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CHAPTER III. (Continued from sixth page)

was norrible; she could not stand it; it was just the same as if she had some disease, and they were all afraid of catching it of her. There is one girl," sobbed Claire,

with her arms round her father's neck. and her head on his dear, kindly breast, that I know I shall slap or throw something at if I stay. She has red hair and very white skin, with little freekles over it, and soe is quite fat. She wears a different dress every day. and it's always something handsome, but queer to look at heard her tell mother girl that all her clothes came from Paris. She brings two bananas or lunch, and long cakes spread over with chocolate, that spirt out something soft and yellow, like custard, when she bites into them, and soil her fingers. ... Well, father, that girl sits near me, and she is always making fun of me behind my back, and whispering things about me to the others that make them burst out laughing, and watch me from the corners of their eyes Of course

this is only at recess, but at all times, lather, I can feel how they are thinking that I have no right, no business among And perhaps I haven't. Oh, other, I want to be a lady as much as you want me to be one, but isn't here some other way of learning how? If you'll only take me from that dreadof place l'il......l'Il go anywhere else you please!

Indignant, yet pierced with sympathy or his durline. Twining promised her that the should go back no more to Mrs.

Chine kissed him, and then put her wet check against his. But an instant befor she had litted her head. She had combit of her mother, who was payare of their fellow boarders a visit tecemme, and at this very moment satating to her hostess, with a sort Parmer braggadocio, that Claire's v shoot cought to be a regular firstassome, and no mistake, for it was me to co a a regular first-class kind of

ber ?" said Claire in anxious mery, " what will she say, father?" Never mind what your mother will ay, my dear, answered Twining in his utle undertene. And Claire remempered a certain night in One-Hundredand Twelfth Street a night which, she had never really forgotten, as we know, and whose incident was fated sharply to revisit her through many an eventful year vet unlived.

But Claire's tears were scarcely dried before she regretted the promise won-from her father, and asked him to rewoke it. Her young face looked pale and resolute as she did so. Her brief burst of weakness had passed. The ambition to seize and hold any near means of advancement was already no weak impulse in her youthful being. As it afterward struck the great key note of her life, and became the source of every discord or harmony which that life was to contain, so now its force had negure to stir secret centres, and to pre-lude the steady influence which must soon impel and sway her.

"Let me try a little while longer, lather," she said, standing near him, and holding his hand. Her head was

was grave and firm. She was so studer and fragile that this solemn mood might have made one think, as he regarded her,

have made one think, as he regarded her, of a lily that had found some art to cast seide its droop, while all its lightsome traits of stem or petal still remained.

"Yes, I mean it, father," she continued, with a very deep seriousness.

"I have begun to climb the hill, and I shan't get tired so soon and set down to rest. You told me-I must not, and I won't. I do not want to sit down at all until I reach the top......But you can help me if you will; you can make it easier for me." She pressed his hand. "Will you make it easier, father?" she

"Yes!" he answered. He spoke the word without knowing what she meant. He could have spoken no other at this moment, with her eyes fixed on him like that, and her clinging hand tense about

He loved her so well that he would have faced any peril to save her from any harm. She was his cheer, his pride, his hope, his happiness. He thought her the most beautiful little girl in all the world. He had forgotten to tell himself that her mother made her look like a guy in seeking to make her look more pretty. To him she was always his in-nocent, blameless idol—his Claire, whom be had named after his own dead mother, known only in the idealizing years of early childhood. He never looked into her face without feeling his heart beat a trifle quicker. He had been in love with her from the time when he first held her, a new-born baby, and he was in love with her still. It was a love which had the best glow and thrill of those dramatic passions that make our tales, our tragedies and our epics, only that by the absence of the one fevered sentiment knit and kinned with these, it so gained in purity and unselfishness as to strip from all hint of over-praise the holier epithet divine. Naturally enough came Twining's afterthought.

