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CHESTERTOWN, March 19, 1892.

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HAY RAKES

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Yours, respectfully,
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March 19-3m.

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No wish of evil on my lips,
No stagnant pool of foul revenge
In which my pen to dip;
We have been friends together once,
But now those days are past;
Those happy days, and sunny hours
They were too sweet to last,
And now there's coldness in thy glance,
A cloud is on they brow;
Yet as my heart was won't to beat,
So beats it even now.
I loved the with a tender love;
I fondly clung to thee;
As the vine clings with its tendrils
Round the tall, proud forest tree,
So clung this poor, forsaken heart
This lonely heart of mine,
As if its own existence here,
Was linked false friend with thine.
But wherefore need I tell the tale
The tale thou knowest so well?
At most 'twill only make my breast
Still more tumultuous swell;
It cannot melt thy flinty heart
To feel one sad regret,
And thy proud eye with keen remorse
Was never moistened yet,
But be they path where'er it may,
O'er land or treacherous sea,
May heaven, forgetful of thy wrongs,
Watch ceaseless over thee.

February 29, 1892.

HIS MOTHER-IN-LAW.

"Got here, have you?" said my mother-in-law, in a deep voice, as she stood on the threshold, grimly surveying me with eyes that shone like hard, greenish-blue gooseberries behind her spectacles. For such modern trifles as eyeglasses were as unsuited to my mother-in-law's fine Roman nose as a point lace collar would be to the Venus di Milo. I could feel her glances penetrate to the very marrow of my bones; and yet I contrived to keep a bold front, as I stood facing her.

It was rather a curious complication. My mother-in-law had not the least idea who I was. I had cheerfully intended to take her by surprise; but now that the eventful moment had arrived, my courage, like that of Bob Acres, as Jefferson shows him, was oozing out at the ends of my fingers.

My name is Richard Dalton. I was then just 21, with a face that was not absolutely ugly, a sublime audacity and pockets not particularly well lined, and I had just distinguished myself by running away with a pretty girl from boarding school.

"But, Dick," she had remonstrated, "we've nothing to live on."

"Don't be a goose, darling," had been my reply. "What do people need to live on? All the wants of this world, more or less, are factitious. A crust of bread, a glass of water three times a day, and now and then a suit of clothes—we must be poor, indeed, if we can't manage to compass that."

Nettie had looked admiringly upon me, and acquiesced in my argument. We had taken board at the Angel Hill Hotel, and began our honeymoon royally. At the end of a month, mine host had become a little importunate on the subject of his bill, and Nettie's mother had written a letter to her, signifying that she wanted nothing whatever to do with us. We had made our own bed, she signified, and now we might lie on it.

"Oh, Dick," cried Nettie, clasping her hands, "What are we to do?"

"Hanged if I know?" was my rather blank response. "But don't cry, darling, I'll go and see her myself."

"You, Dick!"

"I, myself."

"She'll have nothing to say to you."

"She can't help herself."

"She'll turn you out of doors."

"We'll see about that."

"But, Dick, you don't know—you can't have any idea—how terrible she is," sighed Nettie.

"Saint George conquerred the dragon, my love," I asserted, cheerfully, "and I mean to conquer your mother! So pack my valise, there's a darling, and I'll be off before the landlord comes back from Boston!"

"But Dick, if he's troublesome, what can I say to him?" appealed poor little frightened Nettie.

"Tell him: I've gone out of town, and shall be back in a few days," said I confidentially.

But, valiantly as I spoke, my mental sensations by no means corresponded with this bold part. I was beginning dimly to realize what a very unwise step I had taken, and also persuaded poor Nettie to take. And I was secretly making up mind that if Nettie's mother refused to receive us, I would ship myself off as second mate or third purser, or something of that sort, send my advance wages to my poor little wife, and commence the world over again in this irregular fashion.

But when I walked resolutely up to my mother-in-law's door, she greeted me as if I had been expected for the last week or so.

"You've come, have you?" was the salutation.

"Well, yes," I admitted. "I've come."

"What on earth detained you?" said she.

"In my mind I cast about what to say, and settled down on the first convenient excuse that came into my head."

"The train was delayed at Bogletown," said I.

