had been too recently appointed lieutenant to be promoted to the rank of captain he received instead the cross of the Legion of Honor, and this greatly helped to heal his wound. Still, however well healed it might have been, he remained very weak. He was sent home to become stronger.

And this is how, for the last fortnight, he had been living in clover at the home of his sister, Mme. Julia Duchemin, whose husband owned a glass-works at Boves, near Amiens.

Frederick was happy there, for he loved his sister and his sister loved him. There was but one drawback to his happiness; his brother-in-law, Jacques Duchemin, had been obliged to leave on the day following the young officer's arrival.

As a compensation, there was between the brother and the sister the latter's daughter, a girl just over five years of age, who appeared delighted with Uncle Fred and with the gold lace of his uniform, and for whose benefit Frederick became a boy again.

All the acquaintances they had—but with whom they sustained almost constant intercourse — were Mme. Bourgeois, a widow, and her daughter Antoinette, a young girl of eighteen.

How pretty she was!—not so much in regularity of feature, but in her simplicity, her natural grace, her personal charm.

As for Mme. Bourgeois, she was kindness itself; but a jovial, indulgent, sensible, smiling kindness.

Mother and daughter were a charming pair.

That is what our young man had ascertained at once, to his no small satisfaction. He found an attraction he had never before experienced in meeting these ladies. Were they late in coming? Time seemed heavy to him. And if his sister advised him to go for them, off he went at once.

It was not far, it is true. Three hundred yards from the glass works. They lived in a large villa, surrounded by a fine park, which with the farms, the woods and the ponds belonged to the young girl in her own right, without counting other property which it was rumored amounted to over a million.

But Frederick did not care for that. It was the young girl's character which attracted him. Impossible to be bored in her presence. One could talk freely on numbers of subjects. Besides, she was not dull, and was well read. And how heartily she laughed, uttering sometimes very sharp remarks.

One morning, after breakfast, Frederick was smoking a cigar in the garden, by his sister's side, in whose skirts the little Martha was diligently curling her doll's wig.

At the table they had spoken of Antoinette, and now—now they still spoke of her. Then, after a moment of silence, Frederick said, with a sigh:

"What a pity she is so rich!"

"Why?" asked Julia, looking steadily at her brother with eyes full of anxiety.

Why? Forsooth! that was easily understood. Because without that the young man would have felt no scruples in avowing his love for Antoinette, and would have asked for her hand.

"What does it matter?" said his sister, with an inexplicable emotion.

Frederick replied:

"I beg your pardon! To woo a young girl you know to be a millionaire, when besides your salary you scarcely have three thousand a year, would not be acting like a gentleman."

To her brother's surprise, Julia did not answer. She had turned her head aside. He put his hand on her shoulder, with a heavy heart, exclaiming:

"You are crying! What is the matter? What ails you?"

"Nothing!" she replied, with a smile drowned in tears.

The young man kneeled before her and putting his arms around her, exclaimed:

"Julia! Julia! I have but you in the world. You have some sorrow—oh! I beg of you, do not hide it from me! Sister, dear little sister! You have no right to conceal it from me."

She hesitated for a moment, then in a low voice, in accents choked with sobs, she whispered: "We may have to go into bankruptcy."

Impossible to stop now. She had to complete her confidence. It was simple and short.

A bank suspended payment. Through this they would lose a large amount. That is why Duchemin was traveling. Alas! his letters announced nothing good.

But in the meantime, what is the connection between this disaster and Frederick's love for Antoinette?

Ah! yes—yes! Becoming rich through his wife, the lieutenant would have come to his brother-in-law's rescue.

Let us see! Was this—which of itself was perfectly regular—an absolute impossibility?

Frederick and Antoinette suited one another—loved one another, perhaps. A copartnership in the glass works amounted to a wise, advantageous investment, since, without the present embarrassment, the affair gave good results. And Julia, moved to tears, was saying:

"And then Jacques is so kind, so diligent, so honest! If you only knew, Fred, how he loves your sister and what happiness she owes him! Ah! Ruin, privations—that is nothing! The hard part is that a man like Jacques should bear the undeserved stain of a kind of disgrace. Will it ever be granted to me to console him?"

In his turn the young man kept quiet, lowering his eyes, thinking of this marriage which might have saved his relatives.

But while lowering his eyes he saw his red ribbon, and it seemed to him he heard an interior voice repeating the sentence he had just uttered: "It would not be acting like a gentleman."

He also saw that Martha no longer curled her doll's wig. Sitting on the ground, motionless and silent, the child was looking at her mother, who wept silently. She wept—in silence also.

