A Knave of Conscience

By FRANCIS LYNDE.

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herself free in a twinkling, and was up and at it, thrashing through and over the seas which seemed to spring up out of the foam reek as if by magic. Griswold took the end of the sheet-line in his teeth, and so had an arm for the tiller and one for Charlotte; and in the thick of it the catboat shot away for the bay and safety. As befitted him, Griswold had eyes for nothing save the seas and the straining sail, and it was a little shriek from his companion that made him glance aside.

"The launch!" she cried. "It's going to capsize!"

Whoever was responsible for the steering of the launch had done a thing to be repented of, and not now, by any means, to be repaired. He had put the little vessel's head to the storm instead of running before it, which was the better chance, and now, when the waves were breaking over the low bows, it was too late to take the alternative. Any attempt to turn tail and run before it must inevitably put the narrow-beamed launch into the trough of the seas, and yet this was what the foolish steersman was evidently trying to do.

Griswold luffed a little from the mere life saver's instinct, but he remembered his own responsibility and let the catboat fall off again.

"Don't look," he said, shortly. "There will be another tragedy over there in a minute or two."

"Oh, go to them, Mr. Griswold! Please don't mind me!" she pleaded. "Give me the sheet to manage; I know how, and I'm not afraid now."

He looked into her eyes and saw the heroine there; the heroine that he had known was in her from that first seeing of her in the far-away southern city. It made his love for her fill his heart to bursting, and at the moment he could have met death at her side with a smile.

With that look to steady him, he put the tiller down, crouching with her to keep the launch in sight. But as the catboat came around to thrash sidewise through the reek and spume on her errand of rescue, the launch lurched to its jammed helm, swung into the trough, rolled heavily once or twice and disappeared.

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It was fortunate for all concerned that the rescue of the members of the launch party did not hang wholly upon the upcoming of the "Sprite." The distance to be covered was not great, but with a howling gale fairly abeam the catboat steered like a sand-flat, and Griswold had his hands full to lay the course and hold to it. Recalling it afterward, he liked to think that it would have been impossible but for Charlotte's help. For a terror-stricken moment she crouched beside him, as helplessly frightened as any woman could be. But at the critical instant she sat up very straight and relieved him of the tiller.

"You manage the sail; I can steer!" she cried; and she did it like a sailor, bracing herself and easing the laboring catboat through the seas as skillfully as any skipper of them all.

Yet it was lucky that not all the lives spilled overboard by the capsizing of the launch depended upon the heroic endeavors of these two in the "Sprite." Other help was at hand and nearer. The launch was no more than fairly helpless when the flag-

HE CLUTCHED THE DESPAIRING HAND.

boat of the Wahaska Yacht club rounded the southern point of the island, close-reefed, but driving at railway speed before the squall. Her skipper saw the accident and was happily a man for an emergency. Moreover, he had a trained yacht's crew aboard, ready to spring to quarters at his yelled command. So it came about that the "Diana" was the first on the scene, and her crew was picking up the shipwrecked ones when the "Sprite" came up, head to the wind, in the thrashing seas.

Notwithstanding, the "Sprite" had its mission, and for all the quick work of the big sloop's trained crew, one life would have gone out in the smothering billows but for the upcoming of the catboat. In all the fierce excitement of the moment, it was Charlotte who kept cool, and it was she who caught a glimpse of a white head upthrust for a moment; of that and of a hand flung out to grasp hopelessly at nothing. In a flash she gave Griswold his cue and jammed the tiller down to utilize the last forging rush of the catboat's momentum. The reefed sail had spilled and would draw no more, but the quick sweep of the big rudder sufficed; and Griswold, leaning far over the side, clutched the despairing hand just as it was disappearing.

This was how it came about that an old man whose span of years had well-nigh bridged the little rift of Time which lies between the two shores of Eternity, was helped to make that rift a little wider. For all his years, and the fierce struggle in the foam-smother, Andrew Galbraith was yet conscious when Griswold dragged him over the gunwale of the catboat; and his first gasped-out word was characteristic of the man.

