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CHAPTER II .- (Continued "Of all earthly things!" said Mrs. Gordon, "A fetter from that poor child. Katherine Van Heemskirk. more wit than I expected. So father won't let her come to me. Why then, upon my word, I will go to her. Capt. Hyde was interested at once You will go to morrow?" he saled "and would it be beyond good breeding

"Indeed, nephew, I think it would Be patient; to morrow morning I wil call upon our fair neighbor."

The next morning was damp, there had been heavy rain during the night; but Capt. Hyde would not led his aunt forget or forego her promise. A negro woman was polishing the brass prnaments of the door, and over its spotless threshold she passed with

A few minutes she wafted alone the best partor, charmed with its far off air and Eastern scents, and then Madam Van Heemskirk welcomed her. In her heart she was pleased at the visit. She thought privately that her Joris had been a little too strict. And Mrs. Gordon's praise of Katherine and her declaration that "she was inconsolable without the dear creature's society,' seemed to the fond mother the bow of orange ribbon!" most proper and natural of feelings.

"Do but let me see her an hour, madam," she said, "You know my sincere admiration. Is not that her voice? I vow, she sings to perfection! And what a singular melody! Please to set wide the door madan."

"It is the brave song of the brave men of Zealand, when from the walls of Leyden they drove away the Spaniards;" and madam stood in the open door, and called to her daughter, "Well, then, Katherine, begin again the song of 'The Beggars of the Bea.' " At the second verse, Mrs. Gordon

rose and said, "Indeed, madam, I find my good breeding no match against such singing. And the tune is wonderful; it has the ring of trumpets, and the roar of the waves in it. Pray let us go at once to your daughter's."

"At work are they; but, if you mind not that, you are welcome indeed." Then she led the way to the large living, or dining, room, where Katherine stood at the table cleaning the silver flagous and cups and plates that adorned the great cak aldeboard.

Joanna, who was darning some fine linen, ross and made her respects with perfect composure. She had very listing liking, either for Mrs. Gordon or her nephewt will many of their ways appeared to her utterly foolish and not devoid of sin. But Katherine trembled and blushed with pleasure and excitements and Mrs. Bordon watched, her with a certain kind of curious delight. Her hair was combed backword, plaited, and tled with a ribbon; her arms have to the shoulders. her black bodice and crimson petticould negtly abjeided with a linen aprent and potent in one hand she held a besutiful affver flegon covered with raised figures, which with patient labor she had brought into shining re-

Conversation was easily maintained. Madam Van Heemaklik knew the pedigree or the history of every tray or cup, and in reminiscence and story an and, away very pleasantly in lend, Then Mrs. Gordon, after bitthe mademit and officing added turned suddenly and said. "Pyer allow yoru daughtes to show me the many ornaments in your parity. The glimpso I had has made the yery impatient to seen shut, Mrs. Gordon Bitted Kathseine's face but ween her balms, and

"Faith, child. A am shibst ma off my head with all the fine things I have listened to for your sake be you know who sent me here?"

"I think; madam, Capt. Hydo." "Paha! Why dott your billand and thammer, and He about ft ? Now, Capt. Hyde wlakes to see you; when can "I know not. To come to Madam Semple's is forbidden me by my

"Oh, indeed! Has your father forbidden you to walk down your garden to the river bank?"

"Then, if Capt, Hyde page about o'clock, he might see you there?"

"No, madam."

The word was a question more than an assent, but Mra. Gordon assent the assent, and did not allow Kathine to contradict it. "And I prom ed to bring him a token from youe was exceedingly anxious about that

There was a small Chine her hand, she said, "My St. Nicho

doubted and debated the matter her heart until the hands of the great clock were rising quickly to the hour of fate. Then she laid down her fine newing and said, "Mother, I want to walk in the garden. When I com back, my task I will finish."

"That is well. Joanna, too, has le her work fall down to her lap. Go both of you, and get the fine air from

was not what Katherine wished, but nothing but assent was possible, and the girls strolled slowly down the box-bordered walks together.

When they reached the river bank a boat rowed by with two English soldiers, stopped just below them, and lay rocking on her oars. Then an officer in the stern rose and Katherine saw Capt. Hyde fling back from his left shoulder his cloak, in order to display the bow of orange ribbon on his

Katherine went back to the house as merry as a bird. She chatted of this and of that and sang snatches of songs, old and new. And all the time her heart beat out its own glad refrain, "My bow of orange ribbon,

> CHAPTER III. Joy in the House.

"Honored gentleman, when will you pay me my money?"

The speaker was an old man dressed in a black coat buttoned to the ankles, and a cap of silk and fur, from beneath which fell a fringe of gray hair. The inquiry was addressed to Capt. Hyde. He paid no attention whatever to it, but, gayly humming a stave of "Marlbrook," watched the crush of wagons and pedestrians, in order to find a suitable moment to cross the narrow street. "Honored gentleman, when will you

pay me my moneya?" The second inquiry elicited still less attention.

"I do not wish to make you more expenses, captain," and Cohen, following the impulse of his anxiety, laid his hand upon his debtor's arm. Hyde turned in a rage, and flung off the touch with a passionate oath. Then the Jew left him and walked slowly towards his store and home.

He soon recovered the calmness which had been lost during his unsat infactory interview with Capt. Hyde. "A wise man frets not himself, for the folly of a fool;" and, having come to this decision, he entered his house with the invocation for its peace and prosperity on his lips.

