

LUCILE.

She took the town by storm. There had never been such an excitement in the staid old village of Williamsburg...

I suppose some description of the fair siren is necessary, though no mere pen and ink portrait can ever do her justice.

Every thread of Lucile Blanchard's hair was a primed sunbeam, and when one saw it on her head, undulating, glittering...

Her brother was a pale, grace-faced man some years her senior. I suppose she might have been eighteen or forty, and such a woman never grows old...

All the young men in town were delirious about her. Some neglected the maidens they had hitherto thought less to worship at the new shrine.

But Miss Blanchard's conduct was admirable, so all the old ladies said. No one could possibly find any fault with it.

He had been engaged to Annette Morse, a pretty village beauty, previous to the advent of Miss Blanchard...

It reached the Judge's ear at last that Lester had fallen in love with the beautiful newcomer...

"But father," said Lester, when the old man stopped to breathe, for he was a little asthmatic and this long speech acted unfavorably on his wind...

"I have seen some fine women in my day," returned the Judge with dignity, "and I had the reputation of being popular with the ladies, but I never so far forgot myself as a member of the Hathaway family, as to yield to the fascination of a nameless adventuress."

Call it fate or whatever you please, just as the Judge was passing Egerton cottage...

and the demolition of his gold-rimmed eyeglasses. But the fair mistress of the cottage...

"I shall never like Flight again, for it was my dog that caused the accident," she said plaintively, with her beautiful eyes cast down and her scarlet lips made up ready to cry.

The Judge was charmed out of himself. He had been ready to worship the girl for her beauty at the first glance, and her distress finished the victory.

Lester was very joyful over the intelligence, for he felt sure that his father had relented and that Lucile had charmed him so that he would consent to have her as a daughter...

A few evenings later he met his father and Lucile at a ball where he hoped to monopolize the lady's attentions...

"Yes, father," said he, eagerly. "I have not thought upon the matter until recently," pursued the old gentleman with refreshing coolness...

Lester started back with an oath too strong to chronicle and burst out of the house. The next morning he left town and did not return for five years.

Mr. Hartly Blanchard was married to Annette, Lester's old sweetheart, and poor Lester feeling that there was little chance of his getting much out of his father's property...

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