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My Wife's New Friend.

Mrs. Jones has quite 'a habit of think this characteristic was confinsoen as they have caught a lover.

way of a bosom friend is Mrs. Mor- lar, and so excessively high-bred." timer Mowbray, with whom she becarriage with her, and created quite | and Lizzy Howell." a sensation-in fact, every lady in doubt not, with her intellectual acand had the honor of advising Mrs. Mortimer Mowbray in those thousand grave perplexities under which women suffer.

We returned to the city after the Mowbrays ; but my wife, though usually very firm on questions of etiquette, waived her privileges on this occasion, and made the first call. She was graciously received, and came home in high spirits. All that evening she could do nothing but talk of Mrs. Mortimer Mowbray. "Such an elegant establish. ment," she said. "A footman, with manners like a prince, waited at the door. The drawing-room was the perfection of luxury and taste. Mrs. Mowbray had on such a sweet cap, and altogether looked so lady-like. Her manners were, indeed, most aristrocratic, just what those of a Countess are suppos-

In a few days Mrs. Mortimer Mowbray returned my wife's call, coming in a shining new carriage, and with a new span of horses. Her equipage created quite a sensation in our street,

Mrs. Jones, soon after this, began to act as if brooding over some vast design, which not being matured, she deemed it wisest to be silent respecting. At last the mighty secret was broached.

one night, just as I was composing myself to sleep on my pillow, "that we ought to give a party. Not a regular ball, indeed, but a select entertainment, where a few congenial minds may be brought together. I should like to introduce my dear Mrs. Mowbray to some of the choicest of our set."

Now, I detest parties, small or large; but, as the delicacy of my wife's nerves does not allow of her being thwarted, I made no objection to the proposal though I sighed to myself.

"Of course, my dear," I said, "You know best,"

"Well, about thirty," continued

my wife, warming with the suject. "There's Mrs. Wharton, and Mrs. Horace Sl.inn, and Mrs. Prince, ed the servants and children incesand the Misses Trelawney," and thus the dear creature ran on, until she had mentioned about forty names, and I saw that her "select party of tell me; and if not, that idle quescongenial souls" was going to be after all, a crowded route.

"You have forgotten the two Misses Howell," I said at last, when my wife stopped for want of breath.

The two Misses Howell were amiable, intelligent, and pretty girls, in whom I took particular interest, because their father had once been an extensive shipping merchant, but, having become reduced and died bankrupt, the sisters were obliged to earn a livelihood by standing in a store. They had numerous rich relations on whom they might have billeted themselves, but with a spirit of proper independence, they preferred to work for their maintenance instead of eating the bread of charity. I had long nourished a romantie idea of seeing them married well, and had consequently made it a point always to invite them to our parties; to praise them highly to the young gentlemen there, and, in every other indirect way,

My wife, heretofore, had seconded me in my benevolent plan; but on the present occasion she hesitated to reply and I knew at once there was semething the matter.

to assist in realizing my pet scheme.

"At em !" she said at last, clearing her throat. "Ahem! The snappishly said Mrs. Jones, looking Misses Howell are very nice girls, to down into her plate, and apparently be sure-that is, in their places- absorbed in parting a wing joint. but as it is to be a select party, and as I have already mentioned rather people, and as"-

"Stop, my dear," said I, with a Millheim, Thursday, Feb. 28, sigh, for I saw that my favorites her; and hence her anger?" were not to be invited, "you have given good reasons enough. It is a great pity though." And I sighed again-a sigh eloquent of passive resignation.

My wife heard my sighs, and her tender heart was touched. She radius of over eight miles, in which the paused a moment in embarrassment, and perhaps even revolved the idea of yielding to my wishes; but in the end she raised herself on her elbow, and said :

"Mr. Jones, do listen to reason. You don't know how foolish you follows : make yourself about those Howell cultivating new friendships, which girls. They've been unfortunate to have every appearance of blooming be sure, and they're very passable, eternally, but which soon whither | indeed ; but there's a prejudice, you in the world's cold blasts. I used to are aware, against girls who stand and here she burst into tears of morin stores; and who knows but Mrs. ed to school-girls, who swear im- Mowbray would take offence at my mortal fidelity in letters crossed and inviting such persons to meet her. I recrossed, but forget each other as should clike to do it, indeed, with-E My wife's last acquisition in the that this time. She is very particu-

"Then I don't think she'd regard came acquainted last summer, while you the less, my dear," I ventured we were boarding out of town. to say, "for being acquainted with Mrs. Mortimer Mowbray had her two such excellent girls as Patty

"Mr. Jones, don't be a child," rethe house was eager to become her plied my wife, flinging herself to the confidante; but the amiable deport- cher side of the bed. "At your age ment of Mrs. Jones, combined, I you should know something of the world. Exclusive people, like Mrs. complishments, rendered her the Mowbray, don't care to meet noavorite, and she it was who daily bodies. She was very choice, as you occupied the spare seat in the coach, saw, whom she admitted to her acquaintance this summer; I may say, indeed, that I am the onl one, of all she met, whom she recognizes | 000 which Wm. Pitt Kellogg is be-

To have protracted the conversation would have excited my wife's nerves and deprived her of sleep, so I said no more, but closed my 'eyes and courted slumber anew. I have no recollection of anything after that till I woke up next morning, and leaving Mrs. Jones abed, as usual, went down to see that the fires were all right and to do the marketing while breakfast was being pre-

The invitations to the party were issued that week, Mrs. Mowbray graciously promising to attend.

When the important evening arrived my wife was all nerves. At every ring of the bell, the color rose to her face with expectation, but guest after guest entered without Mrs. Mowbray appearing. Her nervousness soon began to change to anxiety, and this, as the hours wore on, to disappointment and dismay. She delayed the supper for a full hour, thinking that the new friend might yet arrive, but in vain.

