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The GOOSE GIRL

By **HAROLD MacGRATH**
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"I am waiting. Remember, you are an American citizen for all that you were born here. If anything should happen to you I must know the whole story in order to help you. You know that you may trust me."

"It isn't that, captain. I have grown to like you in these few days. Those opera glasses—it was an idea. Well, since you will know, I was a gardener's boy. I worked under my brother Hermann. I used to ask the nurse, who had charge of her serene highness, where she would go each day. Then I'd cut flowers and meet them on the road somewhere and give the bouquet to the child. There was never any escort—a footman and a driver. The little one was always greatly pleased, and she would call me Hans. I was in love those days." Grumbach laughed with bitterness. "Yes, even I. Her name was Tekla, and she was a jade. I wanted to run away, but I had no money. I had already secured a passport—no matter how. It was the first affair, and I was desperately hurt. One day a gypsy came to me. I shall always know him by the yellow spot in one of his black eyes. I was given a thousand crowns to tell him which road her highness was to be driven over the next day. As I said, I was mad with love. Why a gypsy should want to know where her highness was going to ride was of no consequence to me. I told him. I was to get the money the same night. It was thus that her highness was stolen. It was thus that I became accessory before the fact, as the lawyers say. Flight with a band of Magyar gypsies; weary days in the mountains, with detachments of troops scouring the whole duchy. Finally I escaped. A fortune was offered for the immediate return of the child. At the time I believed that it was an abduction for ransom. But no one ever came forward for the reward. There was a price on my head when it was known that I had fled."

"And no one ever came for the reward? That is strange. Was immunity promised?" Carmichael asked.

"It was inferred, but not literally promised."

"Fear kept them away?"

"Perhaps. And there is Arnberg."

"Was he guilty?"

"I never saw his hand anywhere."

"So this is the story! Well, when a man's love he is more or less in the clutch of temporary insanity. I've a wild streak in me also. But what I can't understand is why you return and put your head in the lion's mouth. The police will stumble on something. If you are arrested I could do little for you. The United States protects only harmless political outcasts. Yours is a crime such as nullifies your citizenship, and say government would be compelled to send you back here if the demand was made for your extradition."

"I know all that."

"I suppose that when conscience drives we must go on. But the princess has been found. The best thing you can do is to put your passports into immediate use and return to the States. You can do no good here."

"Maybe," Grumbach refilled his pipe, lighted it and without saying more went out and down into the street.



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"What did you say, herr?"

"Nothing. You can't remember? Think!" tensely now.

"What's all this nonsense about?" she cried, with a nervous laugh. "It's only a scar."

She patted the dough into four squares. These she placed on the oven stove.

"There! It's a fine mystery, isn't it?"

"Yes," But Grumbach was shaking as with ague.

"What is the matter, herr?" with concern.

"I grow dizzy like this sometimes. It doesn't amount to anything."

Gretchen turned down her sleeves. "You must go now, for I have other work."

"And so have I, Gretchen."

He gained the street, but how he never knew. A great calm suddenly winged down upon him, and the world became clear—clear as his purpose, his courage, his duty. They might shoot or hang him as they saw fit. This would not deter him.

The gypsy, standing in the center of the walk, did not see Grumbach, for he was looking toward the palaces. Grumbach, even more oblivious, crashed into him. Grumbach stammered an apology, and the other replied in his peculiar dialect. The jar, however, had roused Hans out of his tragic musings. There was a glint of yellow in the gypsy's eye, a flaw in the iris. Hans gave a cry.

"You? I find you at this moment of all others?"

The gypsy retreated. "I do not know you. It is a mistake."

"But I know you," whispered Hans. "And you will know me when I tell you that I am the gardener's boy you ruined some sixteen years ago."

CHAPTER XIV. DISCLOSURES.

CARMICHAEL sat in the office of the consulate. His letter of resignation was on its way, but it would be in November before he heard definitely from the department. By that time the great snows would have blanketed the earth and the madir of his discontent would be reached. But what to do till that time? He could ride for some weeks, but riding without companionship was rather a lonesome affair. His own defiance of the chancellor had erected a barrier between her highness and himself. They would watch him now, evade him, put small obstacles in his path, obstacles against which he could enter no reasonable complaint. A withered leaf, a glove and a fan—these represented the sum of his romance.

Two figures moved in the garden beneath. When the two heads came together swiftly and then separated, both smiling, he realized that he had witnessed a kiss. Ah, here was the opportunity, and by the Lord Harry, he would not let it slip. If this fellow meant wrongly toward Gretchen—and how could he mean else?—he, Carmichael, would take the matter boldly into his hands to do some caning. He laughed. Here would be another souvenir, to have cand—

He jumped to his feet, dropped his pipe on the sill of the window and made for his hat and sword cane. The clerk went on with his writing.

