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(Continued.)
 Harrowby stepped to the telephone. He summoned his forces. A red unobtrusive silence ensued. Then the two men entered the room together.
 "Minot, George, old boy," Lord Harrowby said helplessly. "Miss Meyrick and her father have discovered the existence of a certain insurance policy about which you both know. They have believed that my motive in seeking a marriage was purely mercenary; that my affection for the girl who is—was to have become my wife cannot be sincere. They are wrong—quite wrong. Both of you know that. I've sent for you to help me make them understand. I cannot."
 George Harrowby stepped forward and smiled his kindly smile.
 "My dear young lady," he said, "I regret that policy very deeply. When I first heard of it, I, too, suspected Allan's motives. But after I talked with him—after I saw you—I was convinced that his affection for you was most sincere. I thought back to the gambling schemes for which the family has been noted. I saw it was the old passion cropping out anew in Allan—that he was really not to blame—that beyond any question he was quite devoted to you. Otherwise I'd have done everything in my power to prevent the wedding."
 "Yes," Miss Meyrick's eyes flashed dangerously. "And your other witness, Allan?"
 "The soul of the other witness squirmed in agony. This was too much—too much!"
 "You, Minot," pleaded Harrowby—"you have understood?"
 "I have felt that you were sincerely fond of Miss Meyrick," Minot replied. "Otherwise I should not have done what I have done."
 "Then, Mr. Minot," the girl inquired, "you think I would be wrong to give up all plans for the wedding?"
 "I—I—yes, I do," writhed Minot.
 "And you advise me to marry Lord Harrowby at once?"
 Mr. Minot passed his handkerchief over his damp forehead. Had the girl no mercy?
 "I do," he answered miserably.
 Cynthia Meyrick laughed, harshly, mirthlessly.
 "Because that's your business—your mean little business," she said scornfully. "I know at last why you came to San Marco. I understand everything. You had gambled with Lord Harrowby, and you came here to see that you did not lose your money. Well, you've lost! Carry that news back to the concern you work for! In spite of your heroic efforts you've lost! At the last moment Cynthia Meyrick changed her mind!"

CHAPTER XIX.
Cynthia Breaks With Harrowby.
 "L! ST!" The word cut Minot to the quick. Lost, indeed! Lost Jephson's stake—lost the girl he loved! He had failed Jephson—failed himself! After all he had done, all he had sacrificed, a double defeat and therefore doubly bitter.
 "Cynthia, surely you don't mean"—Lord Harrowby was pleading.
 "I do, Allan," said the girl more gently. "It was true what I told you there by the window. It is far better. Father, will you go down and say I'm not to be married, after all?"
 Spenser Meyrick nodded and turned toward the door.
 "Cynthia," cried Harrowby brokenly. There was no reply. Meyrick went out. "I'm sorry," his lordship said—"sorry I made such a mess of it, the more so because I love you, Cynthia, and always shall. Goodby."
 He held out his hand. She put hers in it.
 "It's too bad, Allan," she said. "But it wasn't to be. And even now you have one consolation—the money that Boyd's must pay you."
 "The money means nothing, Cynthia."
 "Miss Meyrick is mistaken," Minot interrupted. "Lord Harrowby has not even that consolation. Boyd's owes him nothing."
 "Why not?" asked the girl defiantly.
 "Up to an hour ago," said Minot, "you were determined to marry his lordship."
 "I should hardly put it that way. But I intended to."
 "Yes. Then you changed your mind. Why?"
 "I changed it because I found out about this ridiculous policy."
 "Then his lordship's taking out of the policy caused the calling off of the wedding?"
 "Yes. Why?"
 "It may interest you to know and it may interest Lord Harrowby to recall that five minutes before he took out this policy he signed an agreement to do everything in his power to bring about the wedding. And he further promised that if the wedding should

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Saturday evening, December 23, Harrisburg's unofficial Christmas Eve will have a place all its own in the history of the West End, for with the falling twilight the new system of ornamental electric lighting on North Third street will be switched into service.
 City Commissioner Harry F. Bowman, superintendent of public safety, who provided the standard system in response to a general request of West Harrisburg business men and other citizens, yesterday morning completed arrangements with the Harrisburg Light and Power Company to turn on the lights Saturday evening.
 Because of the water and light commissioner's sudden illness it is doubtful if the switching into service of the new system will be marked by any special ceremonies, at least not so far as the city is concerned.
 The installation of the single standards, similar to the type placed on North Second street from Locust to State, was begun late in the Fall and the electric light company had planned to have the service ready for the first week in December so that the new lights could glow as a sort of a commemoration of "electrical week." Delay in the shipments of materials, however, retarded the work considerably, but the company expected then to have the lights in shape to switch on during this week—for the joint benefit of the business men and Christmas shoppers. The work was pushed as rapidly as the arrival of materials would permit, but the job couldn't be finished in time. Commissioner Bowman says he has been informed that the new system will be ready to throw into service Saturday.

TARIFF REVISION IS FORECAST

Democratic Leader Admits Schedules Must Be Raised to Meet Expenses

Washington, D. C., Dec. 20.—Revision of the tariff to prepare for the expected invasion of the surplus manufactures of Europe is likely to form the most important action of the next Congress, according to the views of a member of the ways and means committee conversant with the attitude of President Wilson.
 Such revision by the present Congress would be attempted were it thought anything could be done to overcome the deficit of \$300,000,000. But with comparatively little being imported from Europe at present, any raising of tariff schedules would be futile, said this congressman. He said tariff revision seemed to be the only acceptable means of taxation to produce the needed revenue.
 Tariff revision in the Sixty-fifth Congress, he continued, will come because the measures this Congress adopts to meet the deficit will be so obnoxious that they can be retained no longer than necessity demands. Therefore, while not admitting that they are going to consider a protective tariff in the next session, responsible Democratic leaders to-day admit that there will be a revision of the tariff upward for revenue purposes first and secondarily as a protection against the dumping of the cheap products of Europe following the war.
 President Wilson, who has already indicated that he would not oppose a revision of the tariff, will soon appoint the tariff commission so the next Congress will be furnished with information upon which to act.

PRINCIPAL ENTERTAINS CLASS
 Hummelstown, Pa., Dec. 20.—Members of the senior class of the Hummelstown High School were entertained at the home of Principal and Mrs. Walter A. Geesey. The evening was spent in games and contests, the prize winners being Misses Catharine Crist, Sylvia Cassel and Prof. T. O. Mitman. At a seasonable hour refreshments were served. Those in attendance were Misses Catharine Conrad, Catharine Crist, Myra Ebersole, Catharine Rhoads, Elizabeth Ritts, Ethel Stauffer, Caroline Schaffner, Emma Sutcliffe, Sylvia Cassel and Messrs. Joseph Cassel, Victor Hetrick, Henry Miller and Thomas O. Mitman.

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM
 Hummelstown, Pa., Dec. 20.—On Friday afternoon a Christmas program will be rendered by the High School as follows:
 Music, High School Orchestra; recitation, Caroline Schaffner; Christmas hymn; essay, Miriam Cassel; piano solo, Leta Hitz; song, "Jingle Bells"; recitation, Emma Sutcliffe; essay, Mary Grill; "Holy Night"; recitation, Catharine Strunk; piano solo, Ethel Stauffer; song, "O, Come All Ye Faithful"; Tattler, George Hoerner and Sutcliffe, Sylvia Cassel and Messrs. Sara Shenk.

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