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## FREAK OF CUPID.

CHAPTER V.

avenue. The poplars stood slim, up | not intended to leave it here so long. right, more like a stiff and regular became in Courthope's mind the all important question. Why had he been portant question. ing out of a dozen oceans than like skulking on the most lonely part of the trees upon a plain. He was nearing a man's face, he believed that he had an grove of elm and birch which he had evil design. not seen the evening before; by the almost hidden rails of the fence there sere leaf was the interlacing outline of the trees and shrubs, that they too seemed to be some strange product of this new sort of ocean; they did not remind him of verdant glades. Not that beauty was absent, nor charm, but the scene was strange, very strange; the domain of the laughing princess, on whom he had turned his back, was, in the daylight, more than ever an enchanted land which he could fancy to be unknown in story and until now unexplored by man. Such ideas only came to him by snatches; the rest of him, mind and body, was summed up in a fierce determination to catch the thief and bring back his spoils. Whether by this he would prove himself honest or guilty, he neither knew nor felt that he cared.

Gradually, as he thought less about his snow-shoes, he found that the wide lateral swing which he had been giving lying there. The head resting upon an to his leg was unneeded. Strange as it arm was but slightly covered with seemed, the large rackets did not interfere when he took an ordinary step. Having made this pleasant discovery he quickened speed. He did not know whether the girl had stopped laughing and had gone into the house again, but he knew that the falling snow and the branches of the trees must now hinder her from seeing him distinctly.

becoming incautious, he fell.

Both arms, put out to save himself, no bottom to his touch; when his next impulse was to move knees and feet he found that the points of his show- the heart. shoes were dug deep, and his toes, tied to them, held the soles of his feet in the same position.

confess to a criminal act in order to be allowed to come on this fool's errand? that he could walk upon a frozen cloud without falling through! Such were Courthope's reflections.

mounted out of the hole which he had case in either hand, Courthope doubled was now plodding in the rear. She neck and wrists. He now realized that the house his heart beat high at the house his heart beat hig he had spent nearly half an hour in the closely scanned the windows, the hour of the closely scanned the windows, the following paper first." this cheerless reflection as a companion tin-roof, but no eager eyes were on the serious, the manner more than sedate, the speculative training in the speculative trainin

top of their posts or upper bar; some- youd all doubt. There was a distinct times he could see cross-fences, as if measure of reserve in the satisfaction outlining fields, so that he supposed he still walked through lands farmed from the lonely stone house, that he was still upon his lady's domain. He medisweet beyond compare, although why must be lost. She repeated the story mind was aglow with the quaint huhe thought so, after her mistrust and in French to Morin, and thereupon derision, was one of those secrets arose high words from the Frenchwhich the dimpled Cupid only could ex- man. Madge looked doubtfully at plain. He was forced to acknowledge Courthope, and then she interpreted. the fact that thus he did think, and It seemed that the Frenchman's dethat here he was walking, whither he sire was to put him out again and lock hardly knew, battling with the gale, up the house, leaving the two accom-

tended for a stable.

seeking the door. Against it the drift dangerous, railed upon him. was not deep, for, as it opened on the sheltered side, he had only the snowfall to scrape away. The door, which fast. found a brown shaggy horse tied hand it gives!" she continued. within, and beside it a sleigh, such as form of wood upon runners. Other- down," he said. "He would have tried wise the shed was empty. Courthope to do good even to the viper he had was quickly struck by the recognition of something which set his memory of Sir Charles's well-working. The old buffalo-skin on the known method even with the most villainous, appeared to distract her atthe way it was stretched upon a heap tention for a moment.

frozen brend and bacon, a heavy a better toilet if my reputation were came across the reach of the storm blanket folded beneath, all seemed to to rest upon a pretence. I never heard cheered them.

prove that the driver had made provision for a longer journey. The horse Courthope had struck across to the had no food before it; no blanket was main road at right angles to the poplar upon its back. Probably its driver had

Courthope pursued his way; for, whether the thief had gone farther or remained in this vicinity, it was eviwere half-buried shrubs. So dry, so dently desirable to have help from the hard, so absolutely without bud or nearest neighbors to seek and capture seemed to be a dip or hollow in the plain; in this the wind had been very busy levelling the surface with the higher ground. At first he supposed that, for some reason, road and fences had come to an abrupt ending; then he discovered that he merely walked higher above the natural level. The thought came to him that if here he should break his snow-shoes there

would not even be the neighboring fence-top on which to perch and Suddenly all his attention was concentrated upon a dark something, like a bit of cloth fallen in the snow. As he came close and touched the cloth he found it to be the covering of a basket almost buried; pushing away the snowcrusted covering and feeling with eager fingers among the icy contents, he quickly knew that this was no other. than the stolen silver of which he was in quest. A thrill of gratitude to For-