"What is it that I can do for you Claire?" he asked. " How can I make

it easier?" "In this way, father. Listen. I want to dress differently at school. I want to wear another frock-I know which one-I'm afraid you wouldn't recollect which one it is if I told you. But it is not the pink merino which I have on now. Pink merino is not nice. And my new hat with the white roses is not nice either. I did'nt think of this till I noticed how the other girls dressed at Mrs. Arcularius's. Then I remembered that mine was something like the style in which very Halloran used to dress her little girl, Bridget, every Sunday. You do recollect Mrs. Halloran, don't you father? Her husband used to work on one of the Harlem boats, and they lived down near the river in that small red house, and there was a bee-hive in the garden, and a horrid bull-dog that used to jump out of his kennel if he heard the least noise, and bark so, and try to break his chain. But little Bridget used | much above the common. Two of the her dress, and very proud they made Now, father, I want you to brush all the grand Mrs. Arcularius did not come; pale, unflinching, wholly in the right curl out of my hair except what it has she was elsewhere, in her elegant little and wholly aware of it, her drawbacks and to let me wear my brown bonnet, which is rather shabby, perhaps, though I don't mind that. And if mother cares to buy me anything new, I want you to go with us—say some Saturday evening when the stores keep open—and to let me use my own taste in choosing quiet and pretty things. But that will be Twining the honor of seeing her auto-afterward. I'd like you to think, just graph on his daughter's future receipted now, only about to-morrow, you know.

his eyes were moist. "You shan't dress like little Bridget Halloran any longer, Claire, darling," he said. "I'll see to it as soon as your

mother returns." He kept his word. When Mrs. Twining reappeared he sent Claire out of the room. She knew a storm was comas possible, into her own bedroom, two chambers off, closing the intermediate doors. Once, while waiting here, she heard the smothered sound of a high, wrathful voice. It was her mother's, no doubt. But she knew that however hot the conflict, her father had made up his mind to be victor. And he was. The next day Claire

went to Mrs. Arcularius's without her white roses or her pink merino. "You look for all the world like acharity girl," her mother said to her, in gruff leave-taking. "Still, I don't for such associative ridicule. s'pose it matters any. You might as well practice for a short spell before-

Claire's altered raiment produced an mates. Even several of the teachers showed signs of surprise. The new plainness of her attire brought out her inquestioned beanty, as gandier and illblended yestments had before marred and obscured it. The back-drawn effect of her chestant tresses, which were still streaked here and there with sunny threads, could not be doubted as charming even by the most prejudiced cavalier. Her brow and temples were shown in their full purity of monlding, and the eyes beneath them gained poctic tenderness from this lovely exposure. She was not yet a girl clothed at all after the dainty manner of the girls about her, but she was at least no longer spoiled and hampered by unbecoming and vulgar garments. Everybody felt this promptly, and Claire herself soon recognized, by an intuition which always stood vassal to her singularly quick preceptions, that everybody had felt it.

This was to be a memorable day with her. It may seem trivial to employ so angust a term when dealing with one yet on the threshold of our truly vital episodes, but, after all, there is a reality about the chagrins and victories of childhood which is none the less potent while both exist because both must shortly drop into shadow before harsher pangs and warmer transports.

Claire had resolved to be a kind of ministare heroine if occasion should ask her to play that part; and she had a conviction, based of very fair grounds of reasoning, that some such demand might be made of her before the school-exercless for that day should reach their

Nor was she wrong. The recitations began, and were continued under various teachers until the twelve o'clock recens. Claire had suffered hitherto from the embarracements of her surroundings, as regarded any trank assertion of what

But to day she had conquered embar-rassment; she was on her mettle, as the

rassment; she was on her mettle, as the phrase goes; it was the main aim of her meditated plan to let berself be browbeaten is no particular, and the excitement born of this receive had put her best faculties into nimble readiness.

If a understanding was of the quality beloved by instructors; it had a prehensile trait; it seized things and dung to them. The alarm of Mrs. Carmichael lest her pupil should unmask her elegant deficiencies had been no unfounded one. This lady's tuition of Claire had been but a series of suggestions, each of which the girl had rapidly tracked to its lair of remoter truth. Mrs. Carmichael had pointed her the path—quite often, it must be owned, with a somewhat faltering finger—and she had glided whither it led at a pace no less swift than secure. This was no less swift than secure. This was especially true of the French language, for which her aptitude was phenomenal, and which, under new conditions of instruction, she soon almost mastered.

