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Rorie and Vixen; OR, A HAPPY MARRIAGE.

CHAPTER XXIX.—(Continued.)
He went off to get his gun, in the worst humor he had ever been in since he was a child and cried for the moon.

He spent the whole day in a young oak plantation, ankle-deep in ozy mud, and dead end, making havoc among the innocent birds. He was in a blood-thirsty temper that he felt if he could have shot a covy of young children, had they come in his way, with all the ferocity of a modern Herod.

"I think I've spoiled Carmichael's covers for this year, at any rate," he said to himself, as he tramped homeward in the early darkness, with no small hazard of losing himself in one of those ghostly plantations, which were all exactly alike, and in which a man might walk a day long without meeting anything nearer humanity than a trespassing porcupine that had leaped a fence in quest of more sufficing food than the scanty herbage of the open woods.

Lord Mallow got on better than might have been expected. He went east when he ought to have gone west, and found himself in Queen's Bower when he fancied himself in Gretman Wood; but he did not walk more than half a dozen miles out of his way, and he got home somehow at last, which was much for a stranger to the ground.

The stable clock was chiming the quarter before six when he went into the hall, where Vixen had left him in anger that morning. The great wood fire was burning, and Captain Carmichael was sitting in a Glastonbury chair in front of it. "Vest for the birds, after all, old fellow," he said, without looking round, recognizing the trend of Lord Mallow's shooting boots.

"You found it too dismal in the house, I suppose? Consistently abominable weather, isn't it? You must be soaked to the skin."

"I suppose I am," answered the other, carelessly. "But I've been soaked a good many times before, and it hasn't done me much harm. Thanks to the modern inventions of the waterproof makers, the soaking begins inside instead of out. I should call myself parboiled."

"Take off your oil-skins, and come and talk. You'll have a nip, won't you?" added Captain Carmichael, ringing the bell. "Kitchin, fetch Curcun, Glenivatt—what shall it be?"

"Glenivatt," answered Lord Mallow, "and plenty of it. I'm in the humor in which a man must either drink inordinately or cut his throat."

"Were the birds unapproachable?" asked Captain Carmichael, laughing. "Or were the dogs troublesome?"

"Birds and dogs were perfect; but—well, I suppose I'd better make a clean breast of it. I've had a capital time here—Oh, here, here, here! Hold your hand, old fellow," cried Lord Mallow, as his host poured the Glenivatt somewhat recklessly into a soda-water tumbler. "You mustn't take me too literally, but I moisten the bottom of the glass with whiskey before you put in the soda. That's as much as I care about."

"All right. You were saying—"

"That my visit here has been simply deplorable, and that I must go to London by an early train, which is—"

"Paradoxical!" remarked the captain. "That sounds like your well-bred servant, who tells you that he has nothing to say against the situation, but he wishes to leave you at the end of his month. What's the matter, dear boy? Do you find our Forest hermitage too dull?"

"I should ask nothing kinder from Fate than to be allowed to spend my days in your Forest. Yes, I could say good-bye to the green hills and valleys of County Cork, and become that detestable being, an absentee, if—if—fortune smiled on me. But she doesn't, you see, and I must go. Perhaps you may have perceived, if I win her, bags you may not have been altogether averse from the idea—in a word, I have fallen over head and ears in love with your bewitching step-daughter."

by the velvet drapery of the fire-place, on the other by her mother's chair. He could only catch a glimpse of her and burn now and then as her head bent over her open book. He never heard her voice or met her eyes; and yet it was sweet to him to sit in the same room with her.

"Come, Mallow, you can sing us something, at any rate," said the captain, suppressing a yawn. "I know you can sing your own accompaniment when you play. You can't be too idle to give us one of Moore's melodies."

"I'll sing, if you like, Mrs. Carmichael," assented Lord Mallow; "but I'm afraid you must be tired of my songs. My repertoire is rather limited."

"Your songs are charming," said Mrs. Carmichael. The Irishman seated himself at the distant piano, struck a chord or two, and began the old melody, with its familiar refrain:

"Oh, there's nothing half so sweet in life As love's young dream!"

Before his song was finished Violet had kissed her mother and slipped silently from the room. Lord Mallow saw her go, and there was a sudden break in his voice as the door closed upon her—a break that sounded almost like a suppressed sob.

When Vixen came down to breakfast next morning she found the table laid only for three.

"What has become of Lord Mallow?" she asked Forbes, when he brought in the urn.

"He left by the early train, ma'am," Captain Carmichael drove him to Lyndhurst.

"The old servants of the Abbey House had not yet brought themselves to speak of their new lord as 'master.' He was always 'Captain Carmichael,' and the new play was 'The Argus,' whom even the new lord had not banished wholly from the family sitting-rooms."

