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DENTON MARYLAND.

"Shrink Not."

In the early winter of 1852, Nathan Atherling lay dying in a New Jersey city, not very far from the Hudson. He had amassed great wealth in mercantile business, but now in the prime of his life, he was to leave it all behind him. His wife had been dead several years, and his only near and dear relative was his daughter Ada—the only child that had ever been born to bless him—and a blessing indeed had she been—"the light of his home; the pride and joy of his heart; and the sweet, pure flower that had shed a celestial fragrance over the later years of his life." The daughter stood by her father's bedside, both her hands clasped in his.

"Ada," said the dying man, "when I am gone you will be left the mistress of great wealth, and I need not tell you of the many trials and temptations you may be called upon to endure, nor of the manifold snares which designing people may set in your path. I have tried to educate you well and truly, and I know you have been a diligent student in all things appertaining to the laws of life. But you must allow me to speak one word more of parental counsel. In three years you will have reached your majority, and will then become sole guardian of your property. I hope you may live long to enjoy it; but that enjoyment must depend much upon the character of the partner to whom you shall give your hand and your heart. Oh, my child, be wise—be circumspect. Marry no poor man simply because he is handsome and good-hearted; and choose no scion of wealth simply because of his wealth. Let your choice be governed by sterling merit; and to that end do you cultivate self-respect without pride, and a virtue of life and judgment without ostentation.—God help you, sweet one, in that important ordeal. Remember the last prayer of my soul shall be to that end."

No maiden could be more generally courted by the marriageable young gentlemen of her acquaintance than was the beautiful orphan heiress, Ada Atherling. At the age of eighteen, by provision of her father's will, she came into full possession of very nearly a million of dollars. A girl with more of haughty pride might have kept all poor admirers at a distance; but so mild and sc kind was she—so respectful to all whom she considered worthy to be held as friends—so deferential to modest merit—and so utterly oblivious of all qualities of rank and fashion when linked with selfishness and snobbishness, that young men of humble station ere long learned that she could be kind and respectful to them, and that she could smile upon them as sweetly as upon those more favored of fortune.

At length, when Ada had reached the age of twenty, there were two men who had come nearer to her heart than had any others. One was Philip Nettleton, and the other was Amos Robbins. Both were book-keepers in heavy New York houses, and both had prospects of soon being admitted into actual business partnership.—Both were honorable, sober, kind-hearted men, and both were called handsome.

Philip Nettleton was the more intellectual of the two; the more studious, meditative and reserved. Amos Robbins was the more polished, sparkling, witty and freely social.

Both of those young men loved Ada Atherling, and though she had never, by word or sign, given either of them to understand that she could return that love, yet she had shown, in many ways, that their position in life did not in the least, limit her respect and esteem, but on the contrary, she treated them with far more consideration than she did those who came floating upon the golden sea of fortune.

The sad and darksome weeks of 1857 were passing. Financial ruin swept up and down the business highways of that great city. On Tuesday, October 13th, the day they saw twenty banks in New York suspend—when ten thousand people had been thrown out of employment in New Jersey city—the house with which Robbins was connected failed; and the next day the house where Nettleton had all his hopes of business anchored went by the board.—They had been among the best houses in New York, and had held out to the last, but the besom had swept their credit away, and the ruin was absolute.

So Philip Nettleton and Amos Robbins were without employment, and without money; for, in anticipation of entering into partial proprietorship in their respective establishments they had allowed their surplus of salary to remain in the hands of their employers, and in neither case had a dollar been saved. The man, who, on the morning of the first day of that eventful month of October, might have retired from [illegible] a fortune, now found himself [illegible] of not one solitary dollar.

Nettleton was sore distressed.—He was an orphan, and a sick sister had depending upon him for support for [illegible] now lay prostrate, [illegible] must have succor and comfort.—[illegible] up and down the business [illegible] work, where he was acquaintance as a clerk or salesman; [illegible] employment. Then he sought [illegible] city where he lived; but [illegible] without success. Weary and sick at heart [illegible] his way homeward, when he met [illegible] of whom he had that day [illegible] some meat, and to whom he had [illegible] the story of his great need.

'Well, Philip, what luck to-day?'

The young man shook his head sadly.

'Nothing turned up, eh?'

'Nothing,' and Philip would have passed on; but the frank, well-meaning old butcher detained him.

