

THE ICEBERG MAID.

"Where are you going, my pretty maid?" "I'm going to the ocean, sir," she said.

A BROTHER'S SACRIFICE.

I was leaning against the railing in the park, enjoying a cigar and watching the carriages as they passed.

Had I been younger, I might possibly have indulged in a dream of the time when riches and luxury should be mine.

There was a block for two or three minutes, and the occupants of the carriage which was standing just in front of me arrested my attention.

The man, who was about my age, was exceedingly good looking, and the young lady was pretty, but it was the elder lady who particularly interested me.

"You seem interested," said a man touching my arm, as the carriage moved on.

"Yes," I answered shortly. I have a rooted aversion to entering into conversation with strangers.

The man looked at me curiously, with a smile upon his face. He was tall and thin, and only fairly well dressed.

"I have been looking for you for two months past," he said.

"For me? You have made a mistake, I think."

one. You are, perhaps, not so clever, naturally, as Richard, but you have got balance, which he has not.

"Everybody likes him, mother," I answered.

"That makes all the more danger; and I want you, Robert, to look after Richard."

"I shall always love him."

"And you will help him?" "Yes, always."

"More than once that night she made me repeat the promise, and I took an oath, little knowing what the end would be."

"Time passed, and we both got on well. I had, perhaps, the most money, but then I did not go out as much as Richard did, and he gave away more than I did, too."

"The humdrum round of my daily life was suddenly disturbed—pleasantly so. Alice Eversham came into it, and from the first moment I saw her I loved her."

"I had never even cared about a woman before; had never even as a boy, had a preference for one of the pupils at the seminary for young ladies we passed every morning on our way to school."

"I was terribly afraid that the story was true, but spoke to lessen her anxiety. The look of a startled hare came into her eyes, but I did not think about it until afterwards. How the men Alice overheard ob-

tained their information I do not know, but it was in substance true.

"A heartless fraud had been committed, and apparently by R. Demmore. I was helpless. What could I do? And then Alice's words and look took possession of me."

"I was arrested, tried, convicted. There was no need for me to go, for by a heartless fraud, I had brought ruin and destruction to many—death by suicide to more than one."

"I was silent. Presently Demmore took some papers from his pocket."

"I saw this in a shop window yesterday, and thought it," he said, handing me a photograph. "On the return print, I had, Richard Demmore and wife. He has become famous. Do you recognize the picture?"

"Then I remembered the occupants of the carriage in the park."

"I think I have kept my oath, Hargrave. I took his hand and pressed it, but I did not speak. A lump was in my throat, and words would not come."

"American Thriftlessness. Too Little Attention Given to the Future in This Land of Plenty."

Perhaps one ought to be ashamed to mention his next impression, and certainly he had better plead at once the subtle influence of Scots blood, but one could not declare that the Americans are an economical people."

"His words were intended as a consolation, but they were simply maddening."

"It was only afterwards, when I became sane enough to think calmly, that I felt Richard had as much right to happiness as I had. We both loved her, and she loved him. It was all fair, honest dealing; I could not complain."

He Was Real Nice: This Telegraph Clerk, and She Intends to Patronize Him Exclusively.

She sailed into the telegraph office at Fourth and Vine streets, Cincinnati, recently and rapped on the receiving clerk's window.

"Don't mention it," said the clerk. "If you would like, I will put a few drops of nice violet extract on the telegram at the same rates."

Encountered a Bear. Charles B. Stewart, mail agent on the T. & C. R. R., encountered a bear last week.

A Good Wheel for an Editor's Son. "Well, my son," said the editor of the Danville Breeze to his son, who wanted a wheel.

One Farm that Contains 1,500,000 Acres. The biggest farm in the world is in the southwestern part of my State," said Mr. P. G. Vinton.

The Curious Death of a Whale. The white whale which was brought from Canadian waters to the New York market, died on July 24th.

German Glass Eyes. Millions are manufactured in the County Every Year.

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A Step Backward in Education in Ferguson Township. At a meeting of the Ferguson township school board on July 31st, the directors dispatched business in such a way that we can gauge the efficiency of these men for the offices which they are pretending to fill.

In Ferguson township it does not matter whether the applicant holds a provisional, a professional or a permanent certificate, a Normal or a College diploma he will receive the magnificent sum of twenty-six dollars per month.

Is this township so poor that we are not able to pay the enormous (?) sum of twenty-eight dollars per month? I dare say not.

Why can't we have a township High school where a college graduate could prepare our boys and girls to enter Pennsylvania State College.

Our directors, C. B. Hess, Jacob Harpster, Dr. M. L. Houser, John Musser, Jacob Stoenes and J. G. Fortney are to be complimented for the adoption of a uniform course of study and for changing the grammars but oh! there is so much more that we need.

Countess Challenged God. Seeding Fertilizer Open Her Thumb on Which Was Graven Deference.

"In the town of Hanover, Germany," says the Evangelist Moody writes in his Bible class discourse in the August Ladies' Home Journal.

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FOR AND ABOUT WOMEN. The Lehigh Valley Medical association, at the annual meeting, held at the Gap selected Dr. Mary Greenwald, of Stroudsburg, president.

A favorite skirt garniture is made by arranging tiny ruffles in clusters of three from the edge to the knee, and if the shortening effect is becoming, all the way to the waist.

"How shall I perform an introduction?" inquires a girl who likes to do things gracefully and who is entirely right in her notion that for most things there is a right way and also a wrong way.

The newest skirts are made very tight-fitting over the hips, but flaring very much at the bottom.

All oily lotions for the face should be avoided, as they encourage the growth of downy hairs and make the skin shiny.

For evening gowns, black and white striped silks are very popular, and when the waists are trimmed with black chiffon fichus are extremely becoming.

For tired feet put a handful of common salt into four quarts of hot water. Place the feet in the water while it is hot as it may be borne.

Bodices are as much trimmed as ever, the chief novelty being that ruffles, fittings and so on, are put no longer in the middle of the front of the bodice, but on the left side.

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When she has acquired the art of climbing stairs she should study the refinement of sitting. To begin with she will have to abandon the idea that a chair or divan presents an opportunity for relaxation.

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