As a matter of mere fact, she had been placed, at present, among her in-feriors in knowledge. She was much more advanced than the class of superb young misses who had wounded with their callow disdain. And to-day she made this tellingly evident. Her answers came placid, self-assured, unhesitating. She sat, all through the morning, with hands folded together in her lap, and with looks that paid no seeming heed to any of her associates. Some of them were extremely stupid. They gave stammering responses, or rattled off the wrong thing with fatal glibness, or preserved that stolid silence which is the mest naked candor of ignorance

The freckled girl, who ate bananas cut an especially dull figure. Through some novel freak of parental indulgence she had been permitted to wear, this morning, a ring of clustered sapphires and diamonds, very beautiful and precions; and this she turned and returned, while puckering her forehead, whenever a question was put to her, as though the fair bauble might prove talismanic and show her some royal road out of learning's tangled mazes. No one appeared to think her replies particularly blundering or fatuous. Her ring, and her last new Parisian gown, and the luxurious prospect of her approaching lunch, seemed to invest even her weak wit with prestige. Claire felt it to be somehow in the air that this 'maiden's mental poverty should receive nothing except respectful sympathy from her fellows. Fortune does not shower every known gift on one favorite; that seemed to be tacitly understood. When she floundered in a French verb, or came to dire grief in compound fractions, the imbecility provoked no laughter; it bore a sort of gilded pardonableness, like the pecca-

dillo of a princess. When recess came, Claire had distingnished herself. Everybody was convinced that her powers of mind were to have pink kid shoes, though, to match | teachers, both ladies of gentle bearing and kindly disposition, came to her her. And her hair was curled in that side, and cheered her with a few words stiff way, just as mother curls mine. of complimentary encouragement. The of its own free choice, and to let me tie reception room; she had not yet heard it in a bunch behind with a dark ribbon, of her new pupil's handsome exploits. But if she had already heard of them she would have paid Claire no con-gratulations. Good scholarship, she would have argued, with splendid egotism, was in this case a form of gratitude to which she was of course amply entitled, since she had allowed

I'd like '-- But there Twining stopped During the first portion of the recess her with a kiss. He was smiling, but hour Claire ate her modest lunch, choking it down with strong reluctance. But one teacher now remained in the large classroom, and she was closely occupied in the examination of some written exercises. The girls were gathered here and there, among the files of desks, in whispering groups. They were all discussing Claire; she herself knew it; ing; she was glad to be away while it an instinct told her so. She was very broke and raged. She went as far away much excited, but outwardly quite calm. The girls no longer stared at her: not a single giggle now broke the air: they had been supressed, startled, and perhaps a little awed as well; their pariah had turned out a sort of notability; she had clad herself in a sudden armor of cool defiance against impudence. They might have regarded her lately revealed endowments as a queerness collateral with the eccentric quality of her clothing. But the pink robe, the brittle looking curls, the beflowered hat, had vanished and left them no chance

There had been a transformation, abrupt and baffling. Claire was not going to be their butt; of this there was no doubt. She must either be accepted as immense sensation among her class- an equal, or avoided as an inferior; she would no longer hold the position of a target for their covert raillery.

The treckled girl, of the sumptuous mid-day meal, however, preserved opposite opinions. Her name was Ada Gerrard, and her family was one of great wealth and distinction. Her elder sister, a mindless blonde with creamy skin and exuberant figure, had made a notable English marriage, having wedded no less a potentate than the young Marquis of Monogram, heir of a renowned ducal house. Miss Ada was a leader in her way, and she felt keenly disanpointed by the unforeseen turn of affairs. She had anticipated prodigions fun out of the new scholar. She was by nature cruel and arrogant, and she was now affected as some feline creature that has been cheated of the prey it has meant to maul and maim.

Her reddish hazel eyes, that showed so little white as to look like two large beads of clothed amber, and were fringed with scant lashes of lighter red, kept up a persistent scrutiny of Claire. She was sitting not far away from the latter, who caught, now and then, a waft of the delicate violet perfume which exhaled from her fine foreign apparel. She was occupied with her epicurean repast, whose dainties she levoured with a solemn gluttony; but this did not prevent her from keeping up a little fusillade of whispers to a friend on whom she had bestowed one or two bites of luscious cake as a mark of

peculiar clemency. The converse was at first low toned. Claire had finished her brief refreshment. She had opened a book, and maintained at least a semblance of bemanutament at least a semblance of being engaged in its contents. Suddenly she heard Ada Gerrard speak these words, in a voice lifted above her former key, though doubtless meant solely for her companion's care:

"I don't care how much she knows.