To gain the garden Carmichael would have to pass through the tavern. The first person he encountered was Colonel von Wallenstein. Wallenstein spoke to Frau Bauer, who answered him with cold civility. Wallenstein twirled his mustache, laughed and went into the garden. Neither Gretchen nor the vintner saw Wallenstein. He watched them with an evil smile. After some deliberation he walked lightly toward the lovers.

"A pretty picture!" he said.

"Leave us, Gretchen," said the vintner, with a deceiving gentleness.

Gretchen started reluctantly down the path. As she stepped off the path to go round the colonel he grasped her rudely and kissed her on the cheek. She screamed, and this scream brought Carmichael upon the scene. He saw the vintner run forward and dash his

est into the soldier's face. Wallenstein fell back hurt and blinded. The vintner, active as a cat, saw Carmichael coming on a run. He darted toward him and before Carmichael could prevent him dragged the sword cane away. The blade, thin and pliant, flashed and none too soon. The colonel had already drawn his saber.

"Save him!" Gretchen wrung her hands.

(To be continued.)

FRACTIOUS BOVINE HELD THE ROAD

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or not. At first it seemed necessary to comb the long grass to find the remains of the buggy, but a few large pieces could be seen when the dust and fog had settled.

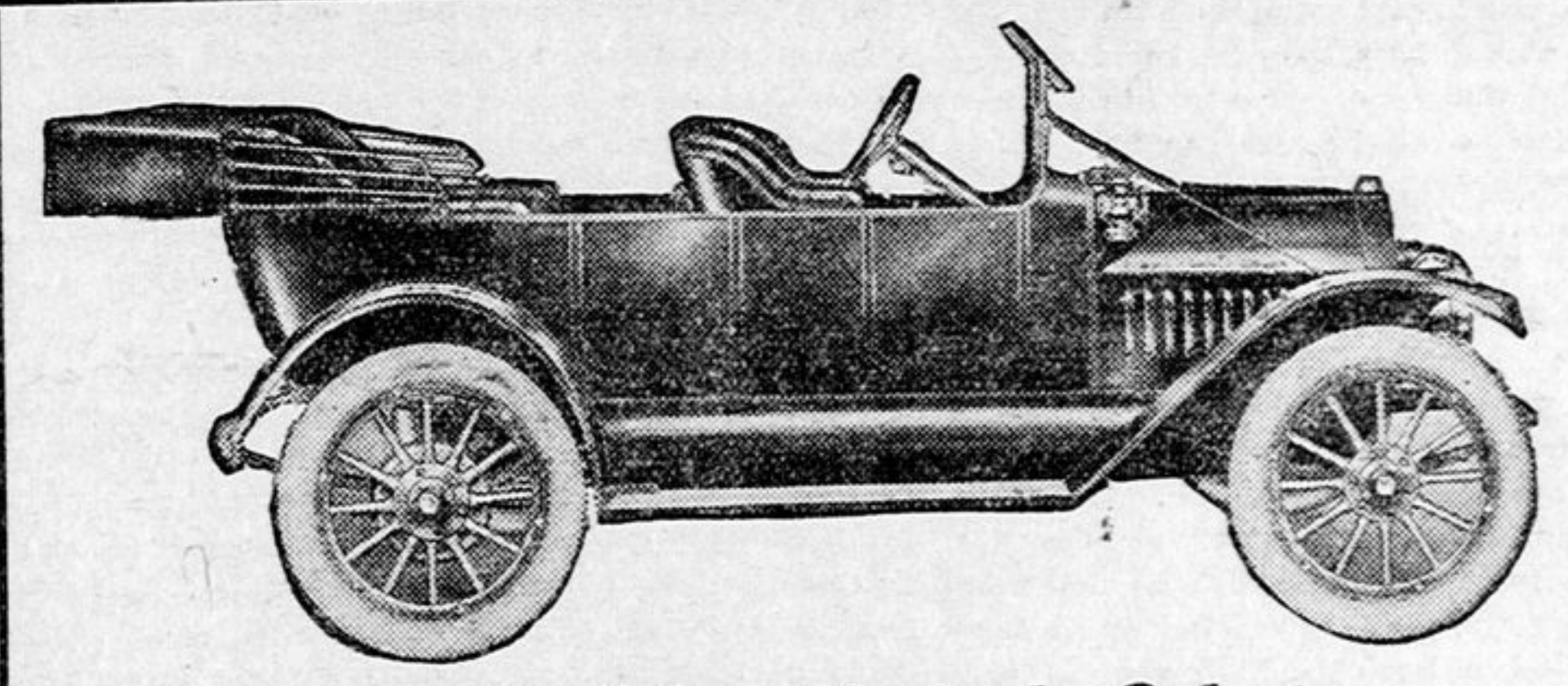
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