The servants filed in for morning prayers, which Captain Carmichael delivered in a cold, hard voice. His manner of family worship was of concise and business-like form, and the whole ceremony lasted about seven minutes, when the household dispersed quickly, and Forbes brought in his tray of covered dishes.

"You can pour out the tea, Violet. Your mother is feeling a little tired, and will breakfast in her room."

"I'll have my breakfast with her," said Vixen. "She'll be glad of my company, I dare say."

"She has a headache, and will be better alone. Stop where you are, if you please, Violet. I have something serious to say to you."

Vixen left off pouring out the tea, clasped her hands in her lap, and looked at Captain Carmichael with the most resolute expression he had ever seen in a woman's face.

"Are you going to talk to me about Lord Mallow?" she asked.

"Then spare yourself the trouble. It would be useless."

CONDENSED NEWS ITEMS

HAPPENINGS FROM ALL OVER THE GLOBE.

Telegraphic Briefs From Our Own and Other Countries of Recent Events.

CANADA.

Prince Fushimi donated \$50 to Toronto choral institutions.

Reports received in Toronto state that heavy rains have drowned out the fires around Thessalon.

The Fruit Inspection Department has decided that small berry boxes must contain four-fifths of a quart.

John Leovig, an employee of the White Bear mine at Rossland, fell 700 feet down the shaft and was killed.

The Temiskaming & Northern Ontario Railway will be completed by the end of the present season to the two hundred-mile post.

Mr. Henry O'Brien, K.C., in a letter to the Mayor, stated that the city of Toronto were probably the worst on the continent.

The Canadian Northern Railway has run a branch line to Moose Mountain, where Messrs. Mackenzie & Mann have very large iron ore deposits.

The London & Southwestern Railway has settled with Mrs. Walter Barwick, of Toronto, for \$10,000 in an accident on last Dominion Day.

GREAT BRITAIN.

The British Commons by an overwhelming vote favored restriction of the power of the Lords.

UNITED STATES.

United States railmakers offer a perfect rail for \$33 a ton. Wreck-causing rails cost \$28.

Seven persons were killed by the fall of a tenement in the Italian quarter of New York, on Tuesday.

Col. H. P. Brewster, of Atlanta, Ga., was shot and killed during a riot on an excursion train by French Tarly, a negro.

Because the parents of Carrie Strom, of Chicago, told her they could not afford to give her a new graduation dress, the girl left her home.

Mrs. Bell, an aged woman of Medicine Lodge, Kan., is missing, and is believed to have been blown away by one of the tornadoes which visited the place lately.

Mrs. Clara Lemon and her son of four years were instantly killed in St. Paul, Minn., while taking in the family wash.

FOREIGNERS SWEAR ALLEGIANCE.

A despatch from Ottawa says: The returns of naturalization in Canada for 1906 have been tabulated by the Secretary of State's Department, and show that a very large proportion of Canada's new citizens from foreign countries are taking the oath of allegiance.

During the year the naturalization totaled 10,242, as compared with 6,632 for the previous year, an increase of 5,610. The Naturalization Act requires three years residence in the Dominion before papers of citizenship can be taken out.

In making up consideration the fact that the heads of families and young men over 21 years of age of foreign birth need to take the oath of allegiance, the total of 10,242 for last year probably represents a foreign immigration of thirty to forty thousand.

THE PERILS OF LABOR

No Less Than 91 Fatalities Reported During May.

A despatch from Ottawa says: Reports to the Labor Department show that the number of trade disputes during May was 49, an increase of twelve over the corresponding month of 1906. The loss in working days was approximately 88,325 as compared with 82,500 in May of last year. The increase is largely due to the strike of coal miners in the west, and of longshoremen in Montreal. There were about 411 firms and 11,697 employees affected by the various disputes.

There was a marked upward tendency in wages in nearly all lines of industry during the month. The number of new agreements with respect to wages reported to the department was considerably in excess of that during the corresponding period of any previous year since 1903. Nearly all the new agreements were on the basis of higher wage schedules. In the majority of cases the increases were obtained as a result of amicable negotiations and without friction between employers and employees.

During May there were 287 work people injured in industrial accidents. Of these 91 were fatal and 196 resulted in serious injuries. Railway accidents were responsible for twenty fatalities and thirty by them were injured.

THE WORLD'S MARKETS

REPORTS FROM THE LEADING TRADE CENTRES.

Prices of Cattle, Grain, Horses and Other Dairy Produce at Home and Abroad.

Toronto, July 2.—Flour—Ontario wheat 90 cent, patents are quoted at \$3.10 in buyers' sacks, outside, for export. Manitoba first patents, \$4.75; second patents, \$4.20 to \$4.25; and strong bakers', \$4.05 to \$4.10.