snow; the whole form had sunk by its own heat into a cavity like a grave. Courthope lifted the head; the face was that of the man whom he had seen yesterday upon the river. The arms, when he raised them, fell again to the anow like lead, yet he perceived that life was not extinct. Even in the frost the odor or rum was to be perceived, and breath, although so feeble as to be unseen, still passed in and out of the tightly-drawn nostrils. The touch In a moment he was glad of this, for, that would have been reverent to a

corpse was now rough. He shook the fallen man and shouted. He raised him to a sitting posture, but finding were embedded to the very shoulder that, standing as he did upon soft straight down in the snow that offered snow, to lift him was impossible, he laid him again in the self-made grave, That posture at least would be most conducive to the continued motion of

Standing upon the other side of the body, Courthope's shoe struck upon another hard object which he found to be a case, stolen locked as it was, which What cursed temerity had made him contained, no doubt, the other valuables whose loss Madge had first discovered. The wretch, weighed by a burden in each hand, had apparently Fool, indeed, had he been to suppose missed his way when endeavoring to return to the shed in which he had left his horse, and wandering in circles, perhaps for hours, had evidently suc-By degrees he got himself up, but as in a trap by the unusual violence

ersed yesterday. Sometimes the fences at the side of the road were wholly hidden, more often they showed the top of their posts or upper bar; somethey expressed. Madge especially was moral severity in her words and de-

Courthope explained to her that the other man was dying in the snow, that

stabled here, and neglected because the shriek at this time had more the tone ency gives you, and try to reform beroads were impassable; then he judged of a child's anger than of a woman's fore you have lost your reputation as that so slight a shed could not be in- fear. With a strong sense of humor well as your character." he sat down at the table, and she, "It is very kind of you," he mur-

"Viper in the bosom!" said Eliz.

crust of frost, yielded easily. He 'give,' and sucking blood from the her greater scorn. "Let be," his heart "Sir Charles Grandison would never confuse her further to-day." he had frequently seen, a mere plat- have kicked a man when he was

of a gentlemanly villain who went about without collar and cuffs, and the nearest village, became voluble as had not been allowed socess to his soon as he was within speaking dis-

"A striped jacket and shaved head English, but so quickly and with so hair-brush." is generally what he goes about in after he's unmasked. If I had been Madge I would not have let you off." "Come, remember how sorry Elizabeth Bennett was when she found she had given way to prejudice. If I re-

member right she lay awake many 'Are you adding insult to injury by lay, and, looking down upon him, nights." insinuating that either of us might be- Madge gave a little cry.

stow upon you-" suggest that a young lady possessing notary's clerk or a country chemist. lively talents and 'remarkably fine He did not seem surprised to see who eyes' might yet make great mistakes the man was. He began at once with in her estimate of the masculine char- great activity to chafe his hands and

The cripple, who perhaps had never Madge and Morin were also active before heard her one beautiful feature with the restoratives. The thief was in the Revolutionary war, acter." praised by masculine lips, was obliged lifted and laid upon the toboggan. "Accomplished wretch!" she cried in that nothing remained, and found only to harden herself.

accents worthy of an irate Pamela. "Do you suppose it was the last time of rum. They were all so busy that was serving my term in gaol that Courthope had little to do; he stood I read our favorite novels?" he asked. aside, wondering above all at the way half of the members are trustees. By this time Morin had passed out of they rubbed the man with the smow, hte door to put on his snow-shoes, and and at the astonishment that Madge Courthope, who had swallowed only expressed. The stranger was very nimas much food as was necessary to keep ble and very talkative; pouring out him from starvation, turned out to words now in French to Madge, he repeat the process of putting on his, walked with her in all haste to the

Morin had a toboggan upon which whimnied. Morin, awakening to this time more deftly. were piled such necessaries as Madge sense of urgency, started at a trot, had collected. They began their dragging the toboggan behind him; it march three abreast into the storm. They went a long way without con- hope lent a hand to the loop of rope this march keen enjoyment. His heart sayed the trot of the Canadian. He

was absurdly light. To have per- was growing proficient, and if he did formed so considerable a service for not succeed in keeping up the running the track, saving his life. Madge, now to be walking beside her pace, he managed to go more quickly passed through his mind before his eye joy as the present hour could hold.

passed through his mind before his eye joy as the present hour could hold.

