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In every clime adored,
By saint, by savage, and by sage,
Jehovah, Jove or Lord.

Thou great First Cause, least understood,
Who all my sense confined
To know but this, that thou art good,
And that myself am blind.

Yet gave me, in this dark estate,
To see the good from ill;
And, binking nature fast in fate,
Left free the human will.

What conscience dictates to be done,
Or warns me not to do,
This, teach me more than hell to shun,
That, more than heaven pursue.

What blessings thy free bounty gives
Let me not cast away;
For God is paid when man receives,
To enjoy is to obey.

Yet not to earth's contracted span
Thy goodness let me bound,
Or think thee Lord alone of man,
When thousand worlds are round.

Let not this weak, unknowing hand
Presume thy bolts to throw,
And deal damnation round the land
On each I judge thy foe.

If I am right, thy grace impart
Still in the right to stay;
If I am wrong, O, teach my heart
To find that better way.

Save me alike from foolish pride,
Or impious discontent,
At aught thy wisdom has denied,
Or aught thy goodness lent.

Teach me to feel another's woe,
To hide the fault I see;
That mercy I to others show,
That mercy show to me.

Mean though I am, not wholly so,
Since quickened by thy breath;
O, lead me wheresoe'er I go,
Through this day's life or death.

This day be bread and peace my lot;
All else beneath the sun,
Thou know'st if best bestowed or not,
And let thy will be done.

To Thee, whose temple is all space,
Whose altar, earth, sea, skies!
One chorus let all Being raise!
All Nature's incense rise.

The Heir of Rossmoyne.

BY MRS. E. BURKE COLLINS.

"And this is your final decision, Miss Granger?"

Estelle Granger's fair face flushed impatiently, and she bent her golden head to hide her annoyance as she made answer:

"It is final, irrevocable—quite so, Captain Clavering. With your—ah, lack of wealth—you have seemed to me somewhat presuming. Fancy me in the role of a poor man's wife! And you are only a captain in the regular army and without fortune."

He lifted his handsome dark head with a haughty gesture.

"Your argument is decisive, Miss Granger," he returned coldly. "You may spare me a repetition of your various reasons for rejecting me. But have I ever told you that I am without fortune?"

Her great blue eyes dilated with a look of almost fear.

Great Heaven! what if she had made some mistake, an egregious blunder? And Leonard Clavering was handsome, refined, noble and manly; there was nothing to object to save that she had always believed him to be poor.

She flashed about, contritely now, and extended her hand.

"Really, Captain Clavering," she stammered, "I only formed my conclusions from general opinion. You cannot blame me, surely."

He smiled coldly, scornfully.

"Blame you? No!" he retorted freezingly. "You are only acting according to the principles in which you have been reared. I owe you a thousand thanks for your rejection, since it has been the means of opening my eyes to the truth and the knowledge of your true nature. The woman whom I wed shall love me for myself alone, or I will go to my grave unwedded. I leave here on the first train, Miss Granger. My visit to this seaside resort has been a very pleasant one. I have to thank you for much of its pleasure, and"—with a low bow—"the lesson I have learned."

He touched the white hand with his own for an instant in the briefest and coolest of farewells; the door of the pretty reception room opened and closed, and Captain Leonard Clavering, U. S. A., was a memory of the past to Estelle Granger.

But the spoiled beauty stood gazing after the tall, soldierly figure with eyes full of regret and—tears!

"I love him!" she whispered softly to herself, "and if I had known that he was not poor I would have accepted him! But mamma warned me that he was quite ineligible! And she has set her heart upon my captivating the rich Mr. Ross, of Rossmoyne, the finest estate in Louisiana! I have never met him, but he will soon be here, and rumor says that he is coming to seek a bride! This Mississippi watering-place is famous as a summer resort for the most beautiful women of the South; and I flatter myself I can hold my own with the best of them. Let Captain Clavering go!" she went on with a willful pout. "I shall be satisfied with no less a prize than the owner of Rossmoyne!"

She trailed her white draperies—a mass of fleecy lawn and delicate laces—from the room, and sought the congenial society of her mother, a mercenary woman whose sole aim in existence was to secure a brilliant match for Estelle.

Angry, humiliated, with scorn in his heart for all womankind, Leonard Clavering strode from the hotel where this interview had taken place, and went down to the beach.

He wanted to be alone for a time to think over the situation; then he would pack his wardrobe, and the pebbly shores of Pass Christian would know him no more.