'Looke'e, Phillip, I don't want to insult ye, nor hurt yer feelings, but if ye ain't above putting on a clean white frock, and driving out my market wagon, and delivering goods to my customers, I can give you a job, and pay ye as much as they'd pay ye these times to sell silks and satins. My man Furbush is down sick, and can't be out for a month or two. What say you?'

Philip Nettleton gazed up into Mr. Dwinal's honest face, and then looked down upon the pavement.

'I know it's rather a come down for a young man who's been expecting to be a New York merchant; but it's better than nothing, my boy; and, what's more, I know it'll be good for your health. My soul, it'll make your cheeks red and plump.' A little while longer—a struggle, and a gulp—and Philip said:

'Mr. Dwinal, I will come to-morrow morning and commence to drive your cart. Thank God, I have found employment at length!' And to himself he said, silently in his heart, 'Poor Nellie shall not suffer while I have strength and opportunity to labor.'

What a wonderment there was when people saw Philip Nettleton, the highly educated and the ornate, clad in a butcher's frock, driving Mr. Dwinal's cart, and delivering parcels of meat and vegetables through the town.

It did not happen on the first day, nor yet on the second, but on the third day he had to deliver a parcel at the house where Ada Atherling lived; and as he passed through the gateway, with a heavy laden basket upon either arm, he saw the woman whom he had learned to love looking upon him from one of the parlor windows. He did not bow his head in shame, but he gave a respectful nod of recognition, and passed on. When he was once more upon his seat, and had taken up the reins—knowing that the gaze of the maiden was still fixed upon him—he said to himself:

'Farewell, Ada. You can never stoop to this. But I have never had a right to hope—so what have I lost?—what, save the privilege of your sometime companionship, which might only have lured me more deeply into the pit of disappointment and sorrow!'

On the evening of that same day Amos Robbins sat in the little counting-room of the store of a friend. Two ladies stood very near to the partition thereof, the upper part of which was of glazed sash, and open; and this was what they had heard spoken by two men in the little box of an office. The first spoke in continuation of remarks already made:

'Mr. Dwinal himself told me how it was. You know Nettleton has a sick sister entirely dependent upon him; and when he came out from beneath the wreck of Brown & Boswell's house, he had not a five dollar bill. He searched day after day for employment—'

'As I did,' broke in the silvery voice of Amos Robbins.

'Yes,' rejoined the other; 'but unlike you, he was determined to do any work he could find, so that it was honest; and when Dwinal offered him a butcher's frock, with ten dollars a week, he took it.'

'Egad! it must have come tough,' said Robbins.

'Evidently not so tough to him as idleness and debt,' suggested the first speaker.

'I can't say that I am fond of idleness,' pursued Robbins; 'but, good Lord! to come down to drive a butcher's cart. I wonder if Miss Atherling has set her eyes on him in that uniform. If she has, she must have been somewhat taken down.—Nettleton has been quite intimate with the golden lady, and I have thought he had really entertained hopes of making an impression. But—ye gods! what an impression the butcher-boy must make, eh? By the Mass. I consider myself in that quarter enhanced an hundred fold by Phil Nettleton's falling down from her social circle.'

The two ladies left the store. One of them was Ada Atherling.

A few days after this cards were issued for a select party at Miss Atherling's.—Philip Nettleton received one, on the margin of which was written:

Shrink not. He who has the moral courage to do a brother's duty at the risk of social position need not fear that he can thereby be lowered in the esteem of

ADA ATHERLING.

Philip Nettleton pressed that missive to his lips, and it was wet with tears. It was not much; but the simple words, from such a source, gave him more hope than he had dreamed of.

The evening came, and people wondered as much to see Philip Nettleton there as they had wondered when they had first saw him on the butcher's cart. Amos Robbins wondered if Miss Atherling would deign to notice him; and when, not long afterwards, he saw the lovely heiress take Philip's arm and walk out into the conservatory, he remarked to a friend:

'Zounds! She don't know that he drives a butcher's cart!'

'Miss Atherling,' said Philip, when they were alone, 'I had, in my mind, relinquished all hope of returning to this Elysium.'

'Had you thought, Mr. Nettleton, that Ada Atherling's esteem was of so treacherous a character?'

How earnest she looked as she said this; and what a light supernal was in her large violet eyes; and that trembling of the hand which rested upon his arm. Some spirits have a power of interpretation that can read thoughts not spoken—they catch them by electric transmission. Philip Nettleton at that moment, believed that Ada Atherling loved him. And still under the electric influence he took the hand that rested upon his arm, and gazed down in her face.

