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"The test of selfishness is not to forget ourselves - it is to remember others." Would it not be kind to tell your friends about Blue Ribbon Beryl Tea?

LOWE'S EXILE.

"Yes." As a mark of deep friendship for me she not only let me see the envelope (preserved in a black satin case embroidered with pink silk) but flourished before my eyes the precious letter itself, a mere scrap of a note, I could see that, and not the ten-pager of your disconsolate lover.

I was seized with a great throil of impatience, and clave the top coal of the small fire viciously. She must get over this. I turned the subject for fear I should wound her feelings by some outburst of anger against Mr. Scott, who must indeed have worked sedulously to leave such a deep impression on the girl's mind.

"Well, you will have to be content with your old master's affection for the present, Babiole," said, when she had put her treasure carefully away. "Oh, Mr. Maude!" She leant lovingly against my knee.

"And if the worst comes to the worst you will have to marry me," she laughed as if this were a joke in my best manner. "Didn't your mother say anything to you about that?" I asked, as if querying on the spot.

"Babiole," blushed. "Don't talk about it," she said humbly. "I lost my temper, and spoke disrespectfully to her for the first time. I told her she ought to be ashamed of herself after all you have done for us."

Evidently she thought the idea originated with her mother, and was pressed upon me against my inclination. Seeing that I should gain nothing by deceiving her, I laughed at the matter off, and we drifted into a talk about the garden, and the group among Mr. Blair's bare-footed children at the Mill of Sterria a mile away.

According to all precedent among love-lorn maidens, Babiole ought to have got over her love malady as a child gets over the measles, or else she ought to have dwindled into "the mere shadow of her former self" and to have found a refined consolation in her beloved hills.

my impetuous young friend. You didn't expect me, for one thing, and London is a place where one must be a little more careful of one's behavior than in the wilds.

"No, that is true, I did not expect you; though when I heard your name I was so pleased I thought I must have been living on the expectation for the last month."

"Out of sight, out of mind, according to the simple old saying." I was looking about me, examining my friend's surroundings, feeling discouraged by the portraits of beautiful women, photographs on the mantelpiece, paintings on the walls, the invitation cards stuck in the looking-glass, the crested envelopes, freshly torn, on the table; the room, which seemed so eminently expensive, after my sombre, threadbare old study, gave no evidence of bachelor desolation. It was just untidy enough to prove that "when a man's single life is a little more care for an opera hat and a soft glove, but the chair a new French picture, which a wife would have tabooed, was propped up against the back of another, on the mantelpiece was a royal anemone, a vase of flowers, a couple of pink clay statuettes of pierrettes, by Van der Straeten, showed their pliant, high-hatted, little heads, and their brille, high-lifted, little skirts for the last month."

"Babiole, tell me, on your word of honor, are you thinking about that man still?" "I could hear her breath coming in quick sobs. Then she moved, and her fingers held out something right under my averted eyes. It was the one note she had received from Fabian Scott, worn into four little pieces. "Look here, dear," I said, having signified by a head of the head that I understood, "do you think a man like that would be likely to make a good husband?"

"Oh no," readily and sadly. "But you would be his wife for the same?" "Oh, Mr. Maude!" in a low trembling voice, as if Paradise had been suddenly thrown open to mortal sight. "I got up."

"Well, well," I said, trying to speak in a jesting tone, "I suppose these things will be explained in a better world?" Mrs. Elmer came in at that moment, and the leave-taking for the day was easier. "Won't you stay and lunch with us, Mr. Maude? I've just been preparing something nice for you," she said with disappointment. "Thank you, no, I can't stay this morning. The fact is, I have to start for London this afternoon, and I haven't a minute to lose."

"Babiole started, and her eyes, as I turned to her to shake hands, shone like stars. "Good-bye, Mr. Maude," she faltered, taking my hand in both hers, and pressing it feverishly. And she looked into my face, with out any inquiry in her gaze, but with a subdued hope and a boundless gratitude.

Mrs. Elmer insisted on coming over to the house to see that everything was properly packed for me. As I left, she caught with her I looked back, and saw the little face, with its weird expression of eagerness, pressed against the window. "It was an awful thing I was going to do, certainly. But what sacrifice would not the worst of us make to preserve the creature we love best in the world from dying before our eyes?"

CHAPTER XVII. I arrived at King's Cross at 8.15 on the following morning, and after breakfast, at the Midland Hotel, went straight to Fabian Scott's chambers, in a street off the Haymarket. It was then a little after half-past ten. Fabian, who was at breakfast, received me very heartily and was glad that I had not come direct to him. "What would you have said, if I had gone to the Invercauld Arms in Balgair, instead of coming on to you?" "That's not quite the same thing."

HOW TO AVOID POTATO ROT.