Drawing his hat down over his eyes, he turned to the most unfrequented part of the beach and hurried onward.

All at once, in a lonely nook, he came to a halt as his eyes fell upon an unexpected scene.

A slip of a girl—a fragile little creature of not more than fifteen—with great dark eyes in strange contrast to the tawny mane of red-gold hair which streamed over her shoulders.

A girl with a face full of possibilities, but in her eyes a wild despair, as believing herself to be all alone in this forgotten corner, she crouched at the foot of a great oak tree, her hat on the sand at her feet, sobbing bitterly.

"Nobody cares for me!" the sweet young voice was saying. "Mamma loves no one but Estelle! And I am always forgotten and alone and miserable. Only this morning I ventured to kiss mamma, and she reproved me, and pushed me away from her, for fear I would rumple her morning dress; and she called me an ugly child, and said I was a disgrace to the family. Oh, if it wouldn't be wicked, I would wish to die!"

Captain Leonard Clavering, standing not five feet distant overheard the entire soliloquy, and the moody look deepened in his handsome eyes.

A sudden impulse prompted him.

He stepped forward and laid his hand upon the girl's bowed head.

She flashed about and sprung to her feet—slender—erect as a dart.

The color came and went upon the sunburned cheeks; the glorious dark eyes were blazing.

"How dare you?" she panted indignantly.

He lifted his hat with a courtly obeisance.

"I beg your pardon, Miss Valerie," he returned humbly. "Only I overheard your words, and sympathizing with you, thought I would venture some consolation! You and I are fellow-sufferers through the scorn and coldness of your sister."

The great dark eyes sparkled.

"So she has refused you?" the girl cried lightly. "Well, I could have warned you of the result before you asked her! Estella has set her heart on capturing the heir of Rossmoyne."

Leonard Clavering started as though some one had struck him a blow. His face grew pale for a moment.

"My child, are you in earnest?" he faltered.

She laughed.

"I ought not to tell tales out of school, Captain Clavering," she returned, "and the truth ought not to be told at all times; but I will reiterate the truth; Estelle is determined to become Mrs. Rossmoyne! For my part, I would not be so sure until I had seen him. Why, Captain Clavering, they have never met."

He threw himself carelessly down upon the sand beside her. There was an odd expression upon his dark face.

"Valerie," he was beginning; but she checked him with a peremptory little gesture.

"Captain Clavering, only my most intimate friends call me Valerie, without prefix."

How dignified she was. The captain smiled slyly.

She was quite a woman of the world after all.

"Miss Valerie"—he corrected himself humbly—"I am going away, and—" he stopped short.

The laugh had faded from her face, and she was strangely grave.

"Going away? Oh, Captain Clavering?"

There was a strange thrill in the young man's heart.

Somebody regretted him.

Ah, that was something!

"Miss Valerie," he said softly, "I am going away because it is best for me. I am going to Europe. I have business there which has been already too long neglected. I intend to remain two years. Let me see, you will be seventeen then."

She shook her head.

"I shall be nearly eighteen," she interposed; "for my sixteenth birthday will soon be here."

"Ah, yes! Quite patriarchial," he rejoined. "Well, my dear Miss Valerie, may I hope that if fate throws us together in two years from now, that you will still bear me in your remembrance?"

She was biting her red lip hard to force down the flood of emotion which threatened to burst all barriers.

But child as she was, Valerie Granger's will was adamant.

She turned bravely and faced Leonard Clavering.

He took the slim, brown hand in his own and gazed into the beautiful eyes.

A white lily was pinned in the lace at her throat; she removed it and laid it in his hand with a little attempt at a laugh, which died a natural death.

"See!" she cried lightly. "Your memory of me will survive as long as that flower lives—no longer. Keep it as a token, Captain Clavering."

He pressed it to his lips, then hid it away in his breast just as the sound of footsteps and shrill laughter reached them, and a gay group came sauntering by.

Captain Clavering arose, and with a low obeisance moved away.

A few days later the Grangers returned to their city home.

Two years went by, bringing many and varied changes.

Estelle Granger was still unwedded, for the heir of Rossmoyne had never made his appearance, and she had gradually dropped all mention of his name.

Lovers came and went with the years, but although many knelt at the fair Miss Granger's shrine, she had turned from them all.

"I can never forget him!" her heart cried passionately, "the only man whom I have ever loved! Leonard! If you would only come back!"

