

THE DAILY NOVELETTE

Twin Cottages and Pansakes

The two cottages were exactly alike. Each had a front porch with a vine-covered trellis, and each had a bay window on the side, one facing east, the other west. They stood side by side. The neighbors called them the Twin Cottages. They were connected by a narrow passage extending from the west side of one to the east side of the other.

But the tenants of these cottages were not neighbors. Mrs. Goodwin, of the east bay window, and Mr. Goodwin, of the west bay window, never spoke to each other. Their brothers had built these houses, had begun their married life together, but their wives had quarreled, years ago, and now Mr. Avery Goodwin and Mrs. Emory Goodwin lived each alone, nursing the old grievances.

As fate would have it, Miss Nathalie Goodwin came to spend a summer vacation with her uncle.

"Isn't it funny, Uncle Avery?" she asked. "Mrs. Goodwin's nephew is spending his vacation with her."

"It doesn't touch my sense of humor," her uncle answered, coolly. "We met on the sidewalk in Twin Cottages. They were connected by a narrow passage extending from the west side of one to the east side of the other."

"Certainly not," with emphasis. "His name is Donald Prior, and he's floorwalker for Stebbins and Porter, but he wants to be an artist. He has a vacation every the dull season, and he's painting for all he's worth."

"Humph! I should think he gave you his whole history."

"Perhaps I was to blame," Nathalie confessed with a slight blush. "I was so interested that I asked him one or two questions."

"Well, you have a complete antidote, my nephew. You need not ask anything more."

Nathalie was a little afraid of her stern uncle. She decided to avoid meeting Donald and give her attention to making the west cottage more habitable.

"Uncle," she asked one morning, "who owns that connecting passage?"

"It belongs to both of us."

"What is there in it?"

"Rats' nests and spiders, probably, I never go in."

"Does Mrs. Goodwin go in?"

"I don't know where she goes, probably not."

"If there are spiders," Nathalie persisted, twisting a duster, "I ought to go in."

The uncle laughed. "Aren't you satisfied with making the cottage neat and homelike without attacking the passage?"

Nathalie did not reply. Curiosity was prompting this daughter of Eve. An hour later she slipped the ring bolt and, dustpan in hand, entered the passage, shuddering a little in anticipation of the spiders.

"My word!" she cried. "Donald Prior has taken this for a studio."

Several mounted canvases were leaned against the walls, and one picture, not yet finished, stood upon an easel. The ink color in Nathalie's vision dimmed as she studied the picture, her eyes as if escaping from a blue mist that accentuated the deeper blue of the sky.

"Who?" she breathed, "is it?"

A soft slip, the best dressed, and the doorway framed the athletic figure and broad face of Donald Prior.

"Nathalie blushed and held out the easel painting. "I came here to find the spiders," she faltered.

"They don't molest me. We have equal rights here, you see, giving me credit on the confusion of paint tubes and brushes. My aunt doesn't like a dog."

"Isn't she? I wish my uncle did."

He laughed. "So I paint here."

"I have dared to attempt that," he thoughtfully. "You see, I had no money. I needed every cent."

"I guess you have succeeded, only the have flattered me."

"Flattered you? If I could do that!"

"I'd give up floorwalking altogether and stick to painting."

"But there is one thing I don't understand—how did you get a chance to paint here? I never saw you at being there."

Donald laughed. "Do you notice the mirror on the opposite wall? If a young lady happened to be sitting under a blue tree on her side of the latter she might cast a reflection that a painter could see perfectly while keeping out of range of the window."

Nathalie studied the mirror and the bit of her uncle's back yard reflected in it for a moment.

"How odd!"

"Then she turned for a critical inspection of the portrait on the easel."

"The artist is good," she decided. "But I never saw that kind of shoes, and the skirt is too long. I don't look much like a fashion plate," with a little laugh.

"Heaven forbid!" ejaculated the artist fervently.

"I wish I had worn my mummy gown instead of that old white thing," she went on. "That has a bolero effect and hand-embroidered panels on the skirt."

"Don't you think you may be sitting there again and wearing the mummy gown? I should like of all things to get that bolero effect, and if you would turn your garden chair a little I could sketch the full face instead of the profile."

"Oh, no. My uncle wouldn't approve. It would be quite wrong now I know."

"But in the interest of art," he urged. "I am tremendously anxious to get that bolero effect."

"You're just making fun. I don't believe you know a bolero from a shoulder cape."

"I am ignorant," he acknowledged, "but I want so much to learn."

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"Oh!" said Nathalie wistfully. "I'll tell you what I'll do. Do you think we might venture? Just leave that dog unharmed, and when your uncle's at breakfast I'll appear to him with hot pancakes in a covered dish. He wouldn't floor me?"

"Oh, no; he isn't strong enough for that, and perhaps if you took the error off quick, he wouldn't want to."

"We'll try it then."

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