If potato growers could only be led to realize that late potato blight or rot cannot be cured, but can be prevented, they would use Bordeaux mixture more freely than they do. It is quite true that the late blight is not an annual visitor, nevertheless no one can prophesy when it will put in an unwelcome appearance. After it makes its presence visible by the leaves turning brown and drying up it is too late to save the crop, for fungicides are only preventives, and not remedies. It does little if any good to apply them after the disease appears, and the spraying must be done before it can be known whether or not an outbreak will occur. Thus it is that if the blight does not appear the money spent in spraying appears to have been thrown away. Experiments not only in Canada but in the United States have demonstrated that

Spraying is Profitable whether the late blight prevail or not. The early blight is almost certain to appear, unless prevented, and its damage, not so noticeable in any one season, as that of the late blight, yet fully as great in the aggregate, may be almost wholly avoided by spraying. This disease causes the brown dead spots on the leaves, which are marked by concentric rings, and which sometimes affect so much of the leaf surface that the nutrition of the plant is seriously checked. For this disease, as for the late blight, Bordeaux mixture is an all-around perfect preventive. Its protective power would probably be complete could each leaf be entirely coated with a thin layer of the deposited lime and copper sulphate, but the spores of the disease could then not find any vulnerable point. The nearer this complete coating is obtained the more perfect will be the protection, and it can only be secured by spraying carefully with a fine nozzle.

The Mixture Used While Bordeaux mixture is not poisonous to insects it is very distasteful to them, and Paris Green combined with it can be more evenly distributed by the sprayer than in any other way. The lime in the Bordeaux mixture will cause the plants to adhere to the leaves so that its protective influence is thus strengthened and the period of its efficacy prolonged. Flea beetles as well as the ordinary potato beetles can then scarcely attack the leaves without being poisoned; and applied with the Bordeaux mixture Paris Green will not burn the foliage as it sometimes does when applied as a dry powder, or when simply mixed with water. Many authorities, too, believe that the Bordeaux mixture itself exerts a favorable influence upon potato foliage not due to its effect upon diseases or insects. These reasons combine in favor of using it on potatoes; and in the experiments made, the application of

Bordeaux mixture and Paris Green were profitable, even in a season when fungous diseases were scarcely noticeable. How to Compound it. The Bordeaux mixture for use in potatoes should be made as follows: Take six pounds of copper sulphate (blue vitriol) and tie it up in pieces of thin cloth in an ordinary salt bag will answer well—then suspend it from a stick laid across the top of a coal oil or other barrel half filled with clean water, so that the bag may be just beneath the surface of the water, when the copper sulphate will dissolve in an hour or two. In another vessel sufficient water to make a thin whitewash. Strain this through a fine sieve or sack to remove all lumps. When the copper sulphate has all dissolved, pour the lime wash into a barrel slowly, stirring the mixture all the time. Now fill up the barrel to the top with water, and the mixture is ready for use. To apply this mixture to the foliage the best and cheapest way is to use a proper spraying nozzle; but if these be not on hand good results which will well repay the trouble may be obtained by applying the mixture with watering cans supplied with fine noses. Use Paris Green With it. A great advantage of this mixture is that Paris Green, the only practical remedy for the Colorado potato beetle, can be applied at the same time. To do this Dr. James Fletcher, the Dominion Entomologist, advises mixing from a quarter to half a pound of Paris green with which renders the poison of exactly the same strength as when used with plain water. These mixtures must be kept constantly stirred while being used, as both the lime in the Bordeaux mixture and the Paris green quickly sink to the bottom of any mixture if left undisturbed. The Bordeaux mixture is a preventive remedy, and the time to apply it in any locality is just before the blights treated of usually appear there, the object being to keep the plants during the whole of the time from being attacked by the Colorado beetle, which renders the poison of exactly the same strength as when used with plain water. The early blight in Ontario and Quebec generally appears at the end of June or the beginning of July. The late blight or potato rot in most parts of Canada seldom shows itself until August, spraying should, therefore, be begun early in July, and be repeated every two weeks at least until the second week in September. The applications of Bordeaux mixture and Paris green may suffice for experiments showing in plots sprayed three times as much as 52 bushels more per acre of merchantable potatoes than in the unsprayed plots; and in those sprayed five times 82 bushels more to the acre than in the unsprayed. Department of Agriculture, Ottawa.

CURED HIM OF GAMBLING.

