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SPRING LONGING.

Have to accept the later alternate. I had neither money nor friends.

There were plenty of young men with wealth and position, ready to fill up every vacancy.

I was pretty hard up for money, you know, and it was about this time that I fell in with Steve Randall, who was in about the same condition in respect to funds.

I could not, I know. He led me into all kinds of scrapes, that I never would have thought of going into, and it was impossible to blame him.

He had such a merry, light-hearted way with him, when he chose, that he took me quite by storm.

My aspirations for a better condition was about the same, financially, so we joined together, and rented a room in a very respectable neighborhood.

We kept bachelor's hall there very comfortably, for a while, while I hunted employment, and he compounded wonderful French dishes, out of nothing.

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THE JUDGE'S STORY.

The Judge knocked the ashes from his chair, and rose with an emphatic "hem!"

All the others drew a long breath, and brought their chairs down from their tilted positions.

William had been telling a story to while away the long hours of the day, and now the Judge was a magnificent story-teller.

"You turn, Judge," said Graham, with a slight laugh, the flush slowly dying out of his face.

"Beat Graham if you can," said Fenner, rubbing his hands together with a gleam of triumph.

"You don't know the Judge, Fenner," said Williams. "He used to equal Mr. Middlemiss Easy in the number of his adventures, and his grace in relating them."

The young lawyer, whose sobriquet of "Judge" had been bestowed upon him in the early days of college life, and his sententious way of deciding questions that bored him, drew back a chair with a flourish, and then pushed it towards the fire, and sat down.

"I tell you what it is, boys, you needn't think I'm going to be beat by Graham. I have a story to tell you, which is just as good as his, but then it may lose something in the telling.

Since we parted five years ago, I have invented Bickstone, Chitty, and others, and I've had a good deal of romance has faded out of that way, you perceive. But then we agreed to meet in five years and compare experience, it was merely to have something to tell, so I did my best to have an adventure.

"I tell you all remember what my college days were. You do? Humph!—Then it will save me the trouble of telling you, though I have studded up a fine bit of pathos about them. However, it don't matter much; let it go now. The fact is, I was in a fine way, and that is the financial condition of your orator in these college days. I never said anything about it; but, because I was a deal too proud; then, to tell you the truth, boys, it required some screwing, and some pretty close calculations, to make my allowance cover my very modest wants. I remember I used to be a little envious of Fenner and Graham, when I saw them scattering money round, with such a lavish hand, and I, with my meagre salary, good looks, and extraordinary stock of common sense."

The Judge straightened himself back and laughed in his rare genial way, without finishing the sentence.

"However, to pass over that, and come to the time when we left college, with young honors upon us. Fenner's proud of our diplomas, though? Boys, I want you to tell me truly, whether you took your sheepskin out of its case, after the first six months?"

"Why, Steve?" I exclaimed, "how can you here?"

"Oh, I've kept you in sight all evening. I thought you did not see me. I was just behind you, and I was a little cool that, on old Laclede, wasn't it?"

"The question brought me back to my grievances. 'It was terrible!' I said. 'My father starved in business, and he had not a friend or a dollar in the world. When I think of that I could almost swear vengeance on all mankind for that man's base ingratitude.'"

"Yes," said Randall, "but remember your American proverb. The world owes you a living."

"Do you picture, boys, how I had fallen upon Paradise? After all, there is a divinity that shapes our ends, rough-hew them as we may. They had gathered the whole story from my ravings. They knew what had been in my heart, that might have been the bridge, they knew the kind and order. They rested strength and manhood in me. They made me feel that I was worthy of being honored and trusted. When I was able to work the old gentleman found me a splendid proposition, and I continued my law studies. I had a leisure moment. Mr. Lyndray gave me a most cordial invitation to make his home my home, and treated me with such confidence that I must have made myself worthy of it, however ignoble and unworthy I might have been. So I went, and offered a position as book-keeper in his establishment. I was enabled to decline the honor, with the old speech a little more proudly uttered: 'I am Kenneth Lane, sir, and so it was that very holiday took me home to my mother and sister, where Mr. Lyndray treated me like a son, and their fair daughter smiles on me at intervals. At last I was admitted to the bar, since which I have become—well, boys, you know the rest.'"

