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The Poverty of Position

Or, Violet Beaton's Contempt For Titles.

CHAPTER XXVI.—Cont.

What would Randolph say? She remembered his great love for children, and how often he had said to her that his fondest prayer was that Heaven would bless him with a son. On the bridge at Salzburg, watching the fast-flowing river, he had said to her quite suddenly:

"Violet, I shall call him 'Byno,' in remembrance of the dear old woods where I first met you."

She had laughed carelessly at the time. Now the words came back to her and pierced her heart.

If Randolph knew—how had it ways been so kind to her—how had it suddenly he would tell her? But he did not know, and most probably he was with Miss Marr. Violet must never be known. Suddenly Randolph seemed to have grown doubly dear to her. Then the difficulty of her position dawned upon her. What was she to do? Of all houses in the world, her secret must never be known here. She must go at once. Gradually all other thoughts and ideas resolved themselves into one decision that she must leave Queen's Elm. When the doctor returned that evening, she must not be there; she must go at once, and leave no trace, no address behind her. To her he would mind this one thing was clear. She dressed herself and rang for the housekeeper.

"Do you want to kill yourself, Miss Beaton," asked the astonished woman, "by going out after such an illness?"

"No, but I must go. I am not going out merely for a stroll. I am leaving Queen's Elm never to return."

"It is madness," said the housekeeper, "and most probably will terminate in death."

"I cannot help it," cried Violet. "Do not oppose me. I have made up my mind to go, and nothing will induce me to stay."

"Well, I enter my protest," said the housekeeper, "two hours since we all thought you were dying, and now you are going out. You have hardly strength to walk, Miss Beaton!"

"I shall be better soon. I cannot stay here. I am going to the carriage house. See that the carriage is ready. I must be at the station by four."

Violet had decided on going to London, not knowing where else to go.

Mrs. Ingram looked most astonished when Violet stood before her.

"Do not be alarmed," she said. "I wish I had more time that I might speak more fully to you."

Mrs. Ingram rushed herself and looked into the lovely, colorless face.

"I hope I shall not startle you," pursued Violet; and there was a ring of impatience in her voice. "I am sorry to tell you that I am obliged to leave Queen's Elm to-day. I am afraid it will be a great inconvenience; but I am compelled to go."

"It is very sudden, very unexpected, my dear," said the stately, gentle old lady, "but of course, if you cannot help it."

"I cannot, I cannot!" cried Violet. "I am in great trouble—I must go."

"I have known it ever since you went with me to my husband's grave," said Mrs. Ingram, quietly. "Only tell me how, and I will do all I can to help you."

"You are very good," returned Violet, "but you could not do anything for me. I am sorry to leave you; you have been very kind to me."

"Go then, my dear. Do not be so sorry about me. I am very sorry you are going; you are a great favorite of mine, and I shall miss you very much. But if it is urgent that you should go, I will make no effort to detain you. When are you going?"

DARK, TEMPESTUOUS NIGHTS

Sometimes They Are the Bright Dawn of a Day of Christian Usefulness.

(Based according to Act of the Parliament of Canada, in the year One thousand Nine hundred and Three, 3rd Sess., Chap. 11, of the Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.)

A despatch from Chicago says—Rev. Frank De Witt Langford preached the following text—Matthew 23:12. "Jesus constrained his disciples to get into a large boat, and he went before them in a galley, and he taught them as he went." There it is! See! You are the disciples' boat, tossed about on the waves of Lake Galilee. Remember that at the fourth watch, or just at the breaking of the dawn, Christ, as he did upon the crystal pavement of the temple, will appear to you walking upon the waves of the sea.

That tempest for a purpose; remember that you are being fitted to your work, if you are faithful to him, as Adoniram Judson was being fitted for his work; remember that in the dark hours of your temptations night Christ is watching and waiting for you as he watched the disciples struggling on the waves of Lake Galilee; remember that at the fourth watch, or just at the breaking of the dawn, Christ, as he did upon the crystal pavement of the temple, will appear to you walking upon the waves of the sea.

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THE MARKETS

Prices of Grain, Cattle, etc. in Trade Centres.

Toronto, Jan. 27.—At the cattle market to-day the receipts were 84 cars, containing 1,667 cattle, 1,392 sheep, 1,822 hogs, and 25 calves. Sales passed off slowly in all lines of cattle, and at the close a good deal of butchers' exporters were left unsold.