To those who imagine that at Monte Carlo the gambling always goes systematically against the players, and that their gold flows unceasingly into the coffers of the bank, it will seem difficult to believe that sometimes the bank's accounts show a deficit for months together. Only two years ago, at the Casino of St. Petersburg, the financial year, the bank's books showed a loss of over \$1,000,000, an average deficit of \$100,000 a month, which fortunate gamblers had put into their pockets. The year of course, was exceptional, and this spell of bad luck was followed by two succeeding months of the year the deficit was completely wiped out, and a profit of \$5,000,000 was made in its place. But, of course, money is not always changing hands at Monte Carlo at this appalling rate for every day of the year. The bank's profits roughly 40 per cent. goes to the maintenance of the Casino and of the Prince and Principality of Monaco. The Prince takes \$250,000 a year for himself and \$100,000 for his army, and the courts and expenses of government; \$450,000 goes in grants to bishop, clergy, convents and schools; \$300,000 to charities, and \$55,000 in prizes for entertainments, such as pigeon shooting. The salaries of the directors, inspectors, croupiers and staff of the Casino absorb \$400,000 a year; terraces and gardens, \$45,000; subventions to the press, \$100,000; and grants to private agents and pensioners, \$50,000. But after these and other deductions there is a comfortable balance of over \$2,500,000 a year available for dividends.

THE MODERN MOTHER.

Has Ways of Caring for Baby that Our Grandmothers Never Knew. Many almost sacred traditions of the nursery have been cast aside by the up-to-date mother. Even the once essential cradle is now seldom found in the house of a modern mother. The modern baby is not fed every time he cries, but when the clock announces the proper time. The doctor approves of this and baby is better for it, but despite sugar hoops for feeding, nearly all the disorders of infants are caused by derangements of the stomach and bowels. Mothers' greatest problem is a treatment for these ills that will be gentle but effective, and, above all, safe. Mrs. J. W. Bailey, of Head Lake, Ont., writes from the fullness of experience when she says: "I have used Baby's Own Tablets for my six months' old baby who was troubled with indigestion. The results were beyond my expectations. Words cannot convey to those who have not tried them the worth of these Tablets. I will never again use any other preparation for the baby, as I am convinced there is nothing so good as Baby's Own Tablets."

These Tablets are a gentle laxative and comforting medicine for infants and children. They are pleasant to take and are guaranteed to contain no opium or any other harmful drug. Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont., or Schenectady, N. Y., and a full sized box will be mailed, postpaid, to your address.

How Girls Walk.

And tell me, Amy, why do not girls walk better than they do? They have left off all the old vices of stooping over embroidery, staying indoors when it is bad weather, and excessive sewing. They play outdoor games and inhale at least a hundred per cent. more fresh air than did their mothers and grandmothers when they were girls. So why do they not walk better? Is it for lack of drill? Or do you set it down to the old account—viz, generations of tight-laced, tight-shod feminine progenitors? It is quite rare to see a girl with chest well forward, shoulders flat, head erect but chin well in, walking with a light, free step from the hip. Most of those we see either tramp along or shuffle. Why?—London Truth.

QUESTIONS OF ETIQUETTE.

Will you please help me with regard to a house wedding? My husband and I are invited to attend the wedding of a friend; it is to be at the house, and there is a reception and wedding breakfast after? Must I leave cards with the bride and how many? The lady has both mother and father, and she is quite a friend of mine. Do the ushers, if there are any, lead one up to the bride? Would it be bad form to kiss her as she enters the house as guests? In leaving the house it is necessary to shake hands while saying goodby, supposing there are many mutual friends, or can I just bow to them and shake hands with the hostess? The same at a dinner party of about ten people; surely it is not necessary to shake hands with everyone. Cards should be left at the reception if the guests will undoubtedly be a tray or plate for cards in the hall. Two of your own and two of your husband's cards are sufficient to leave. The ushers are expected to escort the guests to the bride and groom at the reception. If the bride is an intimate friend it will be quite correct for you to kiss her. It is not necessary to shake hands excepting with the hostess when saying goodby. An informal note will suffice for the invitation. If the entertainment is to be merely for a few intimate friends: "My dear Louise: Will you kindly give me the pleasure of your company Thursday evening for a farewell entertainment. I am giving to a few of my girl friends, before my wedding next week? Hoping you have no engagements for that evening, and that I may count on your being present, affectionately, Anabel," is quite formal enough for such a note. What is the proper interval between a first call and its return? How frequently should calls be made? When a lady meets another accompanied by a gentleman unknown to her does she recognize him at all in any conversation that may ensue? When a girl receives an introduction to another and subsequently knows the husband of the second lady by sight may an introduction be taken for granted if the parties are mutually known by sight? Enquirer.

Mr. Goodman—I understand you were at that prize fight last night. I'm surprised to hear of you attending such a disgraceful affair. Sportboy—it was disgraceful, sure enough. Why, neither of those big butts could it hard enough to dent either. "I have one fad of the elite set," remarked the scraggy goat, as he removed the root beer advertisement from the wall. "What is that?" asked the tramp cat. "Poeter collecting."