The Dream Ended

At the wedding there was a supper at the boulevard restaurant and, after the supper, a dance. Early in the evening Marius Lournier approached the radiant young bride and extended his hand.

"Good-by, my child," he said. "Are you going so soon, father? Pleas stay a little longer." Cecile coaxed, looking at him affectionately.

"No, you cannot persuade me. I feel—rather tired."

And he added with a dismal smile: "I am not as young as I used to be."

He made his adieux to the bridal pair and walked slowly home to his cottage at Montrogue.

Marius Lournier was fifty years old, but possessed of a modest fortune and a philosophical disposition. He had long been a widower, and his experience of matrimony had not been pleasant enough to tempt him to repeat it.

One drizzling November night, as he entered his garden, his attention was attracted by the vaguely outlined figure of a woman who at that instant sank rather than sat down upon the public bench hard by. He peered through the darkness at the shadowy form and, seeing that it did not move, mechanically reopened the gate and walked toward it.

He found a girl of perhaps twenty, poorly clad, but with an appearance of distinction. She seemed utterly exhausted and her face was bathed in tears. He questioned her gently, but her replies were vague and unsatisfactory.

"But you cannot stay here in the rain, ma[illegible]."

In spite of her resistance—which was but feble, poor thing!—Marius raised her from the bench and drew her towards the house. When at last she was seated before a cheery fire she consented to tell her sad story.

Her name was Cecile Martel, and she was the daughter of an army captain who had died in the service. With her mother she had come to Paris in the hope of obtaining a tobacco shop license which had been promised to the widow long ago.

Their last article of furnature, their few trinklets, had been sacrificed to obtain funds for the journey.

Soon after their arrival the mother had died very suddenly, leaving Cecile alone and almost penniless in the great city in which she did not know a human soul.

By dint of great economy the girl had contrived to live for a few weeks on the little woney remaining in her purse; but that morning her landlady had informed her with great politeness that she must either pay her arrears of rent or go elsewhere.

She had wandered through the streets all day, without eating or resting, and at night had turned her steps instanctively toward the cemetery at Montrogue where her mother lay at rest.

This pitiful tale, told in almost inaudible tones, and interrupted by fits of shivering and weeping, affected Marius deeply.

He hastily got togather the elements of a rudimentary banquet; but Cecile, in spite of her desire to show her appreciation of this unhoped for succor, could not eat a mouthful. Though the room was warm, she shivered more and more, until at last, overcome by fatigue, she closed her eyes and fell asleep.

"This will never do," thought Marius. "She will get pneumonia or something in her damp clothes."

"If only there were a woman in the house! Then we could put the poor child to bed."

He wrapped a big cloak about her and fell to studying her face. It was not strikingly pretty. but it was a pleasing face and a good face. It's greatest beauty was now veiled—the large, velvety black eyes, tender and passionate. Suddenly she moaned and then Marius saw that her face war scarlet and her breathing labored.

"Ah! Just what I feared," he exclaimed, and ran to fetch a physician. The doctor pronounced the case very serious, and sent a nurse to take care of the girl during the night. In the morning she must be sent to the hospital!

"The hospital!" thought Marius, who had a horror of hospitals.

"Hasn't the poor child suffered enough already?"

He lay awake all night, thinking, and when the ambulance came in the morning he curtly sent it away.

Months elapsed before Cecile was pronounced out of danger. Marius Lournier found himself intensely interested in the batt'e of life and death, and was overjoyed when the physician informed him that the crisis was passed.

Strength and health resumed their sway, and Cecile wrought a wonderful transformation in the lonely home. Throughly femiuine in her love of everything that is [illegible], Marius, enchanted by the simple elegance which had succeeded to the former disorder of his home, smiled gratefully upon the fairy who had brought about the change.

He took his meals at home and long conversations with his Chateline replaced the nightly sessions at the card table. He was so happy, basking in this mild and wholesome physical and moral atmosphere, that he took no account of the flight of time. After some months of this idyllic existence, she suddenly became very serious and sad. Marius, greatly surprised, questioned her, and finally she said:

"I think that I ought not to live any longer at your—"

But Marius frowned so fiercely that she checked herself.

"Oh, do not doubt my affection," she exclaimed. "I am not ungrateful, believe me. But I must earn my own living. My self-respect demands that."

"Well, well!" said Marius, impatiently. "We will speak of that tomorrow."

But that very day a friendly neighbor, an old lady, said to him:

"My dear M. Lournier, I feel it my duty to tell you that people are beginning to talk. I know that you are the soul of honor and that Cecile is an angel, but evil tongues will wag. Why don't you stop them?"

