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HOW KATE WON A MATE.

She came to our far-a-way, quiet, mountain-flanked village in early summer, and, stopping first at the hotel, she registered her name as Kate Burbank, of New York. She might have been 22—not older than that—and was very pretty.

But she did not remain long at the hotel. She brought letters of recommendation to the rector of our parish, and was soon admitted a member of his family. She was an orphan without brother or sister. She possessed property enough to support her in an humble way, until she could turn her hand to some profitable and pleasant employment.

Toward the end of July the rector's nephew, Arthur Grafton, came on a visit. He had graduated at college, had studied law and had been admitted to the bar, and now, before commencing practice, he had come to the mountain village for recreation. He was 24 years of age, tall, strong, and robust, the very picture of manly health.

Certainly Arthur Grafton had never before met a woman to him like this woman. How bright and joyous were the days, how sweet and enjoyable were the evenings! Arthur resolved that he would know his fate. He looked the matter squarely in the face, and made his calculations. In September he was to enter his office in New York, and influential friends had promised to assist him in business. He knew he should succeed. Within a year he would be able to support a wife. If Kate would have him, and wait a year, he would work with a will. He would speak before another night shut in upon him.

Before that night came Arthur and Kate in their rambling met Charles Dabney, of New York. Dabney had been Arthur's classmate in college. Kate's hand trembled on her companion's arm, and as he advanced to speak with his friend she turned away and waited for him until he came back.

"Dear old Charley!" he said. "We were chums in college. I must run over to the hotel and see him after tea."

After tea Arthur went over to the hotel as he had promised. A brief interchange of fraternal greetings, and then Dabney burst forth:

"Look here, old fellow, how in the name of wonder did you manage to get the heiress under your wing?"

"The heiress?" repeated Arthur wonderingly.

"Aye—Miss Cornelissen—the lady you were with this afternoon. She didn't recognize me, though I'm sure she knew me."

"Miss Cornelissen!" echoed our hero. "What do you mean, Charley? You have mistaken the person. The lady you saw in my company this afternoon was Miss Kate Burbank, of New York, an orphan whom friends recommended to my uncle, the rector."

Charles Dabney drew a long breath, and then whistled.

"Forgive me, Arty. Perhaps I've put my foot in it; but it can't be helped now. I will tell you the truth, and you can govern yourself accordingly. It may be well that you should be on your guard. Her mother's maiden name was Burbank. Miss Kate Burbank Cornelissen was the lady I saw upon your arm. Her father was Hendrick Cornelissen, the old East India trader and ship-owner, who died four years ago, leaving his only child heiress to three millions. A year ago she came into full possession, and she has fled to this secluded nook to escape the sycophants and noodles that beset her on every hand. I understand it now.

Arthur Grafton returned to the rectory in a daze. He knew that Dabney had told him the truth. On the following morning, as Katie looked out from her chamber window, she saw Arthur walking in the garden. His step was slow and dragging, his head was bent, and his hands were folded behind him. Certainly he looked far from happy. When she came down into the little sitting-room she [illegible] "I don't know what," said Mr. Edgarton, in answer to her earnest questioning. "Arthur is going back to New York at once—he says to-day."

"But I thought he was to stay until September."

"So he had planned, but something has changed him."

A great weight sank upon Kate's heart, and a choking was in her throat. She turned away and thought. Arthur had discovered her secret and was afraid of her. But, had she gained his heart? And, if so, should she lose him? Should she, without one struggle, surrender the only promise of joy, true and pure, that had entered her life since her father died?"

Arthur Grafton, standing beneath a drooping elm, himself also drooping, felt a light touch upon his arm. He turned and looked into the sweet, earnest face of the beautiful being who had been occupying all his thoughts.

"Arthur, your uncle tells me that you think of leaving us." She spoke with a calmness that cost her a mighty effort.

"Yes," he answered, in a voice that sounded hollow and distant.

She stood back and looked at him with prayerful earnestness.

"Arthur, will you answer a few questions truly and frankly?"

"Yes."

"If you had not met Charles Dabney yesterday the thought of leaving us to-day would not have entered your mind?"

He hesitated and considered. Surely it would be honorable to answer with the simple truth.

"I would not," he said.

"Charles Dabney told you who my father was?"

"Yes."

"And that my family name was Cornelissen?"

"Yes."

"And he told you that I was very, very wealthy in the possession of money?"

"Yes."

"Arthur, in the great city I was hunted for my wealth. I grew sick and tired of the dreadful infliction, and resolved to escape into a purer atmosphere, and, if possible, leave all trace of my poor wealth behind me. Good friends, fully appreciating my purpose, assisted me. Dropping my well-known family name, I came hither, recommended chiefly by one who had been your uncle's college mate in other years. And here I found peace and sweet content. By and by you came to share the life with me. Never mind how I discovered it, but the knowledge came to me that you were a true and noble man. And soon—soon—I believed you loved me. My heart bounded with gladness when I thought that a true, strong and generous man had fallen in love with poor, simple Kate Burbank. Can you doubt whither my own heart was tending?

