

SEE LOVES AND LIES.

By WILKIE COLLINS.

CHAPTER III. The gentleman who had so urgently requested an interview was a devoted friend—who had obtained a means of helping Ernest at a serious crisis in his affairs.

It had been truly reported that he was in a position of pecuniary embarrassment, owing to the failure of a mercantile house with which he had been intimately connected. Whispers affecting his own solvency had followed on the bankruptcy of the firm. He had already endeavored to obtain advances of money on the usual conditions, and had been met by excuses for delay.

Looking at the letter, Ernest observed that the envelope was sealed. In spite of that ominous innovation on established usage, in cases of personal introduction, he presented the letter. On this occasion, he was not put off with excuses. The capitalist flatly declined to discount Mr. Lisimore's bills, unless they were backed by responsible names.

Ernest made a last effort. He applied for help to two mercantile men whom he had assisted in their difficulties, and whose names would have satisfied the money-lender. They were most sincerely sorry—but they too refused.

The one security that he could offer was open, it must be owned, to serious objections on the score of risk. He wanted an advance of twenty thousand pounds, secured on a homeward-bound ship and cargo.

But the vessel was not insured; and, at that stormy season, was already more than a month overdue. Could grateful colleagues be blamed if they forgot their obligations when they were asked to offer pecuniary help to a merchant in this situation? Ernest returned to his office, without money and without credit.

A man threatened by ruin is in no state of mind to keep an engagement at a lady's tea-table. Ernest sent a letter of apology to Mrs. Callender, alleging extreme pressure of business as the excuse for breaking his engagement.

"Am I to wait for an answer, sir?" the messenger asked.

"No; you are merely to leave the letter."

CHAPTER IV. In an hour's time—to Ernest's astonishment—the messenger returned with a reply.

"The lady was just going out, sir, when I rang at the door," he explained, "and she took the letter from me herself. She didn't appear to know your hand-writing, and she asked me who I came from. As soon as I told her I was ordered to wait."

Ernest opened the letter.

"DEAR MR. LISIMORE—One of us must speak out, and your letter of apology forces me to be that one. If you are really so proud and distrustful as you seem to be, I shall offend you. If not, I shall prove myself to be your friend."

Your excuse is a pretence of business. The truth—as I have good reason to believe—is want of money. I heard a stranger, at that public meeting, say that you were seriously embarrassed by some failure in the city. Let me tell you that my own pecuniary position is in two words, I am the childless widow of a rich man—

Ernest paused. His anticipated discovery of Mrs. Callender's "charming daughter" was in his mind for the moment.

"That little romance must return to the world of dreams," he thought, and went on with the letter.

"After what I owe to you, I don't regard it as repaying an obligation—I consider myself as merely performing a duty when I offer to assist you by a loan of money. Wait a little before you throw my letter into the wastepaper-basket."

Circumstances—which it is impossible for me to mention before we meet—put it out of my power to help you, unless I attach to my most sincere offer a service a very unusual and very embarrassing condition. If you are on the brink of ruin, that misfortune will plead my excuse, and your excuse, too, if you accept the loan on my terms. In any case, I rely on the sympathy and forbearance of the man to whom I owe my life.

After what I have now written, there is only one thing to add. I beg to decline accepting your excuses, and I shall expect to see you to-morrow evening, as arranged. I am an obstinate old woman, but I am also your faithful friend and servant.

MARY CALLENDER.

Ernest looked up from the letter.

"What can this possibly mean?" he wondered.

But he was too sensible a man to be content with wondering—he decided on keeping his engagement.

CHAPTER V. What Dr. Johnson called "the insolence of wealth" appears far more frequently in the houses of the rich than in the manners of the poor. The reason is plain enough. Personal ostentation is, in the very nature of it, ridiculous. But the ostentation which exhibits magnificent pictures, priceless china and splendid furniture, can produce good taste to guide it, and can assert itself without offering the smallest opportunity for a word of depreciation or a look of contempt. If I am worth a million of money, and if I am dying to show it, I don't ask you to look at me—I ask you to look at my house.

Keeping his engagement with Mrs. Callender, Ernest discovered that riches might be lavishly and yet modestly used.

In crossing the hall and ascending the stairs, look where he might, his notice was insensibly won by the proofs of the taste which is not to be purchased, and the wealth which uses but never exhibits its purse.

Conducted by a man-servant to the landing on the first floor, he found a maid at the door of the boudoir, waiting to announce him. Mrs. Callender advanced to welcome her guest, in a simple evening dress perfectly suited to her age. All that had looked worn and faded in her fine face by daylight, was now softly obscured by shaded lamps.

Objects of beauty surrounded her, which glowed with subdued radiance from their background of sober color. The influence of appearances is the strongest of all outward influences

while it lasts. For the moment, the scene produced its impression on Ernest, in spite of the terrible anxieties which consumed him.

Mrs. Callender, in his office, was a woman who had stepped out of her appropriate sphere. Mrs. Callender, in her own house, was a woman who had risen to a new place in his estimation.

"I am afraid you don't thank me for forcing you to keep your engagement," she said, in her friendly tones and with her pleasant smile.

"Indeed, I do thank you," he replied. "Your beautiful house and your gracious welcome have persuaded me in forgetting my troubles—for a while."

The smile passed away from her face. "Then it is true?" she said, gravely. "Only too true."

She led him to a seat beside her, and waited to speak again until her maid had brought in the tea.