'Miss Atherling—Ada—I must speak one word, even though it be the sign that separates us forever. You speak of esteem.—How far—O, how far towards the sum of all earthly happiness would your esteem suffer me to inspire?'

'Mr. Nettleton—' There was a moment's hesitation, and then the noble girl proceeded, after the manner of speech of her companion.

'Mr. Nettleton—Philip—before Heaven I would not dare to limit the aspirations of a true and noble soul.'

We need not repeat the impassioned words of the lover, or the frank and heartfelt response of the maiden; only we will tell that Philip's shoulder, and that she resting upon it, in joy broken accents:

'Murmy father, if you can look down upon your child in this hour, I know you will bless the choice she has made!'

Touching Story.

It may not be generally known, yet it is probably true, that the famous novel of East Lynne, although written in England, had the ground-work of its story in a singular marriage, which took in this city, the notice attending circumstances at the time being copied by almost every paper in the country. The matter was about as follows:

A Mr. J. M., a clerk in a down town house, fall in love with a young lady, whose father was a well-to-do Second street merchant, and after a proper season of attention the couple were married.

Both soon found out that they were not happily mated, and after a marriage of seven years, during which time they had three children (two boys and a girl) they mutually agreed to the husband applying for a divorce, merely on the ground of incompatability of temper. The divorce was granted, and the wife went home to her father, who though indorsing lost his business and all his property. The daughter's and his own misfortunes weighed so heavily on the father's mind that during a moment of mental alienation he took his own life, leaving his daughter penniless, and to rough it with the cold charity of the world as best she could. The woman, a brave little creature, tried every way she knew how to gain an honest livelihood; in fact working so hard giving music lessons and doing embroidery for her old school-mates that her health gave way, and having no money to pay her board, must beg, starve or go to the poor-house.

To turn to the other side of the picture, the husband, after a month's release from the martial bands, again married, and at the time of which we speak had not only the children of the first wife, but also in addition thereto a little two-year old girl by his second wife. The latter lady being ill, the husband advertised for a nurse and housekeeper, which notice reached the eye of his first wife, and she, in her trouble, went to the former partner of her heart, told him of her sad condition and applied for the position in his household. The husband giving her ample funds for all immediate wants asked her to call again at his office on the following morning, promising to consult his wife about the matter in the meantime.

Promptly as per agreement wife No. 1 was on time, as was the husband, and from there they went to the residence where the two wives had their first conversation, ending in the agreement for the first wife to come and accept the vacant place, which she did, seemingly delighted at having a peaceful home over her head, notwithstanding the very strange circumstances under which such shelter was given. Necessity demanded that the entire past should be obliterated, and the new housekeeper treated as any other help; that she must care for the children—her own offspring—and the other child, as any hired nurse would do; that she must eat at the second table; to care for her charges. All these things and even more humility did the poor woman show, never by sign, word or look, exhibiting the least evidence of discontent. What, however, must have been the true feeling of her heart, when seeing another filling the place that she had once tried, as she thought, so hard to fill.

The above is from files of an old Cincinnati paper, but the sequel, as told us by one conversant with the facts, is stranger than what we have already narrated.—When the cholera was raging in our city in 1856, the second wife was taken very ill with it, and being informed by the physician that she could not live but a few hours at most, as she was then taken in a collapsed condition, she asked that all go out of the room excepting her husband and housekeeper, when she told how much she dreaded leaving her little child amongst strangers, and as a dying wife entreated them to marry again. The proposition was a strange one, but both promised, and in a few months afterward, when the second wife had been dead a sufficient length of time not to cause remarks, the two were again married, brought together after a cruel separation of so many years, and we believe, are now living happily together in a cosy West End house.—*Cincinnati Enquirer.*

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DENTON, MARYLAND.

HAS RENTED the new shop in the town of Denton, lately occupied by Richard Potter, where he has commenced business.—A share of the public patronage is respectfully solicited. [9-23-tf.

MANSION HOUSE HOTEL,

ISAAC ALBERTSON, Proprietor.

Cor. Fayette & St. Paul Sts.

BALTIMORE.

Terms - - - $1.50 per Day.

ACCOMMODATIONS FOR 200 GUESTS.

Persons taking the City Passenger Carr, will ride to the Corner of St. Paul Street, within a few steps of the Mansion House.

feb27, 1873.—y.