"Arthur, I love you with my whole heart. If you loved me as I had hoped, you shall not go away from me. I will not lose my brightness of life for the lack of a few honest words."

In a moment more she was gathered in the strong, sheltering embrace of a man who could not speak for joy.

If, says Bill Nye, you have been reared in extreme poverty, and your mother supported you until you grew up and married, so that your wife could support you, you will probably sit in four seats at the same time with your feet extended into the aisles so that you can wipe them off on other people while you snore with your mouth open clear to your shoulder blades.

If you are prone to drop to sleep and breathe with a low, death rattle, like the exhaust of a bath tub, it would be a good plan to tie up your head in a feather bed and then insert the whole thing in the linen closet, or if you cannot secure that you might stick it out of the window and get it knocked off against a tunnel.

In the morning is a good time to find out how many people have succeeded in getting on the passenger train who ought to be in the stock car.

Generally you will find one male and one female. The male goes into the wash room, bathes his worthless carcass from daylight until breakfast time, walking on the feet of any man who tries to wash his face during that time. He wipes himself on nine different towels, because when he gets home he knows he will have to wipe his face on an old door mat. People who have been reared on hay all their lives generally want to fill themselves full of pie and colic when they travel.

If you never rode in a varnished car before, and never expect to again, you will probably roam up and down the car, meandering over the feet of the porter while he is making up the berths. This is a good way to let the people see just how little sense you had left after your brain began to soften.

THE PROBLEM OF LIFE.

A Young Man's Dilemma—The Source of True Happiness—Everyday Philosophy.

"You say you don't know just what profession to adopt," remarked the Judge to Jameson a few mornings ago.

"Yes, sir," remarked the youth. "I proposed three professions to you but you discouraged me each time. I thought of becoming a journalist and you advised me not to. Then I proposed politics and you painted such a dark picture of it that I gave that up at once. And at last when I wished for great wealth you told me that would lead to misery and sorrow. Now, I don't exactly know what to wish for.

"If you have reached that condition," observed the old gentleman, "I feel satisfied with the result of my philosophy. I did not point out the disagreeable things in each profession to discourage you. I only waited to show you the opposite side from that which your fancy painted in such glowing colors. A brilliant picture needs a strong background, and that is what I intended to give you. You very foolishly thought that journalism gave you at once reputation, power and position. You also believed in the inexperience of your youth, that it brought wealth. I showed you the journalist as he is, not as you fancied him. Then, when you suggested politics as a noble and elevating method of labor, I endeavored to illustrate some of the unpleasant, ignoble and debasing sides of that calling. When you longed for money I led you into the counting-room of a millionaire and pointed out some of the manifold duties and galling cares which great wealth imposes on those who are bound with its golden fetters. I desire to show you that true happiness comes from contentment rather than great success in the world's meaning of that term. All professions or callings in life offer happiness to him who does not expect too much. To the contented man perfect happiness is an assured result. Whatever you go into, remember that there is hard work, care and anxiety. Those must be expected. The journalist in his newspaper office, the politician in the White House, and the millionaire in his palace all have their cares, their troubles and their anxieties. All those joys which tempt you to imitate their careers exist only in your youthful imagination. They may enjoy themselves, but it is not the enjoyment you have as fondly pictured. Follow any profession in which you are most likely to succeed. Work hard and conscientiously. Take the bad together with the good and make the best of everything. Be satisfied with your lot and contented and I will feel that I have not advised you in vain. I recollect a dialogue which once occurred between a young man and a celebrated divine many years ago.

"'I want,' said the young man, 'I want a soft thing.'

"'You have it,' answered the clergyman.

"'Where?'

"'Under your hat.'

"'I don't mean that,' replied the youth, blushing: 'I mean I want an easy position, where I can have little to do and plenty of enjoyment. Can you tell me where I will get it?'

"'Yes,' answered the minister: 'nothing is easier. You are bound to get it.'

"'When?'

"'When you die!'"—*N. Y. Sunday Graphic.*

LOVERS IN THE WOODS.

Startling Story of Hermitage Life in the Blue Ridge Mountains.

A startling story of an unnatural family life of hermitage is reported from the wild mountainous section of Western Maryland. About twenty years ago, Thomas Murphy, aged twenty-five years, son of a former-known and highly-respected farmer of Carroll County, eloped with Ellen Garnett, the sixteen-year-old daughter of a local preacher of the same county. No tidings was ever had of the elopers until they were discovered by two gunners named Henningham and Phelps, residing in a hut in an isolated portion of the Blue Ridge Mountains, in Frederick County.