"The most promising young lawyer in the State," said Fenner emphatically. "But what about the daughter, Judge?" said Graham. "You surely are not going to leave us in the lurch, after we had all concluded that she was going to be a spice of romance about it?"

"Oh, yes—the daughter!" said Kenneth Lane, with a blush. Then the rising young lawyer drew himself up with the grace and pride of a young god. "My friends," he said, "with unshakable solemnity, I go down to Mr. Lyndray's on the first day of the new year, you will see me united to Ethel Lyndray, my queen among women."

"Hurray! Three cheers for the Judge and his bride!" said Graham, springing to his feet and waving his hat and his cheeks were given with a vim that brought back their college days afresh.

Men are wanted. So they are. But boys are wanted—honest, manly, noble boys. Such boys will make the desired men. Some one has declared, and truly, that these boys should possess the following qualities: 1. Honest. 2. Intelligent. 3. Active. 4. Industrious. 5. Obedient. 6. Steady. 7. Obliging. 8. Polite. 9. Neat. 10. Truthful. One thousand first-rate places are open for 1,000 boys who come up to the standard. Each boy should suit his reading in the kind of business he would prefer. The places are ready in every kind of occupation. Many of them are already filled by boys who lack some of the most important points, but they will soon be vacant, because the boys have been poisoned by reading bad books such as they would not dare show their fathers, and would be ashamed to have their mothers see. The impure thoughts suggested by these books will lead to vicious acts, the boys will be ruined, and their parents will be disgraced. Distinguished lawyers, useful ministers, skillful physicians, successful merchants, must all soon leave their places for somebody else to fill. One by one they are removed by death. Mind your ten points, boys; they will prepare you to accept into vacant places in the world. Every man who is worthy to employ a boy, is looking for you if you have the points. Do not fear that you will be overlooked. A young person having these qualities will shine as plainly as a star at night.

Blackbirds. One day last season, as the barley in my fields was ripening, the blackbirds began to gather about it, my farmer began to antagonize them as they came, and robbers feeding upon that which did not belong to them. "Cur-d of typhus fever, Mehemeh Agha, an upholsterer, by drinking a painful pickle cabbage juice."

Soon after, the doctor was called to another patient, a yaghikeger, or dealer in embroidered handkerchiefs, suffering from the same malady. He forthwith prescribed "a painful pickle cabbage juice."

On calling the next day to congratulate his patient on his recovery, was astonished to be told the man was dead. The oriental Aircuption physician made this inscription, "Cur-d of typhus fever, Mehemeh Agha, an upholsterer, by drinking a painful pickle cabbage juice."

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Over-Governed Children.

A girl that is never allowed to sew, all of whose clothes are made for her and put on her, till she is ten, twelve, fifteen, or eighteen years of age, is spoiled.

The mother has spoiled her by doing everything for her. The true idea of sewing, is to let the child venture. A child's mistakes are often better than no mistakes; because, when a child makes mistakes, and has to correct them, it is on the way to knowing something.

A child that is waking every morning, and never wakes himself up; such a child might as well be a tallow candle, perfectly straight, and solid, and comely, and unrivalled, and good for nothing but to be burned up.

Always speak well of the dead, and once in a while a good word of the living, if you have the time.—Danbury News.

English silk dress weighing 3 pounds has at least two pounds of iron in it. Just think of the number of iron nails floating around the streets.

The prospects of the year are in the West. It is the sign of a storm to wake the baby on wash day.

It is the sign of a storm to call a baby ugly in the presence of its mother.

It is the sign of a storm to spit on the pastor's cap when your wife sees it.

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