There was a good demand for choice stockers and feeders, and a lot of them of 1,025 to 1,150 lbs. The bulk of the business in these was transacted on a basis of \$4 to \$4.25. Feeders of 850 to 900 lbs. brought \$3.50 to \$4 per cwt. Quite a lot of butchers' heifers and steers were sold at \$3.50 to \$4.25 per cwt. For medium and choice stock of 850 to 1,050 lbs. Butchers' bulls were sold at \$3.50 for heavy, and \$3 to \$3.40 for light. The butchers' and exporters' bulls offered and changed hands in the majority of cases at \$3.50 to \$4 per cwt. The quality was fairly good.

Camers were scarce, and the prices were low. Rough butchers' brought from \$3 to \$3.25 per cwt. A choice lot of butchers' cows of from 950 to 1,050 lbs. was sold at \$3.70 to \$4.25 per cwt. Milk cows and springers were in good demand, and the prices ranged from \$30 to \$55 each. For extra choice stock higher prices would be paid.

Sales in sheep and lambs were slow, and lambs took another drop of 25 to 25c per 100 lbs. The quotations now being \$4 to \$4.75 per cwt. 250 to 300 were left in the hands of the dealers. The receipts were much larger than usual, and this had something to do with the decline. Ewes were steady at \$3.50 to \$3.75 per cwt., and bucks were worth \$2.50 to \$3.

Calves were still scarce and wanted, and the prices remained firm at \$3 to \$10 each, and 44 to 64 per lb. Hogs—There were liberal offerings and the market continued weak in sympathy with the easy tone of the English market. The prices paid were \$6 for select bacon hogs of 160 to 200 lbs., \$5.87 for thick fats, and \$5.87 for light.

Exporters' live—Per 100 lbs. Choice \$5.00 4.00 Medium 4.50 4.00 Heavy 4.00 3.50 Butchers' 3.75 4.00 Choice 4.25 4.00 Medium 3.65 3.00 Heifers 3.00 3.90 Bulls 3.00 3.50 Cows 2.75 3.75 Feeders 2.50 3.50 Camers 2.25 2.50 Sheep—Lambs 4.00 4.75 Bucks 3.50 3.75 Butchers' 3.50 3.00 Calves, each 3.00 10.00 Hogs—Selects, 160 to 200 lbs. 6.00 0.00 Thick 5.87 0.00 Lights 5.87 0.00

THE DAIRY MARKETS.—Butter—The market was steady as a rule, with prices showing little change. We quote—Finest, 1-10 rolls, 19 to 20c; selected dairy tubs, 17 to 18c; choice large rolls, 17 to 18c; secondary grades (rolls and tubs), 15 to 18c; bakers', 13 to 14c; cream-prints, 23 to 23c; solids, 20 to 21c.

Eggs—Market is steady. We quote—Cold storage, 17 to 17c; 20c; ordinary, 15 to 17c; limited, 15 to 16c; splits, 12 to 13c.

Cheese—Market rules firm. We quote—Finest Cheddars, 13 to 13c; 12c; 12c.

MONTREAL MARKETS.—Montreal, Jan. 27.—Manitoba millers have raised prices of flour 15c a barrel; even this, however, is not equivalent to the rise in wheat, since, counting four and a half bushels to the barrel, the grain costs them 25c more the barrel of flour than formerly. Choice is scarce, and those who have it are not anxious to sell. Butter is rather dull, the price quoted being for fresh receipts, while little is coming in. There is a good deal of held stock, however, which 22 to 22c is asked; this price cannot be got at present, but is expected later on. Grain—No. 1 Manitoba hard wheat, 74c; No. 1 Northern, 72c; in store, Port William; peas, 72c; high freight; oats, No. 2 in store here, 35c; 31c high freight; eye, 49c; cast; buckwheat, 50c; cast; Flour—Manitoba patents, \$4.35; seconds, \$4.05; Ontario straight rollers, \$3.50 to \$3.65; in bags, \$1.70 to \$1.75; patents, \$3.70 to \$4.10.

UNITED STATES MARKETS.—St. Louis, Jan. 27.—Wheat closed—Cash, 73c; January, 72c; May, 76c; July, 72c.

Buffalo, Jan. 27.—Flour—Firm. Wheat—Spring, very little business. No. 1 hard, 89c; winter, offerings very light; No. 2 red, 79c. Corn—Firm. No. 2 yellow, 54c; No. 2 corn, 52c to 53c. Oats—Strong; No. 2 white, 42c; No. 3 white, 41c. Barley—52 to 65c. Rye—No. 1 in store, 61c.