"Well, come in, now that you're here," said she, "and get warm. It's awful cold weather for this time o' year, isn't it?"

"Kinder," said I, with an assenting nod.

"Let me see," said my mother-in-law, as she took a steaming platter of ham and eggs out of the oven and lifted a shining coffee pot from the stove. How old are you?"

"One and twenty," said I.

"Do you think," said she pensively feeling of her chin, "that you are able to take care of the place? There's a deal to do, you know, on a farm like this. Do you think you're up to the work?"

"Of course I think so," said I, wondering what on earth my mother-in-law meant.

"You are married, I suppose?" said she.

"Oh, yes," said I, swallowing the hot coffee and winking my eyes very hard, "I'm married."

"Can your wife make herself generally useful about the place?" sharply demanded the old lady.

"Certainly she can," said I, beginning vaguely to see my way through the mists of perplexity that had heretofore obscured my brain.

"How old is she?" asked Mrs. Martin.

"Eighteen," I answered.

Mrs. Martin frowned.

"What does possess girls to get married nowadays," said she, "before they've left off dolls and patchwork?"

I looked thoughtfully down at the pattern of my plate—a pink Chinaman crossing a carmine bridge, with two very red willows drooping at the far end of it, and some impossible streaks of water below—and made no direct answer. My mother-in-law was doubtlessly laboring under a misapprehension, but I did not exactly see that it was business to set her right. She had evidently engaged a hired man, and took it for granted that I was the personage in question.

"What can you do?" she asked abruptly. And with equal curtness I responded.

"Anything."

"Come, I like that," said my mother-in-law, rubbing her hands. "At least you are not afraid of work. Do you understand cows and horses?"

"Well—not much," I owned. "There were no cattle at my place." (Which was very true, for I had been a clerk in a bank at three hundred dollars a year.) "But I have not the least doubt that I could soon learn, if you would kindly show me what is expected of me."

"Can you cut wood?" she asked.

"Certainly reflecting to myself that any fool might do that.

She asked one or two questions more, which I answered with the blind fatuity which attends youth and confidence. She seemed well pleased with my willingness to undertake anything and everything.

"And now about wages," said she, briskly. "What will you ask—for your own services and those of your wife—by the month?"

I fitted the tips of my fingers reflectively together.

"As we are both rather inexperienced," said I, we'll agree to work the first month for our board. After that you shall pay us what you think we are both worth.

"Hum—hum!" said my mother-in-law. "That's a sensible proposition—a very sensible one, indeed. Well send for the young woman at once. In the meantime I'll show you over the place, and explain to you the nature of your duties."

So I hired myself out to my mother-in-law as a farm hand without further ceremony, and immediately wrote and posted a letter to Nettie. On my return from the postoffice I met a burly young man meditating at a spot where four roads meet.

"Can you tell me, sir," said he, where Mrs. Abel Martin lives?

"Oh, yes, sir; I can tell you," I responded, affably. But if you're looking for the situation of hired man I may as well tell you that it's filled.

The burly young man made some remarks, indicative in a general way of his opinion of the fickleness of womankind and departed, whilst I returned rejoicing, to the old farm house.

"Here's a very nice beginning," said I to myself. It is now my business to give as much satisfaction as possible.

Fortune favored me, in more ways than one. My mother-in-law sprained her ankle on the second day, and I played cook as well as man of all work with distinguished success and I had the satisfaction of hearing her say to old Miss Priscilla that she didn't know when she'd taken such a notion to any one as she had to the new hired man!

"He's too young and good looking to suit me," observed Miss Priscilla, pursing up her steel-trap of a mouth.

"He is good looking, ain't he?" said my mother-in-law. "But he's dreadful handy about the house, and he ain't one bit afraid of work. And you'd ought to have seen the oysters he stewed for my supper last night, and the cup of tea he made. Why, I don't miss Jemima Stiles one bit. If only Nettie could have stayed single till she met such a man as this!"

I smiled to myself as I laid out the kindling for the breakfast fire. My accomplishments as "Jack of all trades" had never done me much good before. But now they were certainly winning me some credit in the world.

