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THE MODERN RUTH.

Dr. Alexander Andrew threw himself into the big leather-covered chair before his office fire with a very sigh.

He was a fine-looking man of 80; not handsome, but noble and manly-looking—his eyes to be trusted forever, with his broad, white lips, too, under the full brown beard which was as fine as woman's, without looking in strength and firmness.

Dr. Andrew was one of those grand, kindly natures which seem made for leaders and comforters. But fate had lately frowned upon him. The bank in which the greater part of his snug little fortune was deposited had failed, and directly upon this came the news that some mining stock in which he had invested was worthless, or nearly so.

The doctor did not fear poverty himself—his practice brought him a comfortable income, for the rich appreciated him as well as the poor—but miss away in a distant city there was a lovely girl whom he had hoped to call his wife by Christmas time. A girl who, though not wealthy herself, had been extravagantly educated by her uncle, in whose luxurious home she lived. He had never questioned it she knew anything about work—the idea in connection with Miss Everleigh was absurd. He must give her to share the fate of a poor physician who depended upon his fees for a living.

So Dr. Andrew had written her a brave farewell letter just a month before the time set for their wedding, informing her of his altered fortune, and releasing her from her engagement to him, and he had received no answer, although it was now Christmas week. He experienced a cruel sense of desolation. Miss Everleigh had not loved him, after all.

The office fire smoldered to ashes, and still he sat there, still and sad, until from sheer exhaustion he fell into an uneasy slumber. About midnight he awoke, alternately burning and shivering while a dull pain throbbled in his temples; and when his hand found his forehead to call him, he found him unable to raise from his pillow, feverish and half delirious.

Maud had returned the engagement ring. Dr. Andrew received the package in silence, and Mrs. Derby looked at him with a crestfallen expression.

"I thought you would be pleased, doctor, I've come to know Miss Everleigh's handwriting, you see, and I supposed she had sent you a Christmas present. The package came two days ago when you were delirious, and I signed the receipt card and made bold to send you the telegram, notifying her of your illness. I received a telegram in return stating that Miss Everleigh would start at once to come to you. She will probably be here to-day."

"To-day!" Dr. Andrew listened to find Mrs. Derby in bewilderment. What did it all mean?

Christmas morning came bright and frosty—a day after St. Nicholas's own hour—and the doctor, a trifle better, although weak and languid, opened his eyes to close them again immediately with a little pang. This was to reach his wedding day.

The landlady, who had been like a mother to him, came in presently with a very smiling expression upon her broad face.

Many of his grateful patients had remembered him with some little Christmas tokens, and Mrs. Derby had placed them upon the stand at his bedside, but now she held in her hand a small package addressed to him in a familiar lady's hand and registered in a distant city.

With trembling fingers he tore off the wrapper of the tiny package, and opened a jeweler's case. There upon its bed of purple lay a wide, gold finger ring, extraordinarily wide, the inside of which was completely covered with fine lettering. And Dr. Andrew read there the grand old scriptural words which had arisen in the heart of the girl, who thus proved herself worthy of him, when his letters had come to her after many weary days of delay.

Entrust me not to leave thee, or return from following after thee; for whether thou goest I will go, and where thou lodgest I will lodge; thy people shall be my people, and thy God my God; where thou lodgest I will lodge, and there will be buried: the Lord do so to me and more also if I ought but death part me and thee.

It was nearly noon when Maud herself came. She had removed her wraps in Mrs. Derby's room, and after a light tap on the sick man's door she entered.

Alexander Andrew had thought her lovely in her exquisite party and carriage and home toilet; but never had she seemed so sweet and graceful and womanly as now, when in her plain gray traveling costume, her lovely face a little pale with weariness and excitement, her mouth tremulous, and her dark eyes glowing with solemn light, she glided in her swift, noiseless way across the room to his side.

"My darling! My own sweet