"Julia," said the young man, soberly, "go, in my name, and ask for Mlle. Bourgeois' hand."

"At last!" triumphantly exclaimed Antoinette's mother, after Julia had formulated her request. Then, calling her daughter, she added in the same joyous tone: "Come—he has come to it! Answer, darling. Tell—tell how backward we found him!"

A lovely smile, so chaste in its frankness, lit up the young girl's face, and, without speaking, she advanced toward Mme. Duchemin with extended hands. Then, kissing her:

"I am so happy!" she exclaimed, bravely.

The very next day Frederick began his "wooing," as it is called.

Yet, what a strange thing! He, so outspoken till then—so open and so gay—was formal now, circumspect, stilted; almost unpleasant. Good-bye to intimate "chatter," to all freedom! He chose his words carefully. No more jokes now!

At first, Antoinette was disconcerted by it. But, surmounting her painful impression, she appeared happy enough for two. She was the first to speak of their plans, saying, as if inadvertently, "these dear plans."

He still called her "mademoiselle," while she called him plain "Frederick." She consulted him about the details of their future home. What shade did he prefer for the curtains? And when they were passing the glass works, stooping to kiss Martha, she prompted:

"Say: 'Good morning, Aunt Fred.'"

The attorneys had taken the matter in hand. Everything was ready, for the lieutenant had told his sister:

"Act for me. Have the settlements drawn to suit yourself."

As for him, to all questions he answered:

"Yes. All right. As you please."

So much so, that at last Julia took him aside, and said to him:

"Take care, Fred; take care lest you grieve this child!"

"Grieve her!" he repeated, startled. "It would cause me the most bitter remorse."

"Yet one would think you do not love her."

"Not love her!" exclaimed the young man. "I would be the most ungrateful fellow. Oh! on the contrary, I love

"WHAT IS THE MATTER?"

her with all the power of my soul, of my conscience, and of my probity. Devoid of feeling as I may appear, my heart is all her own. I admire and I adore her! Ah! why is she not poor! You would see—you would see then, Julia!" he added, relapsing into his darker mood.

The eventful day was fixed. The bans were to be published.

After dinner, the lieutenant, accompanied the ladies home, walking by their side along the road. At the door, they bade one another good-by. After that word had been spoken, Antoinette remained at Frederick's side, very close to him. She appeared to await something. It seemed as if her forehead was bending toward her betrothed's lips.

He understood. And, once more lowering his eyes, he saw the red ribbon lit by the last rays of the setting sun. And, as in an hallucination, in the rustling of the leaves he thought he heard again: "It would not be acting like a gentleman."

Then, dazzled, he stepped back and in a choking voice: "Listen! my heart is bursting. Even if I unsettled everything, I must speak. I must tell you—"

What? Everything! He stated everything, indeed; the situation, his scruples, his great sorrow.

Antoinette and her mother sought to interrupt him, repeating: "But—but—"

He did not listen; he went on to the end. And then only were they able to finish their sentence:

"But—we know it!"

"What! You know that my sister and her husband are threatened with—"

"Certainly, we know it," said the widow. "And this is why we hurried the conclusion which will, at last, give us the right to ward off the misfortune they do not deserve."

"And you, Antoinette?"

Somewhat confused, she replied:

"I! Oh! I had but one fear—not to please you!"

An Admiral by Any Name.

When Admiral de Horsey, who some years ago had command of the British fleet in the Pacific, was admiral of the North Atlantic squadron, he was one evening dining on shore, at Port Royal, Jamaica. On returning to the flagship alone after dinner his way to the boat led across the barrack square. A black sentry of one of the West India regiments halted him at the gate with "Who goes dar?" Great was the admiral's annoyance to find that he had neglected to get the password before leaving the ship. "That's all right," he said, carelessly, hoping to overcome the man's scruples by indifference; "you know who I am." "Dunno, nobody, sar," replied the man, pompously; "you can't go in dar." "Why, I'm Admiral de Horsey." "Well, you can't go in, I don't care if you's Admiral de Donkey."—Detroit Free Press.

—All Tramps Then. — Socialist—"There is a time coming when we shall not have to work." American—"Ah! When is that age of tramps coming, my friend?"—Yankee Blade.

—"Come, Herbert, I expect your uncle to-day, and you must have your face washed." "Yes, ma; but s'pose he don't come?"

DEATH VALLEY FAUNA.

Principally Reptiles of Many Species and Hideous Form.