She's a common little thing, and I Miscellaneous.

inees and begged me to."

Claire waited a few seconds, with head lowered above her book. She trembled while she so waited. The tremor was half from anger, half from intimidation. She felt, in every fibre of 500 TEACHERS, Trustees and Suntay School Superintendents wanted, to inspect METHERELL'S large and well selected Prize and Library books. The largest discount given in the county. her being, the coarseness of this speech, but through her sensitive soul had shot

own humble state and the probable ndeur and comfort of life which had grandeur and comfort of life which nau-fed Ada Gerrard's present superciliousness. But anger conquered. She ceased to tremble, and closed her book. LINDSAY. Then she rose quietly, and faced her classmate. It may have been that the generations of gentlewomen from which. on her father's side, she had sprung, helped to nerve and steady her now; Lumber, Lath, Shingles and since the primal source of all aristocracy is a cogent self-assertion, and those

the will and vigor to push forward resisted claims. Everybody saw her rise. It flashed through the little throng in an instant that something had spurred her into a course of retaliation. At least fifteen pairs of eager eyes were leveled upon her pale face. But she regarded Ada Gerrard only; and when she spoke, with enough clearness to be heard in all parts of the room, her first words were addressed strictly to that special

races alone gain heights over-browing

their kind whose first founders have had

offender. "You say that you will not notice me," Claire began, "and yet you say it so loudly that I can hear you, and thus you very plainly contradict your-self, or, in other words, you try to attract my attention by speaking a falsehood

Here she paused. A dead silence ensued. Many bewildered looks were exchanged. The presiding teacher stopped her task, and sat with a gaze of puzzled alarm fixed upon this resolute young combatant. Ada Gerrard flushed crimson, and ceased to discuss her savory confections.

Claire's voice quivered as she now proceeded, but she quickly controlled this perturbed sign:

" I do not think there is much chance of my begging you on my knees to notice me," she said. "But I might be tempted to take such a way of begging that you would try and help me to forget, as long as I remain here, how I have had the ill luck of being thrown near anyone so unkind, so impudent, and so vulgar as yourself."

Ada Gerrard sprang to her feet as the last calm word sounded from Claire's lips. She had clenched both of her plump hands, and there was a wrathful scowl on her face. Several titters were heard from her companions; they seemed to sting her. It was impossible for her to fail in perceiving that she had met an adversary of twice her own prowess. She knew to which side the sympathy had veered; all her imposing superiority in the way of dress, of diet. home splendor, of titled kindred, were momentarily as nothing beside Claire's placid antagonism.

She was only an ugly girl in an ugly rage, who had behaved insolently and been rebuked with justice; while Claire, of uncouth costume no longer present, her beauty a fact beyond dispute, her intelligence a recent discovery and a sharp surprise, stood clad with the dignity of easy and complete conquest. Ada Gerrard suddenly burst into tears. They were very irate tears; there was not the least tincture of remorse or shame in them. She flung herself back into her chair, and covered her face for several minutes while she

Claire watched her, tranquilly, for a little while. Then she sat down again and reopened her book. An intense silence reigned, broken by the sobs of Ada Gerrard. Claire leaned her head on her hand, feigning abrupt absorption in the page that she regarded, and feigning it very well. But her mind was in a secret whirl, now. She was mutely, but impulsively asking herself: "Will they think I was right? Will they take my part? Will they treat me any more kindly, or just as before?"

These silent, pathetic queries were fated to receive a speedy answer. Before the school hours of that same day had ended, the ostracism which had so wrung poor Claire's spirit was in a measure ended likewise. Less than a week had elapsed before she was on friendly terms with a number of her classmates. A little adverse clique soon shaped itself against her. Ada Gerrard, fiercely unforgiving, headed this hostile faction; its remaining members were a few staunch personal adherents who had never been able to resist the dazzling fascination of Miss Gerrard's toilets and lunches. But this opposing element was not actively inimical. Claire's party had the strength of multitude and the courage of its opinions. Still, its members were by no means ardent devotees; they sometimes hurt her with the sly stab of patronage, and they often gave her furtively to understand that her claims upon their favor were of a sort which they practically recognized without theoretically approving. (Continued next week.)

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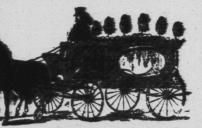
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