At the end of the third day she had told me the whole story of her daughter's runaway match with "a good-for-nothing young chickchap." On the fourth day she had consulted with me as to whether it was better to put the 40 acre lot into oats or rye, and I had won her heart by taking to pieces the old hall clock which had not gone for ten years, and restoring it to running order once again.

And on the evening of the same day Nettie arrived, all blushing and trembling.

"Oh, Dick," said she, "is she very angry?"

"My dear," said I, "she hasn't an idea who I am."

"But Dick—"

"No 'buts,' my darling," said I, cheerfully "Let us be Sulius Cæsar over again. We come; we see, we conquer."

And I dragged my unwilling little wife into the back room, where my mother-in-law lay on a sofa, nursing her ankle.

"Here's my wife, ma'am," said I, "and I hope she'll give satisfaction."

Mrs. Martin jumped up, 'spite of the wounded ankle.

"Nettie!" she cried, in blank amazement.

"Oh, mother, mother!" faltered Nettie, throwing both hands around the old lady's neck, "please forgive me this time, and I'll never elope again."

"Please, ma'am, we'll be good, added I."

And my mother-in-law relented on the spot. How could she do otherwise?"

"Henrie," said she, "you've been a naughty girl—there's no denying that. But your husband seems a handy man about the house, and I'm tired of living here alone. So take off your things and go to work getting supper. As for you, Richard—"

"Yes, ma'am, I know," said I. "I've been playing a double part and deceived you all alone. But I wanted you to like me—and you know," I added, "all is fair in love and war!"

"Well, I do like you—a little," admitted my mother-in-law. "And now that I have seen you, Dick, I don't so much wonder at the way Nettie behaved."

After that, she never scolded us any more. And I honestly believed that this is the only case on record in which a mother-in-law was conquered in so brief a campaign. Nettie says she doesn't know how I did it. In fact, I don't quite know, myself.

THERE are people forever in search of happiness who never find it. Hapiness oftenest comes by indirection. You are intent on duty and are surprised to find you have stumbled on more than you sought.

THE BILL AS PASSED.

What Property Is Exempt and What Subject to Taxation.

The following is a summary of the assessment bill as it was passed: All interest, shares, or proportions of vessels owned by residents of this State, in all vessels, whether in or out of the State, shall be assessed to the owners in the county or city where they reside. The real estate of all corporations shall be subject to taxation. All money, the proceeds of the sale of stock, bonds of other property disposed of for the purpose of evading taxation; all shares of stock, other than steam railroads: all bonds issued by any State or district of Columbia, or by any corporation, all investments in private securities of every kind; real property; the personal property of corporations not having shares of capital stock, wholly or in part exempted from taxation; all certificates of indebtedness or evidences of debt of any State, Territory, county or public corporation shall be assessed and taxed. The real and personal property of every steam railroad shall be taxed for county municipal purposes, as the property of individuals is taxed, provided that bridges of railroads and turnpikes shall be assessed at the same rate that an equal portion of any other part of the road is taxed. Section 152 of article 81 of the code, relating to tunnels, is expressly repealed, and tunnels are made taxable at their real value. National bank stock and stock of other corporations is to be valued by the assessors at the valuation put upon them by the tax commissioners in 1892 and a copy of the assessment of stock is to be sent to assessors by the tax commissoners. Mortgage bonds of corporations are taxed, the corporations issuing them to pay the tax according to section 87, article 81, of the code.

PROPERTY EXEMPTED.

Property exempted from taxation is as follows: United States bonds, property belonging to the United States, the State, or any county, or incorporated city or town; buildings used exclusively for public worship, parsonages, graveyards cemeteries, which are not used for profit; church or family burying grounds; crops or produce, in hands of producer, or his agents; provisions and fuel kept on hand by families; tools, of mechanics; wearing apparel, except watches, diamonds or other costly jewelery, not habitually worn on the person; fish, in the hands of the fisherman or his agents; building, equipment and furniture, of hospitals, asylums, charitable or benevolent institutions, and ground appurtenant; incorporated schools; property of corporations having shares which are alone, subject to taxation; shares of corporations exempted by irreparable contract; shares of stock of companies subject to gross receipts tax; book accounts; bills receivable or other evidence of debt owned by merchants whose average stock in trade is taxed; such portion of shares of homestead or building associations as may be represented by mortgage on property within the State when the mortgaged property is subject to taxation; mortgages debts secured thereby except mortgage bonds of a corporation. The officers of corporations shall furnish county commissioners or the Appeal Tax Court a statement of real property owned for valuation, and certificates of such valuation are furnished and used as at present in a reduction of this amount from the assessed value of the shares of the corporation.