Joy as was the pleasure of the athlete in having acquired a new mastery over his ing acquired a new mastery over his they helped it to make its way. They the defendant. beyond. He saw now that a man was

muscles; and the fascination of being were still some distance behind when at home in the sturf, which is the chief at home in the sturf, which is the chief element of delight in all winter sports, into the kitchen amid wild exclamation who was almost tions from the Morin women. As they don't having been paid for fish by Abdraucker was almost to the kitchen amid wild exclamation. As they almost the man carried kavier was carried months than ever before more than \$80,drunken wretch who was almost all continued the work of restoring erdeen buyers since the beginning of frozen he felt small sympathy, but he him with a hearty good-will and an ex- last August. had the sense that all modern men have on such occasions, that he ought to be concerned, which kept him grave.

gan behind him and walking with his grey head bent forward to the gale, free with his own possessions. was sullen at being driven in the service of thieves; afraid lest some sinister design was still intended, he cast constant glances of cunning suspicion at Courthope. As for Madge, she aphe feared, from the pain of her first mind about that girl." "And now?" erville, Me., drove to a lodge meeting disillusionment. This was a suffering that he was hardly in a position to mind." that she was pondering over the prob-lem of her next responsibility, and the lem of her next responsibility, and the ways get broken. evidence of this came sooner than he

had expected. When they got to the place where shed, she and Morin stopped to ex- into bankruptcy. his first track diverged straight to the ceived in this the clearest evidence of all against him. Had he not gone engagement secret?" Singerly—"I had cumbed to drink and to cold, caught change remarks; they evidently perstraight to the place where the accom- to tell the girl hadn't I?" got the snow-shoes put on again, and and, lifting the handles of basket and Madge fell back a little to where he by the pathetric scenes of a play. Is by the pathetric scenes of a play. Is by the pathetric scenes of a play. It filled twenty cars and will supply the handles of the hole which he had case in either hand, Courthope doubled where he case in either hand, Courthope doubled which he had case in either hand, Courthope doubled where he case in either hand, Courthope doubled which he had case in either hand.

very grave, with a strong flavor of she so tenderly cherished. It was second nature to her to act as she fancied "There are many more women living posed himself to receive the judicial "Yes. Before I married I used to think looking forward to an unusually heavy admnition with becoming humility; my wife was the only woman in the run of salmon during the coming season,

to meet." upon the ground. two small moving rafts of his shoes of humanity. He described the man you to begin a life of crime, or in what house in this "I do not know, of course, what led way you found out what houses in this The shifting seasons now make due, very long. He wondered, should his At length he prevailed. Madge in- country were worth robbing, but I They'll cease to cry "You're not so show-shoes break, if he would be able sisted that if Morin did not go she fear you must have led a wicked life it would seem, looking north and south, and east and west, that he would need to let solve and the solve and west, that he would need to let solve and the s to flounder to the rim of the fence? would. In a few moments both she and for a long time," she was very severe his eye. His own approach seemed to have been heard and answered from midst of domestic activities.

Husband—"What do you want with giving you into the hands of the law. that thing? You'll never have any use that thing? You'll never have any use midst of domestic activities. within; the neigh of a horse greeted him, being in As soon as she spied him, being in thing, because others may suffer from things. him. At first he supposed that some her mouth and shricked sharply: the horses belonging to the house were her mouth and shricked sharply: the horses belonging to the house were her mouth and shrieked sharply; the take this opportunity, which my lentstabled here, and neglected because the shriek at this time had more the tone

He answered the animal's cry by realizing that he was not immediately mured again; and still as he walked erary brotherhood." "Yes," replied thought now of again denying his living." And he dashed off another beg-Courthope, almost famished, ate guilt; having denied, and, as she "Daughter of the horse-leech crying change once more would only evoke ging letter to his father.

CHAPTERVI.

sleigh that he had yesterday passed confessed and made amends, just as I the third had arisen, strong and ableupon the river, and the keen, sinister have done," Courthope went on; but have done," Courthope went on; but bodied, it was clear that they had breated with his apparent sleep and his ever a progred the little cripple. there pretending to be a gentleman!"

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The would rather be allowed to make a jerk. A room bottle, a small hoard of a better toilet if my regulation were frozen bread and bacon, a heavy a better toilet if my regulation were across the reach of the storm.

The new-comer, a messenger from tance. He addressed Madge in broken

had come to the place where the thief

They trod the snow all about to know

shed from which the horse again

sank heavily in snow so light. Court-

boast, he was glad to betake himself

(To Be Continued.)

SPRING SMILES.

It is, "Shall or shall we not

Let the furnace go out yet?"

ages of man," said the Curious

ing One. "one is enough for them."

CONDITIONS CHANGE.