The most striking element of the fauna in that strange desert region would seem to be the big lizards of many species, which occur in such numbers and in forms so strange as to well-nigh counterfeit on a smaller scale the vanished age of mesozoic saurians. Some of them carry bouquets of lovely flowers in their stomachs, while others can outstrip the fastest race horse in running, and others are clad in plates of armor. There is one kind which actually resembles in miniature a gigantic reptilian type of the chalk-forming epoch.

One species is very good to eat. It attains a length of about one foot, is fat, and when properly prepared tastes like bullfrog. Dr. A. K. Fisher and others of the expedition ate several specimens of this kind, lacking other meat, and found them good. The Indians of that region depend to a considerable extent for food upon the creature which they call "chuckwalla." They hook it out from clefts in the rocks by means of a forked stick or a bit of wire. To catch it on the run is out of the question. So active is the animal that it is hard to get within gunshot of it. This remarkable lizard subsists wholly on buds and flowers. When cut open its stomach is usually found to contain a good-sized bouquet of yellow cassias, lotus blossoms and salmon-colored mallows.

One of the most remarkable reptiles known is the horned rattlesnake. This species was considered very rare up to the time of the expedition, but its name in Death valley is legion. In fact, there are myriads of them there. Dr. Merriam shot one and stepped forward to knock over another, when one of his men cried, "Look out! You are standing on one." The doctor jumped about sixteen feet. The serpent had been tightly coiled up, but the doctor had stepped so squarely upon it that his weight had prevented it from striking. The snake is the smallest of all rattlers. It is two feet long, all specimens seeming to run about the same size. It feeds on "kangaroo" rats and "pocket" mice, lying in wait for them at the mouths of their holes. It is extremely vicious and its bite is said to be fatal, though this latter fact is doubted.

The horned rattlesnake is commonly called the "side winder," because when disturbed it moves sidewise in order to avoid turning tail. Another kind of serpent very numerous in the valley is the tiger rattlesnake. It is about three and a half feet long. Rattlers in the west do not grow much bigger than that, though there is a different race of them in Florida which attain a length of ten feet. Dr. Fisher's party killed nineteen of these snakes during a walk of eight miles. They get their name from their stripes. In the same region another kind of serpent is plentiful, which, though not venomous, is very ill-tempered and will fight like anything. It is of larger size, measuring about four feet, and is cream colored, with black rings, and very thick in the body.

Among the most curious creatures of that strange region are the horned toads, which are found in great numbers everywhere. They are peculiarly desert animals, their hideousness making them appropriate to their surroundings. They live on hard-shelled beetles and other insects. One of the oddest things about them is their mode of combat with one another. They fight like bulls, putting their heads down and butting. Apparently, they make no effort to hurt each other, but each tries to turn his adversary over. The one that is finally upset goes away at once, humiliated, and hides itself. The purpose of the contest seems merely to be to injure the pride of the opponent.

The popular belief that these batrachians squirt blood out of their eyes when they are angry has long been regarded as an absurdity. Certainly it has never been credited by science until now. But that this is true has recently been proved by experiments. One of the horned toads brought to Washington was thrown into water which immediately became reddened. On being irritated, the animal discharged from each eye a squirt of blood to a distance of fifteen inches. It was estimated that the quantity emitted was not less than a quarter of a teaspoonful. The test was not deemed wholly satisfactory until it had been demonstrated by a microscopic examination that the substance was actually blood. Presumably this squirting of gore is intended to frighten an enemy. As a provision for such a purpose it is unquestionably unique.

Not less remarkable are the peculiar desert toads of Death valley, which are found buried in the clay soil and actually baked in the solid ground, so that they have to be split out. Thus they remain for a year or two together. When a shower comes—a very rare occurrence in that country—the clay is softened, and they crawl out to enjoy themselves for a few hours. After a day or so the ground dries up, and they hastily dig into it and retire for another long period of repose. It is not difficult to imagine the hardening of the soil into permanent rock, from which these creatures might be split out a millennium hence, as is said to have happened with toads similarly buried centuries ago. When they do eat, these toads of the desert feed on insects, like others of their kind.

Death valley is the greatest congregating place on the earth of scorpions. They are found there by millions, growing to a huge size. Quite a number were captured, put into alcohol and brought back to Washington by the expedition. They were handed over to Dr. Marx, of the department of agriculture, who is the greatest authority in this country on arachnids. He showed one of them to the Star man yesterday, measuring it with a foot rule. It was exactly four and a half inches long. These fierce creatures are not seen in the day time, being nocturnal in their habits. However, when pulling up bushes for firewood they were apt to be found among the roots. They would crawl under the blankets at night for the sake of warmth. In the morning each member of the exploring party was apt to find one or two scorpions on the under side of his blanket. They secrete such a quantity of venom in the two poison glands at the end of their tail that their sting is quite dangerous. Dr. Marx explained that scorpions rank highest among the arachnids, being above the spiders and next below the true insects.—Washington Star.