GROSS RECEIPTS TAX.

Telegraph, cable, telephone, electric light, electric construction, gas, parlor car, oil pipe lines, express or transportation companies by land or water, title insurance, safe deposit trust, guarantee and fidelity companies are subject to a State tax upon gross receipts, as railroads are, the shares of stock to be subject to county and municipal taxation.

The gross receipts tax, which is designated a franchise tax, is as follows: Eight-tenths of 1 per cent. on the first $1,000 per mile of gross earnings or on total eanings if less than $1,000 per mile; 1½ per cent. on the excess of $1,000 per mile up to $2,000 per mile. The franchise tax on the gross receipts of telegraph or cable, express or transportation, telephone, parlor car, sleeping car, safe deposit, trust, guarantee and fidelity companies is 2 per cent. On oil pipe lines and title insurance companies 1 per cent. One-half of 1 per cent. on electric light, electric construction and gas companies. Where a railroad, pipe line, telegraph, telephone, sleeping car or transportation line is partly out of the State the tax is to be upon such a proportion of the entire earning as the mileage in the State.

ASSESSMENT MACHINERY.

The State is divided into assessment districts and the machinery is similar to that employed in 1866. The assessors are to be taxpayers and residents for at least one year in the assessment district from which they are appointed. The per diem of assessors in the counties is $3.50 and in the city $5. Each board of control and review can appoint a clerk at $3.50 a day, and in Baltimore two clerks. The tax commissioner is to prepare printed instructions and forms for the assessors, and also a complete form of schedule of all kinds of personal property subject to taxation, to which he may add such interrogatories as he may deem propor for the purpose of securing a full disclosure of all such property, which forms are to be delivered to the proper officials for distribution to all the citizens of the State. The assessors are to assemble at the court houses of the counties and City Hall in Baltimore on the first Tuesday in May, 1892, except in Baltimore county, where the beginning of work shall take place on the third Tuesday in June. Boards of control and review are to begin on the second Tuesday in September.

The proper officer of corporations shall on or before July 1, 1892, return to the county commissioners of Appeal Tax Court, under oath and penalties, a list of his stockholders with their holdings. The assessors are to deliver or send by mail to each person in their districts who shall own property at least two days before the assessors shall call a blank scedule. These schedules must be filled out and signed when the assessor comes. Failure to receive a blank is no excuse for not returning one. To knowingly make a false return is declared a misdemeanor, punishable by a fine amounting to double the taxes ought to be evaded.

In 1896 the listing by county commissioners and the Appeal Tax Court will begin. Blanks are to be returned on or before January 16, 1896, and the same date each fourth year thereafter. Failure to return blanks is punished by fine of from $50 to $500. Stringent provision is made for maintaing the secrecy of the lists. Property is to be assessed at its cash value, and the rolling stock of all railroads worked by steam, except those exempted by contract, are considered personal property taxable for county and municipal purposes. Mortgage bonds of corporations are to be assessed according to the rate of interest paid, those bearing 6 per cent. at par, those 3 per cent., 50, and so on. Those paying no interest are not to be taxed at all. A large portion of the bill, which covers thirty-eight pages, is devoted to details as to the methods of the assessors, and rules regulating appeals and the collection of property.

Chrysanthemums.