"How can I?"

"By marrying Cecile."

"What! Do you imagine that she—"

"I imagine nothing. I know she is in love with you. Trust a woman's intuition."

And the old lady added with a smile:

"What if you are fifty, so long as you don't look it?"

Marry Cecile? He? What an absurd idea!

But the more he thought of it the less absurd it appeared. And, looking squarely into his heart, he saw that he loved the girl passionately. The little fairy had given him back his youth and awakened the heart that he had thought dead forever.

Ah! If the old lady's intuition was correct!

Then he began to pay great attention to his dress and manners. He even gave up his pipe. Cecile noticed his rejuvenation and complimented him upon it frankly, and then he felt inspired to tell her his love and ask her to be his wife.

She listened in smiling silence and, in a burst of grateful affection, put her hand in that of her benefactor and said: "Yes."

The wedding was arranged to take place in the autumn.

Meanwhile, Marius lived at a hotel, but came every day to see his young sweetheart, who always welcomed him with a smile of tender affection.

The summer wore on, and there came a time when the smile gave place to grief and tears as soon as the unconsious lover's back was turned.

Then, one evening, he came and heard Cecile's voice and another's coming from the unlighted parlor. He recognized the other voice as that of a young architect who was spending his vacation with his mother, the lady who suggested the marriage of Marius and Cecile.

The situation at once became horrible clear to Marius. He listened.

"You are unkind," Cecile was saying. "I cannot be your wife, you know that."

"I only know that I hate the old fool," the young man replied.

"Hush! Robert! You shall not insult him."

"I hate him, I say! He has ruined my life."

"He loves me, Robert, and I owe him everything. I have given him my promise—and I will keep it."

"But it is enough to drive me mad! I will tell him to his face that I love you—and that you love me!"

"If you love as you say you do, Robert, you will let me do my simple duty."

Marius had heard enough. He went back to his hotel, staggering like a drunken man.

He was an old fool, then?

An old fool?

He asked his mirror and it told him the trouth.

How had he come to forget his thin grey hair and the crow's feet about his eyes and to fancy that Cecile could really love him?

Yes! He was an old fool.

To a night of agony succeeded a heroic resolve.

He sought Cecile and said:

"My child, I have come to the conclusion that an old fellow like me who has been single so long, had better remain single. I give you back your promise."

Cecile's heart leaped for joy, but she replied:

"I do not understand you, dear Marius."

"Hush!" said he. "Call me 'Father' won't you, my dear?"

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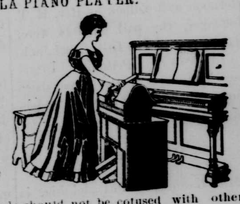

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Ordered, this 10th day of August 1903, that the sale of the property mentioned in these proceedings, made and reported by Fred. R. Owens, Assignee, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 12th day of October next,—Provided a copy of this Order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Caroline county, once in each of three successive weeks, before the 11th day of September, next.