Minneapolis, Jan. 27.—Close—Wheat—May, 78c to 79c; July, 78c; on track, No. 1 hard, 79c; No. 2 Northern, 78c; No. 2 Northern, 77c.

Toledo, Jan. 27.—Wheat—Dull, firm, cash and January, 79c; May, 82c; July, 79c; Oats—Dull, firm; January, 44c; May, 44c; Oats—Dull, firm; January, 36c; May, 37c; Rye—No. 2, 53c; 60c; Oats—Fairly active; strong; January, 37c; March, 37c; prime timothy, \$1.90; prime alfalfa, \$8.35.

Duluth, Jan. 27.—Close—Wheat—Cash, No. 1 hard, 78c; No. 1 Northern, 77c; No. 2 Northern, 75c; May, 79c; July, 79c. Oats—May, 35c.

Milwaukee, Jan. 27.—Wheat—Higher; close, No. 1 Northern, 81c to 81c; No. 2 Northern, 80 to 80c; \$1.70 to 1.80c; sellers. Rye—No. 1, 51 to 52c; Barley—Lower; No. 2, 65 to 67c; sample, 45 to 58c. Corn—May, 44c bid.

CHAPTER XXVII.

Mrs. Carstone wept tears of genuine delight at the unexpected news.

"It is a gift from Heaven," she cried, "to recompense you and your husband—a gift from Heaven."

Piles
To prove to you that Dr. Chase's Ointment is the most effective and reliable remedy for hemorrhoids, piles, and all other ailments of the rectum, you should try it. It is a simple, safe, and effective remedy that has cured thousands of people. It is made of natural ingredients and is completely free from any harmful substances. It is the only remedy that is guaranteed to cure piles in a short time.

Dr. Chase's Ointment

DIZZY SPELLS AND ACHING HEAD
Tell of Strivelled Arteries and Exhausted Nerves—They Warn You of Approaching Paralysis or Collapse—Dr. Chase's Nerve Food is the Most Potent Nerve Restorer.

The sufferer from nervous headache and dizzy spells never knows what minute he may fall helplessly a victim of vertigo or paralysis, for these symptoms tell of depleted nerve cells and a wasting of vigor and vitality.

Other indications of nervous exhaustion are: tremor of the eyes, stomach troubles, sleeplessness, cold hands and feet, restlessness, irritability, weakened memory, lack of energy and enthusiasm, mental weakness, fainting spells, lightheadedness, and tired, languid pains and aches.

Nervous diseases are most dreadful to contemplate, because of the frequency with which they end in paralysis, locomotor ataxia, epilepsy, insanity. All movement of the body or its members is controlled by the nerves, and hence it follows that paralysis of some of the nerves is the natural consequence of exhausted and depleted nerves.

Dr. Chase's Nerve Food cures dizzy spells, headache and all symptoms of nervous exhaustion by actually increasing the quantity and quality

of the blood and creating new nerve force.

Mrs. Eam, 8 Leonard avenue, Toronto, says:—For a number of years I have been troubled with weakness and dizzy spells, nervous, sick headaches, and in fact, my nervous system seemed to be in an exhausted condition. Languid, depressing feelings would come over me at times, and I would become discouraged and despondent. Since a course of treatment with Dr. Chase's Nerve Food I do not hesitate to pronounce it a splendid medicine for weakness of all kinds. It has been of great benefit to me for my nerves and much to my health.

Merely a Suggestion.

"I suppose," said the scoffer, "you can call up any spirit I want to talk to?"

"Perhaps," replied the business-like medium, pecking at the coffee, "but wouldn't you rather fail some spirit down, young man?"

Of the 1,600,000 natives in Liberia, there are 60,000 civilized negroes, who have been deported or have emigrated there from the United States.

THE PROFESSOR.

"Is there any good reason," suddenly inquired some one in the group, "why medium should be called 'fifty'?"

"Not in this town," said the professor. "We use so little of it for cleaning the streets."

The first life insurance society was started in London in 1698, and another in 1700. Neither was successful.

IN THE KING'S KITCHEN.
Edward VII's New German Steward Stirs Up Trouble.

Discontent is beginning to become manifest among the retainers of the royal household over the new domestic arrangements, which are not working smoothly. The chief complaint comes from the royal tradesmen, who are thoroughly dissatisfied with the new regime of domestic economy.

OBJECTED TO THE CHANGE.
When an old farmer's daughter first left her good old country home, with its quiet, simple ways, for a year at a fashionable boarding school she signed her name "Sarah Jane Smith" and took no offence at being called "Sally." Just three months later her letter came home signed "Sadie J. Smith."

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