

Among the few actresses who have achieved a European reputation, Mlle Contat was one of the most remarkable, no less for her histrionic talent than for the brilliancy of her wit and the amiability of her personal character.

Following pretty Mlle Contat, the Queen Marie Antoinette had a particular desire to see her in a certain character—that of La Gouvernante—which she had never played, and which was in no respect suited either to her age at that time, (in 1790,) or to her style of acting.

During the revolutionary struggle which followed the death of Louis XVI., Mlle Contat had been intimately connected with Madame de Beauharnois, who much courted the society of celebrated artists and actors; and after she became the wife of the first Consul, and subsequently the Empress of the French, the amiable Josephine still continued to receive them with a favor almost amounting to her old friendship.

One day in August, 1805, Mlle Contat, who was a favorite of the Empress, called to pay her respects to her Majesty at the Palace of St. Cloud, and Josephine, on taking leave of her, asked her to come and breakfast with her next morning.

The shrewd artiste saw at once how matters stood, and immediately took her leave, and was returning to Paris in her carriage, when she was met by the Emperor, who was coming to St. Cloud, and who, on recognizing her, stopped his carriage and spoke to her.

An explanation of her errand took place, and the cause of its being an abortive one. The Emperor, as Contat had done, saw thro' the affair immediately, and smiling significantly, he said to her—"It appears then, that I have come in the very nick of time to fill the place of my wife. You came to breakfast with the empress—you will, I hope, stay to breakfast with the Emperor."

The intimation was not to be gainsaid, and Mlle Contat returned to the palace, where the breakfast was a most agreeable one, the Emperor playing the amiable in the most fascinating manner.

In the mean time, the Empress and her Lady of Honor had heard of the rencontre, and were not a little anxious as to the result; for they judged rightly that the Emperor was aware of all that had passed.

As soon as Mlle Contat had taken her leave, the Emperor went to the apartment of Josephine, and with his usual brusquerie, addressed her as follows:—"Madam, when one commits an error, it is always better to hear the consequences of it badly, than to throw them upon others' shoulders. The case of Mlle Contat is one which should have reminded you that Louis Quatorze, once felt himself called upon to sit down to table with Moliere. I happened in the present instance, to arrive in time to repair the error; but I must really beg you to observe that my time is too much occupied to admit of its being employed in repaying debts incurred by other people."

Josephine saw that Napoleon was really angry, and she wept—an appeal which never failed to touch Napoleon, who, instead of returning to Paris immediately, as he had intended, remained at St. Cloud the whole day with his beloved and too loving wife; and when Mlle Contat visited the Empress some time afterwards, she thanked her for having been the occasion of one of the happiest days of her life.

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