"I—I told that gandering loon of an engineer he'd lose Mr. Grierson's boat, and he's done it the noo! And I's warrant she cost a pretty penny, too."

With the lake still lashed into fury by the squall, which was now spending itself in spiteful catspaws, Griswold had his hands full with the "Sprite;" and yet in all the distraction of it he saw the shadow of a smile in Charlotte's eyes, and found time to answer it. Found time for this, and for the thought which welled up in sudden ecstacy at this little lover's proof of the consanguinity of kindred souls. But after that he became the cool and intrepid sailor-man again.

Taking the tiller, he let the catboat fall off until he could speak the yacht.

"Sloop ahoy!" he called; "have you got them all?"

"All but one," was the answer, blown back on the gale.

"All right; we have that one," shouted Griswold; and at the word, the two boats shot apart, each to make its laboring way towards the Wahaskan haven.

Andrew Galbraith was silent on the short run before the gale to the pier-head at the foot of Main street. For one thing, he was not a man of many words; and for another, he was chilled through and thoroughly uncomfortable.

None the less, he made shift to thank his rescuers in fitting phrase at the point of debarkation, and to intimate, as a gentleman might, that his gratitude would wait upon a fitting opportunity to take a more substantial form. Charlotte offered to walk home, that Griswold might see Mr. Galbraith safe to his hotel, but this the old man would by no means permit.

"Na, na," he said, relapsing, as he did now and then, into the Scottish mother-tongue. "I'm wet as any drowned rat, but I'm not that badly fashed. Take the leddy home, Mr. Griswold, and do you two be seeing after yourselves. You're as wet as I am."

Accordingly, Griswold accompanied Charlotte to her own gate, and then went home to change his clothes. Just what he meant to do afterwards was not very clearly defined, but during the changing interval he made up his mind with sudden determination. Whatever should come of it, the thing for which all other things must wait must be said. He had reached the parting of the ways; he knew, as he might have known from the moment of love-making on the "Belle Julie," that life without Charlotte to share it with him would henceforth be no more than a shadow of the real.

He had a good excuse for going straight away back to Dr. Farnham's. The very least he could do would be to call and ask if she had come through the adventure with no worse consequence than a shock and a wetting. And yet, when he had let himself out of Mrs. Holcomb's gate he did not go directly to the house on the lake's edge. Instead, he made a long detour, walking aimlessly and deeply buried in thought. This thing which he was about to do was not to be done lightly. So far from it, the more he pondered over it the more he realized that it was likely to prove the turning point in his life. Now, that he gave himself the backward glance which he had steadily refused since the morning of the Bayou bank incident to take, he saw that he had been living tentatively; passing from day to day as one who waits upon the event of the day; looking neither backward nor forward. Though he had worked faithfully, doing the thing that lay next to his hand, he knew now that his work, on his book or in the office with Raymer, had been purely extrinsic to any well-considered future. But now the future demanded thoughtful consideration—would have it, whether or no; and, as was inevitable, the past colored every forecasting picture.

For one thing, he had come to that stone of stumbling which he had forseen in his earliest imaginings touching his future relations with Charlotte. Without being unduly besotted, the hope that he should not plead with her in vain was almost an assurance. If he could gain his own consent to let the past lie buried in oblivion, the vista of the future opened out before him with all the barriers to happiness brushed aside. And yet, try as he might to resolve to hold his peace touching the past, he could not bring himself to the point of taking her conscience unawares. He was far enough from realizing that his own conscience was interposing this obstacle. He thought, when he allowed himself to think in that direction, that he had settled the conscientious scruples for himself once and for all. Nevertheless, there had been moments, brief, fleeting moments, for the most part, when he would have given the reversion of years of life to be as he had been before the pistol-drawing incident in Andrew Galbraith's private office. But these little upflashes of remorse had been but match flares, going out in a sudden whiff of the wind of finality. For the thing was done irrevocably and could never be undone.

