

"And suppose the servant refuses to risk...
"Let us not worry ourselves, my dear, by supposing any thing. Let us wait and hear what happens, and act accordingly. When you are ready to write, tell me, and I will dictate your letter on this occasion. I wish to make the vicar's man of business understand that we act as we do, knowing, in the first place, that Mr. Andrew Trevorton can not be dealt with according to the established usages of society; and knowing in the second place, that the information which his servant affords us is contained in an extract from a printed book, and is in no way, directly or indirectly, connected with Mr. Trevorton's private affairs. Now, my dear, you have made consent to this compromise, Rosamond, I must justify it as completely as possible to others as well as myself."

"Seeing that resolution was firmly settled, Rosamond had not time to obtain from saying anything more. The letter was written exactly as Leonard dictated it. When it had been placed in the post bag, and when the other letters of the morning had been read and answered, Mr. Frankland reminded his wife of the intention she had expressed at breakfast-time of visiting the north garden, and requested that she would take him there with her. He readily acknowledged that since he had been reading the letter, Doctor Channery's letter, he could give five times the sum demanded by Shrowl for the copy of the plan, if the Myrtle Room could be discovered without assistance from any one, before the letter to the vicar's man of business was put into the post. Nothing would give him so much pleasure as said, as to be able to send a refusal to treat for the plan in its place.

"They went into the north garden, and there Rosamond's eyes were convinced that she had not the slightest idea of the way to the Myrtle Room. From the garden they returned to the north hall, and had the door opened that led into the north hall. They were shown the place on the pavement where the keys had been found, and the place at the top of the first flight of stairs where Mrs. Joseph had been discovered when the alarm was given. At Mr. Frankland's suggestion, the door of the room which immediately fronts this spot was opened. It presented a dreary prospect of dust and dirt and dimness. Some old pictures were piled against one of the walls, some faded chairs were heaped together in the middle of the floor, some broken china lay on the mantle-piece, and a rotten cabinet, croaked there from top to bottom, stood in one corner. Three or four of the furniture and fittings-up of the room were all carefully examined, but nothing of the smallest importance—nothing tending in the most remote degree to clear up the mystery of the Myrtle Room—was discovered. Mr. Frankland next suggested that there might be marks of foot-steps on the dusty floor of the landing, but nothing of the sort could be found. Nothing but a laid down some former period, and the surface, torn, ragged and rotten with age, was so uneven in every part to allow the dust to lie smoothly on it. Here and there, where there was a hole through the landing, Mr. Frankland's servant thought he detected marks in the dust which might have been produced by the toe of the heel of a shoe; but these faint and doubtful indications lay wide and yards apart from each other, and to draw any conclusion of the slightest importance from them was simply an act of plain insanity. After spending more than an hour in examining the north side of the house, Rosamond was obliged to confess that the servants were right when they predicted on first opening the door into the hall, that she would discover nothing.

"The letter must go, Lennox," she said, when they returned to the breakfast-room.
"There is no help for it," answered her husband. "Send away the post bag, and let us say no more about it."
The letter was dispatched by that day's post in the remote position of Portglenage, and in the unfinished state of the railroad at that time, would elapse before an answer from London could be reasonably hoped for. Feeling that it would be better for Rosamond if this period of suspense was passed out of the house, Mr. Frankland proposed to fill up the time by a little excursion along the coast to some place famous for their scenery, which would be likely to interest his wife, and which she might enjoy herself in describing on her return to the spot for the benefit of her blind husband. This suggestion was immediately acted on. The young couple left Portglenage, and only returned on the evening of the second day.

"On the morning of the third day, the signal for letter from the vicar's man of business lay on the table when Leonard and Rosamond entered the breakfast-room. Shrowl had declined to accept Mr. Frankland's condition—first because he felt that any man must be out of his wits who would hold a five-pound note when it was offered him; secondly because he believed that his master was not absolutely dependent on him to turn him away for any cause whatever. Accordingly the bargain had been struck in five minutes, and there was the copy of the plan, enclosed with the letter of explanation, to attest the fact.
Rosamond spread the all-important document out on the table with trembling hands, looked over eagerly for a few moments, and laid her finger on the square that represented the position of the Myrtle Room. "Here it is," she cried.
"Oh, Lennox, how my heart beats! One, two, three, four—the door is in the first floor landing, is it not?" she asked.
"Yes, it is," answered her husband.
"She would have called at once for the keys of the north rooms; but her husband insisted on her waiting until she had composed herself a little, and until she had taken some breakfast. In spite of all he could say, the meal was hurried over so rapidly, that in ten minutes more his wife's arm was in his, and she was leading him to the stair-case.

The gardener's proposition about the water-bed had been verified; it had turned to lead-heavy misty vapour, dull heat. One white vapour cloud spread thinly all over the heaven, rolled down seaward on the horizon line, and dalled the sharp edges of the distant moorland view. The sunlight shone pale and trembled; the lightest, highest leaves of flowers at open windows were still; the domestic animals lay about sleepily in dark corners. Chance household noises sounded heavy and loud in the languid air stillness which the heat seemed to hold over the earth. Down in the servant's hall the usual bustle of morning work was suspended. When Rosamond looked on her way to the household's room to get the keys, the women were fanning themselves, and the men were talking with their coats off. They were all sitting perky about the heat, and all agreeing that such a day as that in the month of June, they had never known and never heard of before.
Rosamond took the keys, declined the housekeeper's offer to accompany her, and leading her husband along the passage, unlocked the door of the north hall.

"How unusually cool it is here!" she said, as she entered the dimly lit passage.
At the foot of her husband's stairs, and took a firmer hold of her husband's arm, and said, "Is any thing the matter?" asked Leonard.
"No, no," she answered, hastily. "I am far too excited to feel either heat or damp, as I might feel them at other times. But, Lennox, supporting your arm about Mrs. Joseph's right?"

"And, supposing we discover the secret of the Myrtle Room, might it not turn out to be some thing of a very nature to my mother which we do not know? I thought of that once, but Mrs. Pembroke offered to accompany us, and it determined me to come here alone with you."
"It is just as likely that the secret might be something we ought to know," replied Mr. Frankland, after a moment's thought. "In any case, my idea about Mrs. Joseph is, after all, only a guess in the dark. However, Rosamond, if you feel any hesitation—"

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