"What can the matter be?" she said to me, as soon as we were alone. "I hope the dear baby is well. Perhaps however, Mrs. Mowbray is "I was thinking, Jones," she said, I shall not sleep for anxiety. The le must raise it, and they would see first thing I'll do to-morrow will be that he was reimbursed. He borto call on Mrs. Mowbray and see rowed the amount from the Collectwhat is the matter."

gise for her absence."

Mrs. Jones did not reply in words but she give me a look. And such a look! It expressed all the indigeion cast upon her friend.

When I came home to dinner that day I saw at a glance that some thing had occurred to ruffle my wife's nerves. She had nothing whatever to say to me, but shescoldsantly. I was too wise to inquire what was wrong. I knew that Mrs. Jones, if she thought proper, would tions would only aggravate her secret troubles.

But the next day, having heard something that cast light on Mrs. Mowbray's absence from our party. I could not contain myself when I

"Did you ever hear, my love," at dinner, "that the Misses Howell" had a married sister ?"

Mrs. Jonos looked sharply up, as asked further."

"It seems," I continued, "that

Mrs. Mowbray is that sister." "I've heard so since," said Mrs. Jones, sharply; and turning to our second child, who was asking for the wing-bone, rapped him over the head, exclaiming, "Haven't I told you to wait till you're helped? Take that, now, and learn manners."

I allowed a minute or more to ebullition might subside, when I

"Mrs. Mowbray, it seems, expect- wasn't repaid to him Heyes would ed to meet her sisters here."

"I shouldn't wonder if she did."

"When she found." I continued. "that her sisters were not asked, too many, and as Mrs. Mowbray she grew indignant. She heard the may not want to meet all sorts of reason, it seems. Your friend Mrs. Wharton, whom you have made a confidante, told some lady, who told

"I'm sure I don't care if I never see the proud thing again," said my wife, reddening very much, but still without looking up. "One would not have supposed that she was a sister to the Misses Howell."

After another pause passed I said "Did you call on Mrs. Mowbray, as you intended ?"

Mrs, Jones was silent for a fall minute, and seemed half disposed to decline answering altogether; but finally she blurted out her reply as

"Yes, I did, since you must know. She was not at home-so, at least the footman said, but if I didn't see her at the drawing-room window," tification and rage, "may I never eat another mouthful."

I saw that it would not do to continue the conversation; so I quietcut first asking her; and I can't do ly ate my dinner, kissed the children and went my way.

Of-course the intimacy of my wife with Mrs. Mowbray ceased from that fatal party; and I am sorry to say that the Misses Howell have, as the phrase goes, "cut our acquaintance."

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That \$20,000 Borrowed of an Internal Revenue Collector with John Sherman's Khowledgand Consent-Facts that can ba

WASHINGTON, Feb. 12 .- The 20, ing pressed to pay to the Union National Bank of Chicago was part of the money paid and agreed to be paid by the visiting statesmen to secure the counting of the electoral votes of Louisiana for Hayes. It had to be raised quickly, They did not dare to telegraph for it, and they could not draw for it through a New Orleans bank. The emergency was a pressing one, and the mails were too slow. It was the eleventh hour. The Returning board, after rejecting every poll in various parishes, against which any evidence could be trumped up, after throwing out all the parishes which could with any colorable pretext be claimed to be bulldozed, found that there were three Hayes electors who lacked be-

of having a majority over their Democratic competitors. Something had to be done immediately. One member of the Returning Board refused to go any further in this dangerous business unless more money was forthcoming. He demanded cash down as an earnest of the future. In this dilemma the visiting statesmen went to Kellogg. and said they must have \$20,000 forthwith. He protested that he herself sick. Dear me, I am afraid hadn't that much money. They said or of Internal Revenue, and the "Wouldn't that be against eti- balking member of the Returning Geo. J. Potter quette ?" I ventured to ask. "It Board was paid \$6,000. The countseems to me that Mrs. Mowbray ing out and counting in went on unshould send you a note or a message, til the job was done. John Sherman or something of that sort, to apolo- and his fellow conspirators knew that the money came from the Collector of Internal Revenue, and that it was the money of the United States. They knew it was to bribe nation which her outraged bosom a member of the Returning Board. felt at having the slightest suspi- The money was not repaid to the Collector of Internal Revenue until nearly eight months afterward. He could not settle his accounts without it, and he demanded it from Kellogg. John Sherman had not kept his pledge that it should be reimbursed to Kellogg. It was his intention to squeeze it out of Kellogg, who wanted his seat in the Senate, and could not afford to let the truth be known because it would certainly destroy his chances of get-Kellogg had to borrow \$20,000 of the Union National Bank of Chicago, and C. B. Farwell became his

surety. Kellogg got his seat in the Senate, but he does not think it is fair that \$20,000 of his \$30,000 salary for six years should be eaten up said I as I began to carve the turkey in this way, while Hayes does not contribute one penny of his \$200,000. To bring this matter to a square issue, I propose to prove in any if she suspected I meant more than | court of justice or before an investi-I said, and then answered laconically: gating committee of either House "I heard it casually, but never of Congress: First, that Kellogg has repeatedly said that \$20,000 was borrowed of the Collector of Internal Revenue in New Orleans; second, that he borrowed it at the request of the visiting statesmen; third, that the visiting statesmen promised him that it should be made good; fourth, that it was this money which secured the counting in of the three Hayes electors, who were still behind on the 30th of November ; and fifth, that Kellogg repeatelapse, in order that my wife's ediy said that if he did not get his seat in the Senate he would raise hell about this \$20,000, and if it

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