Valerie, a grown young lady now, had made her debut in society, and was received with enthusiasm. For, although her beauty was not so great as her sister's, there was a NAIVETE and a grace about her which were irresistible. So Hal Lyndehurst thought, and straightway became her shadow.

So evident was his infatuation that the affair was considered settled, much to Mrs. Granger's satisfaction, for Lyndehurst was very wealthy.

One day Captain Leonard Clavering—just home from Europe—walked down the street from his hotel in company with an acquaintance.

"What's the news?" asked Leonard, lighting a cigar as he sauntered on.

"Oh, nothing much," returned the other, "unless—ah, yes, you were acquainted with Miss Valerie Granger, were you not, Clavering?"

"A little!"

"Humph! Well, she is soon to be married—to Hal Lyndehurst. Lucky fellow—or he would be, only I understand that it is an entirely mercenary marriage on her part."

Clavering turned upon him almost fiercely.

"I don't believe it!" he cried. "Nobody could make me believe that Valerie Granger would marry a man whom she did not love!"

He turned as he spoke, and there, coming down the street, was Valerie Granger, fair and sweet, in the daintiest of costumes, in company with her mother.

A moment more and they had met. They stopped a short and greetings were exchanged, and when they parted again Clavering had promised to call that evening.

He meant to find out the truth. If she was false, then all women were faithless.

That evening he found her alone for a few moments, her mother having been called away. In a few words, Leonard Clavering told her of his love.

"See, Valerie!" he said, "my love has survived your lily, for here is all that is left of it!"

And he showed her—hidden away between the leaves of his note-book—the shriveled ghost of a faded flower.

She lifted her eyes to his, and he read his answer there. And he knew then that the story of her marriage was all a mistake, and that she was his own forever.

An hour later, at Mrs. Stanley's ball, Leonard Clavering met his old love for the first time since his return home.

One swift glance from the beautiful blue eyes, and she held out a white gloved hand.

"Surely Captain Clavering has not forgotten his old friend, Estelle Granger?" she queried.

He took the proffered hand in his own. There was not a thrill at his heart; his love for her was dead and buried.

But they sauntered away together out upon a moonlit balcony, and once alone, he began:

"Miss Granger, I claim your congratulations. I am going to be married!"

She fell back pallid and panting, her eyes full of anguish.

"Leonard! oh, Leonard!" she wailed, "and I love you so!"

His lips curled scornfully.

"You are too late!" he made answer. "Your love could not awaken the faintest response in my heart, Estelle Granger! But the best—the noblest love of my life is given to your sister, who has promised to become my wife at no distant day. So, Miss Granger, simple little Valerie will be Mrs. Ross, and the mistress of Rosamoyne!"

She gazed into his face with wild, incredulous eyes.

"What do you mean?" she faltered.

"I am Leonard Clavering Ross!" he went on to explain. "There was a mistake made in the name when I was first presented in society here, and I decided—being a stranger—to allow it to remain so for a time. I wanted to win some true womanly heart that would care for me, and not for the owner of Rossmoyne! And I have found her. She is coming—"

And he turned to greet Valerie.

She took his arm and they moved away together, while Estelle Granger's eyes followed them in mad despair.

She bowed her head; her heart aching with a dull, heavy pain that was awful to bear.

"My punishment is just!" she said.

FASHION NOTES.

Bustles grow larger.

Crinkled woolens resembling crapes are worn.

Beaded woolen fabrics are much used this season.

Black lace dresses bid fair to never go out of vogue.

Frocks for girls under thirteen are made without overskirts.

Perforated plush is the newest fancy in materials for art embroidery.

Young ladies are again wearing turn down collars of lace and embroidery.

Veils are mere masks and should be put on before the bonnet is donned.

Bead, flower, feather, lace and ribbon furniture are also used on ball dresses.

Very pretty aprons are of pink or blue China silk, elaborately trimmed with lace.

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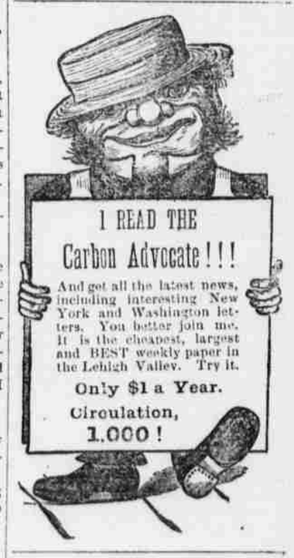

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