"Have you read my letter in the same friendly spirit in which I wrote it?" she asked, when they were alone again.

"I have read your letter gratefully, but—"

"But you don't know what I have to say. Let us understand each other before we make any objections on either side. Will you tell me what your present position is—at its worst? I can and will speak plainly when my turn comes, if you will honor me with your confidence. Not if it distresses you," she added, observing him attentively.

He was ashamed of hesitation, and he made attempts for it.

"Do you thoroughly understand me?" he asked, when the whole truth had been laid before her without reserve.

She summed up the result in her own words: "If your overdraft returns safely within a month from this time, you can borrow the money you want without any difficulty. If the ship is lost you have no alternative, when the loan from me, or to suspend payment. Is that the hard truth?"

"It is."

"And the sum you require is twenty thousand pounds?"

"Yes."

"I have twenty times as much money as that, Mr. Lisimore, at my sole disposal, on one condition."

"The condition alluded to in your letter?"

"Yes."

"Does the fulfilment of the condition depend in some way on any decision of mine?"

"It depends entirely on you."

That answer closed his lips.

With a composed manner and a steady hand she poured herself out a cup of tea.

"I conceal it from you," she said, "but I want confidence. Here"—she pointed to the cup—"is the friend of women, rich or poor, when they are in trouble. What I have now to say obliges me to speak in praise of myself. I don't like it—let me get it over as soon as I can. My husband was very fond of me; he had the most absolute confidence in my discretion and in my sense of duty to him and to myself. His last words, before he died, were words that thanked me again for making the happiness of his life. As soon as I had in some degree recovered, after the affliction that had fallen on me, his lawyer and executor produced a copy of his will, and said there were two clauses in it which my husband had expressed a wish that I should read. It is needless to say that I obeyed."

She still controlled her agitation, but she was now unable to conceal it.

Ernest made an attempt to spare her.

"Am I concerned in this?" he asked.

"Yes. Before I tell you why, I want to know what you would do in a certain case which I am unwilling even to suppose. I have heard of men, who began business again and succeeded, and in course of time paid their creditors."

"And you want to know if there is any likelihood of my following their example," he said. "Have you also heard of men who have made that second effort—who have failed again—and who have doubled the debts they owed to their brethren in business who trusted them? I knew one of those men myself. He committed suicide."

She laid her hand for a moment on his.

"I understand you," she said. "If ruin comes—"

"If ruin comes," he interposed, "a man without money and without credit can make but one last atonement. Don't speak of it now."

She looked at him with horror.

"I don't mean that," she said. "I mean that you will go back to what you read in the will?" he suggested.

"Yes, if you will give me a minute to compose myself."

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Every Spring. HOW AN AFFLICTING ANNIHILATOR VISITOR DRIVEN FROM A WEARY WOMAN. Plain and simple mechanics are not liable to get out of order. Complicated watches, intended not only to keep the time of day, but to mark the movements of the moon and stars, are certain to need frequent repairs. Husbands and fathers often fail to see that their wives and daughters are more delicately organized than themselves, requiring corresponding care when they are well and assistance when they are ill. Yet much better for woman's fine system is a trustworthy medicine, ready at all times for use, than a deal of tinkering by semi-educated local practitioners.

Friends and Friendship.

"The friend who works for his friend works also for himself."

"He that is thy friend indeed He will help thee at thy need."

"I love my friend, and my friend loves me."

"Fall not out with a friend for a trifle."

"A good friend is a gift of God."

"Judge a man by his friends."

"A friend's neck 'er ken't till he's needed."

"Love your friend with his faults."

"Friends are best known in distress."

"Friendship is a sheltering tree."

"Health to my friend and many a cheerful day."

"Old friends and old wine are the best."

"Here's the joy; I and my friends are one."

"The thread of our life would be dark heaven knows, if it were not with friendship and love intertwined."

"When friends meet, hearts warm."

"We can live without our kin, but not without our neighbors."

"Be to my faults a little blind, and to my virtues very kind."

"They're queer folk that has nae fail-ins."

The Bad and Worthless

are never imitated or counterfeited. This is especially true of a family medicine, and it is positive proof that the remedy imitated is of the highest value. As soon as it had been tested, and proved by the whole world that Hop Bitters was the purest, best and most valuable family medicine on earth, many imitations sprang up and began to steal the notices in which the press and the people of the country had expressed the merits of H. B., and in every way trying to induce suffering invalids to use their stuff instead, expecting to make money on the credit and good name of H. B. Many other started nostrums put up in similar style to H. B., with variously devised names in which the word "Hop" or "Hops" were used in a way to induce people to believe they were the same as Hop Bitters. All such pretended remedies or cures, no matter what their style or name is, and especially those with the word "Hop" or "Hops" in their name or in any way connected with them or their name, are imitations or counterfeits. Beware of them. Touch none of them. Use nothing but genuine Hop Bitters, with a branch or cluster of green Hops on the white label. Trust nothing else. Druggists and dealers are warned against dealing in imitations or counterfeits.

Gratitude is a means of grace. Many a mortal would be consoled in his mere annoyances could he get a glimpse of the real trouble from which God saves him; others in comparatively slight afflictions would cease murmuring could they realize the heart-break that abides with some one else. There is always firm ground for thanksgiving to God for deliverance from that always possible greater trouble.

"In such a world Where none find happiness unlighted It seems the better part to measure lots With less distinguished than our own, that thus We may with patience bear our moderate ills, And sympathize with others suffering more."

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