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				A. M.		A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
P. M.	P. M.	P. M.		7.00	Lv. Baltimore Ar.	11.40	11.40	10.30	9.00	9.00	9.30
3.15	4.00	2.00		8.55	Ar. Love Point Lv.	9.45	9.45	8.30	7.10	7.10	7.10
5.05	6.30	3.50			Ar. Queenstown Lv.			7.00	6.10	6.10	
6.05		4.50		A. M.		A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
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				A. M.			A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
P. M.			6.13	9.10	9.00	Lv. Love Point Ar.	9.35	9.45	8.20	8.25	7.00	11.34
9.2			6.17	9.17		Stevensville	9.26		8.12		6.52	11.26
9.4			6.20	9.22		Chester	9.22		8.08		6.47	11.22
9.42			6.25	9.29		Narrows	9.19		8.05		f 6.44	f11.19
f 9.45	f 8.00		6.30	9.31		Winchester	9.14		8.00		6.38	11.14
9.50	8.07		6.35	9.36	x 9.30	Waisey	f 9.08		f 7.57		f 6.35	f11.11
f 9.53	f 8.09		6.37			Queenstown	9.03	x 9.23	7.52	x 8.04	6.30	11.07
9.57	8.15	x 4.22	4.31			Centreville Ar.						
						Lv. Bloomingdale	f 8.58		f 7.47		f 6.22	f11.02
f10.02	f 8.30		f 4.36	9.41		Wye Mills	f 8.52		f 7.41		f 6.18	f10.55
f10.08	f 8.37		f 4.42	9.46		Willoughby	f 8.46		f 7.35		f 6.12	f10.50
f10.14	f 8.33		f 4.48	9.51		D. & C. Junction						
						Queen Anne	8.38	x 9.01	7.27	x 7.42	6.03	10.42
10.22	8.43	x 4.42	4.56	9.58	x 9.39	Downes	8.32		f 7.17		5.57	10.36
10.28	8.50		5.02	10.04		Tuckahoe	f 8.30		7.12	x 7.30	f 5.54	f10.33
f10.31	f 8.53		f 5.05	f10.07		Denton	8.24	x 8.50	7.05		5.48	10.27
10.37	9.00	x 4.55	5.11	10.13	x 9.50	Hobbs	8.18		6.58		5.43	10.21
10.43	9.07		5.17	10.18		Hickman	8.11		f 6.54		5.33	10.12
10.52	9.11		5.24	10.25		Adamsville	f 8.07		f 6.50		f 5.22	f10.04
f10.55	f 9.18		f 5.28	f10.29		Blanchard	f 8.03	x 8.38	6.45	x 7.08	5.15	9.57
f11.00	f 9.24		f 5.33	f10.35		Greenwood	7.57		f 6.35		f 5.06	f 9.51
11.07	9.32	x 5.15	5.39	10.39	x 10.11	Owens	f 7.49		f 6.31		f 5.01	f 9.46
f11.13	f 9.40		f 5.46	f10.46		Oakley	f 7.44		6.24	x 6.54	4.53	9.39
f11.18	f 9.45		f 5.50	f10.50		Ellendale	7.37	x 8.14	6.16		f 4.45	f 9.32
11.25	9.53	x 5.30	5.58	10.57	x 10.25	Wolfe	f 7.30		6.11	x 6.44	4.39	9.26
f11.32	f10.02		f 6.05	f11.04		Milton	7.23	x 8.05	6.02		f 4.30	f 9.18
11.38	10.08	x 5.40	6.11	11.10	x 10.35	Whitesboro	f 7.14		f 5.59		f 4.27	f 9.16
f11.46	f10.17		f 6.19	f11.18		Overbrook	f 7.11		5.52		4.18	9.07
f11.48	f10.20		f 6.21	f11.21		Lewes	7.03		5.50	6.30		9.05
11.57	10.29		6.28	11.28		Lewes Per.	7.01	7.50	5.30	6.00	4.00	8.40
		5.55	6.30	11.30	10.50	Rehoboth Lv.	6.45	7.30	5.10			7.50
		6.19	6.54	11.51	11.14	Ar. Cape May Lv.		6.30	4.30	5.10		
12.15	10.47		7.15	12.50	12.10		A. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.
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	Miles	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.
Queenstown Lv.	38.07	6.35	9.38	4.33	8.06	7.03	4.48	9.38
Centreville Jct.	33.90							
Briston	40.60	f 6.42	f 9.45	f 4.40	f 8.13	f 7.10	f 4.55	f 9.45
Perlee	42.32	f 6.47	f 9.50	f 4.45	f 8.18	f 7.15	f 5.00	f 9.50
Centreville Ar.	44.36	6.52	9.55	4.50	8.25	7.20	5.05	9.55
		P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.

WESTWARD.—Read Upward.

STATIONS.	Distance between Stations.	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily Ex. Sat. & Sun.	Daily Ex. Sunday.	Daily Ex. Sat. & Sun.	Saturday Only.	Sunday Only.	Sunday Only.	Sunday Only.
	Miles	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.
Queenstown Ar.		8.53	2.48	5.29	7.54	4.17	7.59	6.39	7.49
Centreville Jct.	0.83								
Briston	1.70	f 8.45	f 2.40	f 5.23	f 7.43	f 4.10	f 7.53	f 6.13	f 7.42
Perlee	1.72	f 8.40	f 2.35	f 5.19	f 7.38	f 4.05	f 7.49	f 6.08	f 7.37
Centreville Lv.	1.94	8.35	2.30	5.15	7.33	4.00	7.45	6.03	7.32
		A. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	P. M.	P. M.

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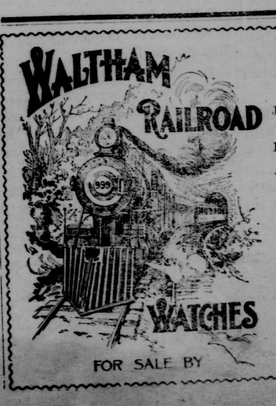

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