Wheat—No. 1 Manitoba hard is quoted at 95c, lake ports; No. 1 Northern at 96c, and No. 2 Northern at 91c. Ontario wheat is steady, with No. 2 white and red winter quoted at 90 to 91c outside.

Barley—No. 2 offered at 81c outside, and 48c bid for a load, September or October delivery. No. 3 extra also 48c bid for a load, September or October, without offerings. No. 3 barley, 50c bid outside.

Peas—No. 2 offered at 81c outside, and 45c bid. No. 2 white offered at 60c outside and at 45c on a 6c rate to Toronto, with 45c bid.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Beans—Hand-picked quoted at \$1.50, and primes at \$1.35 to \$1.40.
Honey—Strained quoted at 11 to 12c per lb. and comb honey at 82 to 82.50 per dozen.

Hay—No. 1 timothy is quoted at \$14 to \$15.50 here, and No. 2 at 12 to \$13. Straw—87 to 87.50 a ton on track here. Potatoes—Ontario, \$1.15 to \$1.20 per bag on track, and New Brunswick, \$1.30 per bag.

Poultry—Turkeys, alive, 11 to 14c; chickens, Spring, 18 to 20c per lb. fowl 10 to 10c.

THE DAIRY MARKETS.

Butter—Pound rolls are quoted at 17 to 18c; tubs nominal at 17 to 17c; large rolls are quoted at 17 to 17c. Creamery prints sell at 20 to 22c, and solids at 19 to 19c.

Eggs—Case lots sell at 17 to 18c a dozen.
Cheese—Large quoted at 12c, and twins at 12c.

HOG PRODUCTS.

Dressed hogs in car lots are nominal. Bacon, long clear, 10c to 11c per lb. in case lots; mess pork, 82c to 82.50; short cut, 82.50 to 83c.

BUSINESS AT MONTREAL.

Montreal, July 2.—Grain—The local market for oats remained steady under a moderate demand for car lots. Manitoba No. 1 white sold at 49 to 49c; Ontario No. 2 at 48c to 49c. No. 3 at 47c to 48c, and No. 4 at 46c to 47c per bushel ex store.

BREAD IN SEALED BAGS.

Direct From Baker to Consumer is Idea of Winnipeg Controller.

A despatch from Winnipeg says: Enclosed in a sealed oiled paper bag and direct from the baker to the consumer, without handling by delivery boys or streetkeepers, is the way Controller J. W. Baker would like to see loaves of bread delivered to consumers in Winnipeg. He is now bringing the matter before the health authorities, and a move along this line may be expected in the near future.

GRATUITY TO LORD CROMER.

British Government to Present Him With \$250,000.

A despatch from London says: It is stated that the Government will award Lord Cromer, who lately resigned his post of British and Consul-General in Egypt, the sum of \$250,000 in recognition of his services in that country.

THE TROUBLES OF RUSSIA

War Department Headquarters of Revolutionaries.

A despatch from St. Petersburg says: The police on Tuesday night searched a department of the War Ministry and found it to be the headquarters of one of the revolutionary groups. Much illegal literature was seized. The building was cordoned by police during the search, but only one arrest was made.

ATTACK ON GUARD HOUSE.

A despatch from Krasnoyarsk, Siberia, says: The attack on the guard house and detention prison here, which began June 21, was resumed on Tuesday night by revolutionists, who occupied the surrounding houses. They opened a heavy fire on the guards and the latter replied with volleys, a cab driver was killed. The prison of Krasnoyarsk is one of the halting places for political prisoners on their way to more distant places of Siberian exile.

SIXTY OFFICERS ARRESTED.

A despatch to a London news agency from Odessa says it is authoritatively reported that sixty officers of the southern military district, several of them connected with the Odessa garrison, have been arrested.

STARTLING EVIDENCE.

Cook of the Crystal Stream in Fear of Fire.

A despatch from St. John, N.B., says: A sensation was caused on Wednesday at the inquest at Cole's Island into the burning of the Crystal Stream, in which the four men lost their lives, by the testimony of Mrs. May Coleman, cook on the steamer. She said she was in fear of fire, and this was chiefly because Mrs. Chase, the stewardess, had told her vengeance against the Crystal Stream had been threatened, if it took ten years. She thought Captain G. H. Perry of the steamer Aberdeen, who formerly was on the Crystal Stream, was the man meant as having threatened the steamer. Captain Perry was shown this statement on the arrival of his steamer here on Wednesday, and he denied it strongly. He imputed a motive to Mrs. Coleman, saying he was influential in having her discharged from the steamer Star some years ago.

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