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Chrysanthemums are growing in popularity, and have not yet reached their zenith. Every year new importations are made or horticulturists are adding new triumphs of skill. The new class—the Feathery Chrysanthemums—of which Mrs. Alpheus Hardy, was the first, but was followed by the Louis Boehmer (which, by the way, is a great improvement on Mrs. A. Hardy) are deservedly great favorites. The flowers are splendidly incurved, broad, petaled, and the surface downy, frosted and glittering. This class of chrysanthemums have created a sensation wherever they have been been shown, and I have no doubt others will be originated. I have been told that $1,500 was paid for the parent plant of Mrs. Alpheus Hardy. Both Mrs. Alpheus Hardy and Louis Boehmer were introduced by a firm in New Jersey. One of the most unique chrysanthemums in form and color is the Golden Plume, the petals of which droop, and are wavy and long. In color it is a bright gold. Truly, these Japanese strangers have touched a tender cord in our American hearts. In the words of the *Indianapolis Journal* on the subject of chrysanthemums:

"I struck this country
A stranger,
Without a cent
And no capital
Except my blooming shape.
But I stood straight up
And held my head high,
And do yet.
And today myself
And my decendants
Are in the floral 400;
And the more
Frills
We develop
The more we're admired."

The Language of Flowers.

"In Eastern lands they talk in flowers,
And they tell, in a garland, their loves and cares;
Each blossom that blooms in their garden bowers,
On its leaves a mystic language bears."

Acacia signifies friendship; Amarynth, immortality; Belvidere, I declare war against you; Balm, sympathy; Blue Bottle, constancy; Cowslip, I esteem, but cannot love you; Crocus, presumption; China Aster 'tis your gold attracts, not yourself; Chickweed, an appointed meeting; Cypress, despair; Citronia, pleasantry; Calacanthus, moral beauty superior to personal charms; Coral Honeysuckle, gratitude and affection; Daisy, unchanging sweetness and fidelity; Flowering Almond, perfidity; Garden gilly flower; durable beauty; Hawthorn, hope; Hyancinthe, you trifle with me; Horrensia, you are cold; Indian Pink, aversion; Iris, I have a message for you; Lilac, the first emotions of love; Lavender, distrust; Locust Blossom, affection beyond the grave, Lily of the Valley, modesty, beauty and retired worth; Little China Aster, innocence; Mountain Pink, independence and aspiring; Musk Rose, capricious beauty; Marigould, jealousy; Myrtle, love; Narcissus; egotism of self-love; Olive, peace; Polyanthus, confidence; Pea Blossom, fickleness Red Rose, beauty; Red Pink, pure and ardent love; Rose Acacia, elegance; Rose Geranium, preference; Red Poppy, consolation; Sweet Briar, simplicity; Spanish Jassamine, interested regard; Snow Drop, officious influence; Tulip, beauty not intellectual; Thyme, activity; Violet, modesty; Variagated Pink, refusal; Veronica, fidelity; White Rose, silence; White Jassamine, amiability; White Lilac, youth; Woodbine, misfortune; Yellow Rose, infidelity or disdain.

Her Most Interesting Age.

This question was recently discussed by an artist, an author and a woman of society. The artist said he did not like to paint the portraits of those between the age of 25 and 40 years. Before 25 the face has an expectancy which charms. It is looking forward with joyous freshness and hope, and it is full of puzzling promises. At 40 years the characfer is formed, and the lines of the countenance are stronger, is the painter's study, but in interventing years the face has lost its expectancy, is apt to be indifferent and has no particular interest.

The author differed; he liked to study women between the ages of 30 and 40. They had then the experience of the world and the joyousness of youth. In those years they were brightest and most interesting. The society woman thought it was impossible to give general answers to the question, as indivdual woman differ in regard to the most attractive age. Some are most charming at 60 years, while others have passed their prime at 20. At 30 or upward the best nature of a woman will show to every advantage; but probably the balance of opinion turns in favor of from 18 to 25.

Taking eveything into consideration, the best answer would be that women are always interesting to the friends who loves them.—*Young Ladies' Bazar.*

How to Sharpen a Carving Knife.

A carving knife needs to have a different kind of an edge from a razor. The steel which ordinarily accompanies a carving knife and fork is very well to give a finishing touch to the edge, but an ordinary whetstone, such as a reaper uses for his scythe or sickle, is the most useful implement a carver can keep at hand. One or two rubs on each side of a knife whets it up mightly, and then two or three finishing touches from the steel and the knife is in order to do most excellent execution.

DR. CUYLER tells the story of a little boy, the son of good Presbyterian parents, who was asked the question in the catechism, "What is man's chief end?" and he answered it, "Man's chief end is to glorify God and annoy him forever." There are too many men, says Dr. Cuyler, who act as if that were their chief end.

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