Soon there was a little stir in the street—that peculiar sense of some thing more than usual, which can make itself felt in the busiest thor oughfare and Cohlen went to the door and looked out. "The Great Christopher" had come

o anchor--- Capt. Batavius de Vries.

There was quite a crowd on the wharf. Some were attracted by curlonity; others, by the hope of a good job on the cargo; others, again, not averse to a little private bargaining for any curious or valuable goods the captain of the "Great Christopher" had for sale.

Joanna Van Heemskirk had had a message from her lover, Capt. de Vries, and she was watching for his arrival. There was no secrecy in her love affairs, and it was amid the joy and smiles of the whole household that she met her affianced husband. They were one of those loving, sensible couples, for whom it is natural to predict a placid and happy life, and the first words of Batavius seemed to assure it:

"My affairs have gone well, Joanna. as they generally do; and now I shall build the house, and we shall be mar-

Joanna laughed. "I shall just say a word or two, also, about that; Bata-

"Come, come, the word or two was said so long ago. Katrijiatje, miju melaje, what's the matter now, that you herer come once?"

Katherine was standing at the open window, apparently watching the honey-bees among the locust blooms. but really perceiving something far beyoud them a boat on the river at the end of the garden. So the question of Batavina touched very lightly physical consciousness. A far sweet-

har; but she answered: "There is nothing the matter, Batavius. I am well, I am happy. now I will go into the garden to make me a fine meegay," and she walked slowly out of the door and stopped or stooped at every flowerhed, while Jo-

er, a far more peremptory voice called

Out of sight of the window, Kathne ran rapidly to the end of the parden, and, parting the lilac bushes bank. Capt Hyde's pretty craft shot There, there! I can really wait no at the landing stair. In a moment he lend me fifty centa.

une, the fire-lit room, the driftin t, that is linked with them. I but to say, "It was yesterday," or, "It was last week," still better they will understand the temptation that was too great for Katherine to overcome. And, as yet, nothing definite had been said to her about Neil Semple, and the arrangement made for her future, so that in effect, she was still free, since Neil had not spoken.

On the night of De Vries' return there was a great gathering at Van Heemskik's house. Conspicuous in the happy, chattering company, Lysbet Van Heemskikrk bustled about, in the very whitest and stiffest of lace caps. Very soon after sundown, Elder Semple and madam his wife arrived; and the elder, as usual, made a decided stir among the group which he joined.

"No, no, councillor," he said, in answer to the invitation of Joris to come outside. "No, no, I'll not risk my health, maybe my vera life, oot on the stoop after sunset."

"Well, then, neighbors, we'll go inside," said Joris. "Clean pipes, and a snowball (gin mixed stiff with sugar), or a glass of Hollands, will not, think, be amiss."

The movement was made among some jokes and laughter, and they gathered near the hearthstone.

Katherine came and stood behind her father's chair. She let her head fall down over his shoulder, and he raised his own to clasp it. "What is it then, mijn, Katrijntje kleintje?"

"It is to dance. Mother says 'yes,' if thou art willing." "Then I say 'yes,' also.

For a moment she laid her cheek against him, and the happy tears came into his eyes, and he stroked her face and half-reluctantly let Batavius lead

At that day there were but few families of any wealth who did not own one black man who could play well upon the violin. Joris possessed two, and they were both on hand, putting their own gay spirits into the fiddle and the bow. And oh, how happy were the beating feet and the beating hearts that went to the stirring strains! It was joy and love and youth in melodious motion. The old looked on with gleaming, sympathetic eyes; the young forgot that they were mortal.

Miss Katern Van Heemskirk and Mr. Neil Semple will now hab de honor of bliging de company wid de French minuet."

At this announcement, made by the first negro violin, there was a sudden silence; and Neil rose, and with a low bow offered the tips of his fingers to the beautiful girl, who rose blushing to take them.

Neil's dark, stately beauty was well set off by his black velvet suit and powdered hair and gold buckles. And no loveller contrast could have faced him than Katherine Van Heemskirk; so delicately fresh, so radiantly fair, she looked in her light blue robe and white lace stomacher, with a pink rose at her breast.

Neil had a natural majesty in his carriage; Katherine supplemented it with a natural grace. As she was in the very act of making Neil a profound courtesy, the door opened and Mrs. Gordon and Capt. Hyde entered. The latter took in the exquisite picture in a moment, and there was a fire of jealousy in his heart when he saw Neil lead his partner to her seat, and with the deepest respect kiss her pretty fingers ere he resigned them.

But he was compelled to control himself, as he was ceremoniously introduced to Councillor and Madam Van Heemskirk by his aunt, who with a charming effusiveness declared "she was very uneasy to intrude so far, but, in faith, councillor," she pleaded, "I am but a woman, and I find the news of a wedding beyond my nature to re-

(To be continued.)

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day," he said, "hastening to keep an important business engagement, when I was stopped by a man who said:

" 'Pardon me, senator, but I see you have been taking an active part in this state election, and I am anxious to learn what you think of the result." " I am naturally much pleased by

the election of Gov. Odell, I replied. "But there was a big slump in the Republican vote in the city and Odell's plurality was very small. I was afraid that this might have a serious significance for the future of our great par-

"I replied that I did not think so, and, remembering my appointment, sought to get rid of my questioner, but

'You greatly relieve my mind,' he said. 'So you are sure you are pleased with the result of the election! " 'Quite so,' I responded.

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