The young men were surprised by seeing a young and pretty girl, clad in rough garments, flee from their sight like a wild animal. They followed the girl and soon came upon a rude hut almost concealed from view by underbrush. A brawny man with long flowing whiskers stood at the door of the hut. Several days they were hunting game on the mountains and accidentally happened upon the scene was made known, and after much difficulty the story of the hermit and his family was obtained from the man, who was none other than Murphy.

After the elopement he says he endeavored to get work, but was unsuccessful, and then resolved to kill his wife and himself. With this object in view Murphy persuaded Ellen to accompany him to the mountains, where he intended to kill her and then blow out his own brains, but upon reaching the scene of the proposed tragedy his heart failed him and he could not summon courage to commit the deed. The next day a heavy rainstorm set in and a temporary shelter was arranged out of branches and leaves. After passing several days in this manner the girl was taken ill from exposure and came near dying. Murphy killed small game and the two subsisted upon berries and birds for months. The family now consists of two children, aged nineteen and ten years respectively. Four years ago a boy baby was born. A few months later it died and was buried by Murphy and the mother. About two years later Ellen was injured by a falling tree and died, after suffering intensely two weeks without medical attendance of any kind. Murphy says he dug a grave and buried her beside their child.

Henningham and Phelps saw the graves of both. They say that the young daughter of Murphy is piteously ignorant. She does not know of such a thing as an alphabet and has never been named. Since her birth she has only been called daughter. The boy, now ten years old, is equally illiterate. He is called son. The hut in which they have lived so long is made of branches of trees covered with mud.

Murphy says he has no desire to live among civilized people, and that he is contented with his lot. It is probable some action will be taken by the Frederick County authorities to care for the young girl and her brother.

David Davis' Advice to a Young Lawyer.

A young lawyer friend of mine from Chicago, about to be admitted to the Supreme Court, asked ex-Justice Davis for his advice in regard to his conduct on the occasion of his first case. The Judge replied: "You need not be afraid to speak before the Supreme Court, and if one of those duffers in a toga interrupts you in the midst of an argument by some irrelevant question, don't get frightened and spoil your argument by stopping to answer him. Just say quietly, 'Excuse me, your Honor, but I will reach that by and by,' and if you don't reach it, it won't matter. You need not be afraid that you will be called up to answer it after you have taken your seat." The young man took his advice and gained his case.—*Cleveland Leader.*

Two Yankees in Andalusia.

One Andalusian said to another: "I say, mate, I must have dropped off to sleep all of a sudden last night, for when I awoke this morning I found my hand on my forehead just as I left it when signing the cross on lying down." "Why, man, that's nothing. I'll tell you what once happened to me. One morning as I awoke I found myself resting with my hands on the bed and my body stretching out in the air. "What?" "I must have gone to sleep in the act of jumping into bed."—*Dublin Times.*

The Young Idea.

The editor of a leading humorous paper, when a little boy, was very fond of gardening in a small way. One day when he was watering a plot where he had planted some early seeds, his father went out to see what he was doing, and said to him: "Johnny, why don't you water your garden with soap-suds?"

"It doesn't rain soap-suds from the sky, does it?"

"No; but then it doesn't rain flowers or cabbage, or hats or coats."

"I know it; if it did, I would have a new pair of spring trousers."

A Houston editor, whose name it is not necessary to mention, as everybody knows who is meant, was recovering from a spell of sickness. As soon as he was able to sit up, the doctor who had studied the patient's constitution, said:

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"Every fifteen minutes or every half hour, doctor?" asked the journalist, who began to feel like himself again.—*Texas Siftings.*

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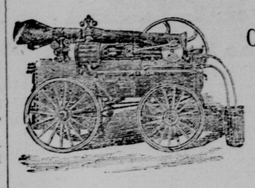

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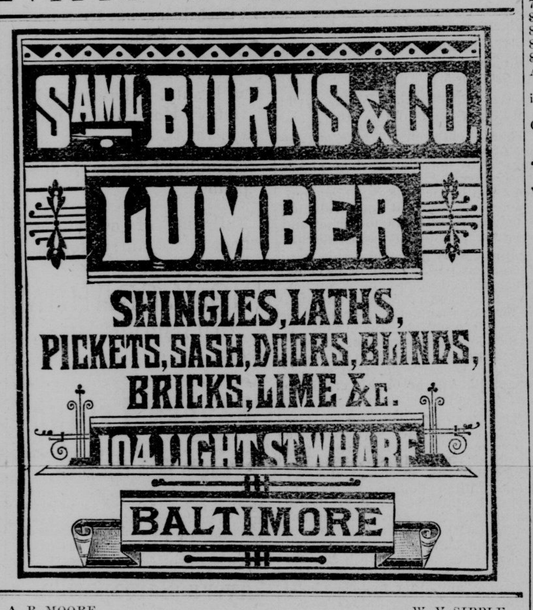

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