Catching Rattlers.

To secure rattlesnakes the "mountain doctor" of Pennsylvania grasps a silk handkerchief at one corner, and, allowing the other end to hang toward the serpent, teases her until she strikes it with her fangs, when he immediately raises the handkerchief from the ground, thus depriving the snake of any opportunity of disengaging herself therefrom, as the slightly curved fangs are hooked in the material. The "doctor" then kills the serpent by first grasping her neck with the disengaged hand, so as to prevent her biting him when he cuts off her head. Should he desire, however, to keep the snake as a curiosity or for sale, he will extract the fangs with a small pair of forceps. —Chicago Herald.

FREAKS OF NATURE.

DR. J. C. BIVINGS, of Dalton, Ga., has a cat which in some respects resembles a kangaroo. The fore feet are much shorter than the hind ones, and it scurries over the ground just like the Australian animal.

A BEWITCHED apple, with a blood-red drop inside, grows on several trees in Norwich, Conn. It is called the "Mike apple," after a farmer named Micah, who over two hundred years ago was supposed to have killed a peddler and buried the body under one of his apple trees.

MINIE BALLS.

THE duke of Cambridge, who is commander in chief of the English army, has never smelt powder except at a review, and is not likely to if he can help it. He was a major general at the age of twenty-six, thanks to his good fortune.

SERGT. PROKOP DOGOBIRNKO, a Russian soldier, committed suicide lately because a young girl would not marry him, but instead called him an "old man." This was more than the giddy fellow, who was not much over ninety-nine years of age, could stand.

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—In the last twenty-five years, so says Mrs. Alice Freeman Palmer, $11,000,000 has been given in this country to women's colleges alone.

—It is ridiculous to expect God to hear us when we do not hear ourselves; which is the case when our lips move, with the mind inattentive and wandering.—Seed.

—The words and phrases under the letter "A," in Worcester's dictionary are 6,933; in Webster's, 8,358; in the Century, 15,621, and in the Standard, now in course of publication, 19,736.

—Rev. A. W. Clarke, of Washington, D. C., has accepted a call to the Abyssinian church at Portland, Me., a Congregational church for colored people, which has been maintained for nearly sixty years.

—Mr. W. H. Bishop, whose fascinating little volume, "House Hunting in Europe," has won such ready appreciation from a host of readers, has been appointed instructor in Spanish and French at Yale, his alma mater.

—Many Chinese temples are provided with a bell at the entrance, and when the worshiper enters he gives the rope a pull and rings the bell in order that the deity may be notified of his coming and be on hand to attend to his business.

—Scripture is more terrible in its mysterious reserve about the "wrath to come," than any picture man could paint. There is more pathetic and awful meaning in the one word, "the lost," than in any attempt of ours to expand the thought.—Dean Church.

—The Review of Reviews bears this testimony to the civilizing power of missions: "It is our brave contingent of missionary teachers—and not the present greedy squads of German and Spanish traders and officials—who have annexed the islands of the Pacific to civilization. Many of them have been completely transformed by the missionaries, whose labors alone have given them commercial importance."

—The following are the approximate statistics of the Church Missionary society: Stations, 324; European missionaries—ordained, 322; lay, 71; wives, 249; unmarried women, 121; total 763; native and Eurasian clergy, 281; native lay teachers, 4,196; native Christian adherents, 196,638; native communicants, 51,046; baptisms during the year, 10,712; schools, 1,798; scholars, 72,860; income in 1892, $1,414,025.—Missionary Review.

—At a recent meeting of the board of trustees of Westminster college, Prof. Arthur J. Hopkins, Ph. D., a recent graduate of Johns Hopkins university, was chosen to the chair of chemistry and mathematics. Prof. J. J. McElree, for three years in Amity college, Iowa, is to be professor of Latin. Miss Agnes Reed, a graduate of Westminster in the scientific course will assist Prof. Hopkins. Prof. Charles A. Douglas, of Preston, Wis., will be musical director next year. Miss Idelie R. Merritt, of Oil City, having studied in the schools of Boston and New York will teach voice culture.

"IS MY son thorough in his school work, Mr. Pedagog?" asked Bosbyshell. "Yes, he is," said the teacher. "He shows a tendency to go to the bottom of everything. I think he will be foot of his class in a few days."

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