In the aimless detour which led him from street to street and finally into a road that brought him out upon the lake front far from town, these things all came up for a hearing, and he gave them room patiently, as a judge hears a plea that he knows well he must disregard. The storm was over, and the sun was setting in all the glory of the broken cloud rack in the west. Griswold had the artist's eye for nature's grandeur, and at another time the sunset would have held him spellbound. But now he plodded along with hands behind him and his head down, seeing nothing but the all too clear vista of the past, and that other vista of the future which had but now become a valley of shadows.

So plodding along the lake drive, he came at length to the boundaries of Jasper Grierson's domain, and almost before he knew it, he was climbing the path to Mereside. At the very veranda steps he came alive to some sense of what he was about to do, and would have stopped to weigh the consequences—to turn back, it may be. But a trim little figure slipped from a hammock at the corner of the veranda and Margery came to meet him.

"I'm so glad," she said, standing at the steps to give him both her hands in welcome. "I did so hope you would come."

(Continued next week.)

WILL DEFEND SMITH.

Senator Hanna Comes to Aid of General Who Was Retired by President Roosevelt.

Senator Hanna has interested himself in the case of Gen. "Jake" Smith, known as "Hell-Roaring Jake," who was summarily retired by the president on account of his "kill-and-burn" order in the Philippines, and in all probability will introduce at this session a bill to restore him to the army.

All of the brgadier generalships have been filled, and Mr. Hanna's plan is to introduce a bill in the senate creating a new one for the sake of restoring Gen. Smith.

Before this is done Senator Hanna will consult with the president to find

GEN. JACOB SMITH.
(Senator Hanna Will Seek to Have Him Restored to Army.)

out if, under all the circumstances, Mr. Roosevelt desires to keep Gen. Smith in the army. He wishes it understood that he does not intend to precipitate any contest with the president and will only move in Gen. Smith's behalf because he thinks an injustice has been done and because a large number of army officers support him in this view.

Senator Hanna will confer with Gen. Chaffee in Cleveland within a few days in regard to the case and will be guided largely by his opinion. Inasmuch as the general, since his return from the Philippines, has expressed the opinion that Gen. Smith's campaign in Samar was no more severe than the circumstances warranted, it is altogether probable that he will urge Senator Hanna to move for reinstatement.

Gen. Smith has already said that his orders from Gen. Chaffee were even more vigorous than he himself is credited with giving, and it is known that the two officers stand together on the case.

Senator Hanna will not introduce his bill until he has become convinced that a majority of his republican colleagues will support the measure.

PRINCE IN CONGRESS.

Hawaii Will Be Represented on the Floor of the House by a Genuine Sprig of Royalty.

The election of Prince Cupid Kalanianaole, the delegate from Hawaii, introduces to the congress of the United States its first member of royal blood. This kingly scion will be without a vote. He will get his salary and the privilege of the floor and that will let him out. Prince Cupid's real name is Jonah Kunio Kalanianaole. It is written thus by native Hawaiians who know him and his family. He is a brother of Prince David who was a delegate to the national democratic

PRINCE KALANIANAOLE.
Hawaiian Sprig of Royalty Elected Delegate to Congress.)

convention in 1900, and who cast the vote maintaining silver in the democratic platform.

The generally accepted name of Prince Cupid came to him not at his baptism, but by general consent. It is so thoroughly atached to him that it would be impossible to speak of him in public either in Hawaii or elsewhere as other than Prince Cupid. He has been elected as a republican, but his personal sympathies are strongly royalist.

Those who know Prince Cupid say he is belligerent and touchy on points of honor regarding himself and his race. He is a born fighter, and when the Boer war broke out he tendered his services to the British government as a soldier and saw active duty on the veldts of South Africa. He has a medal from the king of Great Britain in recognition of his soldierly bearing and faithful service under his adopted flag.

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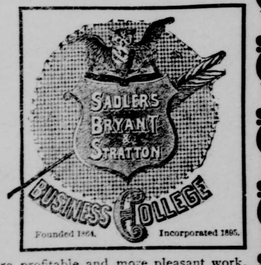

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