"I understand you have joined the lit-

only gathered part of his errand. He ITEMS OF INTEREST ABOUT THE BUSY YANKEE. had come, it seemed, from the stepmother to tell something concerning a certain Xavier, who had been sent to

had finished calling, Madge and Morin Meighborty Interest in His Doings-Matters of Moment and Mirth Cathered from His

Daily Record. An actress who has turned evangelist "Oh! certainly not, I merely wish to as if he might be of the grade of a has been holding meetings in Topeka. a gray, wolf escaped by dodging among a flook of sheep.

Connecticut has fifty-four women who are daughters of soldiers who fought

J. E. Doughtrey of Alexandria, Va., sneezed while he was leaning back in a corkless flask containing a few drops a chair and dislocated his spine. In a coloured Baptist church of eighteen members at Catonsville, Md., nearly

Anna Moss, an aged negress of Sedalia, Mo., died of fright when caught out in a severe storm of thunder, light-

ning and hail. In Washington State the bullet from a gun accidentally discharged struck a man in the right temple and went around the skull as far as his left ear,

without seriously injuring him. As a gendarme on his way to jail with versation, and yet Courthope found in by which it was drawn. He too escrossing, the prisoner dragged him from

There is on the calendar for the our-

More fish have been shipped from

perience of which Courthope could not The Kansas Centennial wagon which to his own room, wondering whether was made at Leavenworth at a cost of he was now a thief or a gentleman in \$600 for the Philadelphia Exposition, the eyes of this small snow-bound and took first prize, has been sold at

hearted. Morin, dragging the tobog- world. There was, in any case, no one Leavenworth to a Stillingsville, Mo., at leisure to prohibit him from making farmer for \$50. Durrant, the murderer of Blanche Lamont, now awaiting his execution, which will occur June 11, has talked 135 words into a phonograph. This will be exhibited by his father after the execution. An absent-minded contractor of Wat-

walked home, passing his hitched and "You seem so cheerful when you blanketed horse at the curb, where it Bicyclists of South Knoxville, Tenn., "Quarteroak has sued a bicycle man- are to be invited to face a daily remindufacturer." What for ?" "He says the er of the nearness of the ending of all man has forced his arm chair factory things mundane, the Woodlawn Cemetery Company have decided to build a

Strawber-"Why do you think you bicycle track near the graveyard. The largest shipment of broom corn ever made from the West was sent recently from Sterling, Rice county,

"Those people next door are still in Two thousand bales of cotton were

Wess Riggs, a Southern Pacific fire-Having left behind him the skeleton forms of the trees, he was trudging across an open plain, flat almost as the surface of the lake which he had trav-

in which she had heard advice bestowed upon vagrant or criminal by the horsester that it may be possible to whiten the negro by a stowed upon vagrant or criminal by the horsester that it may be possible to whiten the negro by a because the criminal by the horsester index of the control of t the benevolent judge whose memory Billy Smith's fault. He hapnertized me cataphoresisa process which shall de-

In the far Northwest the people are

"You must know," rebuked Madge, opposite the station; but I find you ten opposite the station; but I find you ten set traps are under way.

"You must know," rebuked Madge, opposite the station; but I find you ten miles back in the country." Kansan—
"Yes: a cyclone moved as last week." "How time flies as one gets older!" Jacksonville, Fla., while sitting on a yourself in me." He kept his eyes time did not pass half so rapidly as it diamond ring. He had purchased the before to use them.

William Shenck of Pine Greve, Wis., has just escaped the monotony of never making a mistake. He has been And ask, "Is't hot enough for you?" Town Treasurer for nineteen years, and "Buy a tandetne What on earth do his only error during that time was re-

keys at every opportunity in a way to bring out certain sounds, which be seems to strive for and to like.

THE GREATEST DIVING FEAT.

Lovelace. "I am now writing for a The greatest diving feat ever at-"They always talk about the seven tempted was that of the raising of near Seal Rocks, New South Wales, "Why not the seven ages of woman?". News has been received that every box Because, my boy," replied the Knowof sovereigns that went to the bottom has been saved by the men who worked under the sea at a depth of twenty-I see that Mr. and Mrs. Newly each seven fathoms. The names of the divreached him, they saw some one comfor the fallen man; but belone the have a wheel how. That was before they were married. It seventy to seventy-five pounds to the see them together on a tandem. That was before they were married. Seventy to seventy-five pounds to the seventy to seventy t ing. The Catterthun was wrecked in Grimshaw-Well, I beat Borrowby August, 1895, while on the voyage from Askins—How in the world did you do her erew and passengers lost their lives, including brave Capt. Shannon. Grimshaw-Oh, he struck me for five The vessel's cargo consisted of produce