Lard C[illegible]s.

75 CEN[illegible]

FOR THE LARGE-SIZ[illegible] will sell you all kinds of

TIN AND SHEET-I[illegible]ARE,

at retail for wholesale pr[illegible] of all kinds repaired at short not[illegible]oves furnished here at foundry pri[illegible] also prepared to do all kinds of Tin [illegible] Guttering, &c. Spouting done in the best manner. All work guaranteed. Shop on corner 3d and Main St. N. A. HUTSON,

11-11-1y. Denton, Md.

New Fall and [illegible]nter

MILLINERY GO[illegible]S.

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MISS REGINA D. PRITCHETT, wishes to inform the ladies of Denton and vicinity, that she has just returned from Philadelphia with a well selected stock of

New Fall and Winter Millinery Goods

and notions; all of which she offers at very liberal prices. She is also prepared to do

DRESS MAKING

in a neat and fashionable Styles. A fit guaranteed. She may be found at the stand lately occupied by Mrs. Bucknam. [11-11-tf.

Cheap Boots & Shoes

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I HAVE just returned from the city with a large and well selected stock of

French Calf and Spanish Sole Leather

for the purpose of manufacturing gentlemens Boots and Shoes in the latest styles and fashions.

A Fit Always Guaranteed.

I have now on hand a large stock of Childrens' and Boys' Gaiters and Shoes, which I am selling off at less than cost.

HARNESS.

I am manufacturing Harness at the shortest notice and on the most reasonable terms—repairing done at the shortest notice.

Thanking the public for t[illegible] kind patronage extended to me, I hope by strict attention to business to merit a[illegible] receive a continuation of the same.

6-3-y. WM. T. SHE[illegible]OOKS.

CABINET M[illegible]NG

AND

UNDERTAKING

—:o:—

I GIVE NOTICE through this medium that I still continue to carry on at my old business stand

CABINET MAKING

IN ALL ITS BRANCHES.

Undertaking A Specialty.

No pains spared in trying to give satisfaction. Persons taking measures for coffins, should give the exact length of the corpse.

A good hearse, nearly new, a gentle horse and a trusty driver.

All material of the best class.

I will also brick up graves when[illegible]

Scythe and cradles at shortest[illegible]

All work put up with sharp[illegible]

Forty years experience in the[illegible]

I flatter myself that I[illegible] surpassed on this shore[illegible] my brother, Collison Pa[illegible] found at my house or shop[illegible]

Orders should be sent in early[illegible]

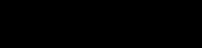
Cradles.

Our thanks for past patronage[illegible]

Respectfully the public's ob[illegible]

5-6-tf. EDWARD[illegible]

MD. & DEL. RAI[illegible]



Change of Hours.

On and after *Wednesday, Sept.* [illegible] Trains will run as follows

GOING NORTH.

Leave	Pass. No. 1.	Frt
Easton	4.10 A.M.	10
Woodland	4.20	10
Cordova	4.50	11
Hillsborough	4.45	11
Ridgeley	4.55	11
Greensboro'	5.10	12
Goldsboro'	5.25	12
Henderson	5.35	1.0
Marydell	5.45	1
Slaughter's	6 55	1
Kenton	6.10	
Clayton [ar]	6.20	
Wilmington	8.05	
Philadelphia	9.20	
Baltimore	1.15 P. M.	
New York	5.10	

GOING SOUTH.

Leave	Frt. No. 3.	Pass
New York	11.55 P. M.	
Baltimore	7.00 A. M.	
Philadelphia	8.00	
Wilmington	9.25	
Clayton	11.07	
Kenton	11.25	
Slaughter's	11.25	
Marydell	12.05 P. M.	
Henderson	12.20	
Goldsboro'	12.40	
Greensboro'	1.05	
Ridgeley	1.25	
Hillsboro'	1.45	10.2[illegible]
Cordova	2.05	10.30
Woodland	2.20	10.40
Easton [ar]	2.30	10.55

Freight trains [illegible] run with passenger cars attached [illegible] subject to delays. run as follows:

All freights must [illegible] in time to be loaded [illegible] thirty (30) minutes before [illegible] trains, otherwise they will [illegible] four hours.

Passengers using [illegible] Easton will arrive in [illegible] M., and return [illegible] 5.15 P. M., thus [illegible] for business [illegible]

6-19-tf.

A[illegible] at [illegible] all supplies [illegible]