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(Continued.)

CHAPTER VII.

Love and Lies.

Madame was sitting fully dressed in an arm-chair, her eyes big with anger and amazement. She stared at him for a full minute, quite unable to realize the meaning of it all, scarcely able to believe that it was Cressingham who stood there looking at her so guiltily.

"Where am I?" she whispered at last. "The ghost of a smile flickered over his lips. "In my chair, Katherine."

"Ah—this is your room, then! Was it you who carried me off?"

The man had not yet formulated a plan of action, and was at a dead loss to explain. "One moment," he whispered, having heard a knock at his outer door.

He hurried out, and took a quick absurd time in dismissing his servant, giving the fellow half a year's wages in advance.

Even after the man had departed he lingered, desperately racking his brains for an idea, but Percigord's promised servant arrived and he was still befogged.

The new laquay was a dapper little Frenchman, exquisitely dressed, very sharp faced, and active as a cat upon his dainty little feet. He was already fully seized of his duties, and had brought with him a basket of eatables, which he immediately proceeded to arrange upon a tray.

"Madame and you, my Lord, will be hungry," he remarked. Cressingham determined to seek his advice.

"I don't know your name—"

"Guillaume Bellair, Monseigneur."

"Well, Bellair, the fact is I don't know what the deuce to say to Madame. She is awake, and has demanded an explanation."

Bellair shrugged his shoulders. "Monsieur, my Lord, shall carry to Madame her breakfast?"

"No, give it to me."

"Take my advice, my Lord, and breakfast with Madame."

Cressingham gave the man a haughty look and bore the tray into the inner room.

The Countess was as he had left her, a little more imperious perhaps.

"Really, Frank, I am very patient, but my fortitude has a limit. Have I been forcibly abducted and delayed from going to my dying father's bedside, I demand to know at once the reason of such an outrage and to be immediately released."

"Eat some breakfast first, Kate, to please me."

"It would choke me, besides I—Answer me!"

"Well then, if you must," Cressingham stared desperately at the window. "A couple of hours after you left me last night, or rather this morning, a man brought you here, carried by two women—his servants. Of course, I was very surprised, but he made no sign—I ought to

know him at all. He is at the keyhole now trying to see and to listen!"

Cressingham caught up a towel and flung it over the knob. "At any rate we can block him there!" he muttered, frowning himself, for no man likes being spied on.

Madame clasped her hands. "I see the whole plot," she muttered; "that fellow has a bomb and soon, perhaps, he will fix it to destroy us and escape himself!"

Her terror was so evidently unaffected that Cressingham felt it his duty to soothe her.

"I can relieve your mind as to that," he said. "The man has brought nothing with him, neither bag nor baggage, and his master ordered him not to leave the room on any pretext whatever until he came himself to carry you away."

"But why, why would he bring me here?"

"I don't know; perhaps you've mistaken the man, Kate, and it may not be the one you think. Ah, his voice! it comes to me now. He spoke to me in broken English, and so huskily one could hardly understand him—but to the man out there he spoke in fluent Russian."

Madame's face began to look dead.

"One thing," she whispered suddenly, surely you must have noticed, was the stout build and did he roll his r's, tremendously?"

"Yes."

"It's Kaputsky, then. What can it all mean? I only got a cable from him yesterday."

"Perhaps the cable was a mistake."

"Ah, or a forgery. My heaven! could Percigord have sent it?"

"Who is Kaputsky—who is Percigord?" demanded Cressingham with a splendid assumption of jealous impatience. "It seems to me, Kate, that you have a lot of secrets."

"Kaputsky is a friend, one high in office; the other is a bitter enemy of our society. Let me think! There is a reason in all this. I almost commence to see. Perhaps my abduction has been planned. Percigord grows more daring every day, they say. It is true that I have been warned quite often lately. At any rate, we are safe since it is not that other. Something grave must have happened, though, for Kaputsky to take this step; some great danger must have threatened, and he has adopted this high-handed plan of saving me, knowing how obstinate I am at times. That must be it, yes, that must be it. Ah, how I wish I knew! Tell me, Frank, what were the women like who carried me?"

"Foreigners both" (Madame's maid was English); "Germans, I think, or Austrians. They were dressed in black, and seemed pretty plain and middle-aged. I did not notice anything else; indeed, I saw them only for a second as they left immediately they had disposed of you."

"I wonder what they did with my servants; ah, I remembered the footman put the chloroform in my face. He must be one of us."

"Very likely; at any rate you can be sure that your friend, Kaputsky, would know how to avoid publicity in the affair. Well, I suppose all we can do is wait. What about breakfast, Kate?"

"A good idea!" Madame prepared to eat. The viands had grown cold in their dispute, but both were hungry and inclined as well to appreciate the two small bottles of sweet champagne which Bellair's thoughtfulness had provided. The meal was quite a bright affair, for Madame's fears had been dissipated and Cressingham was entirely contented with the manner in which an ugly situation had been settled. Afterwards Madame reminded him that the spy outside must be considered, and proposed that Cressingham agreed with her and departed.

Madame had not offered once to kiss him; indeed he had never found her so cold, and felt piqued to understand the reason.

(To be continued.)

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BRIDGE WHIST AT

THE NEPTUNE CLUB

In the rooms of the Neptune Rowing Club last night a very successful and entertaining bridge whist tournament was enjoyed by members and their friends. There were 60 players and the contest, which opened about 8.30 o'clock was not brought to a close until nearly midnight. Then came the serving of dainty refreshments and enjoyment of a social half hour, in which the play was discussed. The prize winners were Robert S. Ritchie, 1st, briar pipe, 702 points; A. L. Fowler, 2nd, set of razors, 694 points; Horace Porter, 3rd, fountain pen. Mr. Fowler and Mr. Porter tied for second place and drew for the prize. Mr. Fowler winning. John Sayre won 4th, Elwell on Bridge, 640 points.

Everybody voted the affair a huge success and all expressed themselves pleased with the manner in which the committee had carried out the arrangements. The committee was composed of Homer D. Forbes, chairman; F. A. Kinney, C. S. Everett, E. E. Church and Roy Crawford. The next feature of the winter programme of the club will be their annual billiard tournament, which will begin on Monday evening next. This tournament is expected to come fully up to, if not surpass the one held last winter.

Brigadier Howell, of the Salvation Army, left for Toronto last evening. Adjutant Jennings left last evening for Quebec. Brigadier Howell spent a little time in Fredericton yesterday in conference with Premier Tupper on matters relative to immigration.

CAMPAIGNERS THAT WERE

Review of the Recent Election Fight in New York and Massachusetts—Without His Wealth Hearst Would Not Have Made as Good a Fight as Moran.

(Arthur Warren in the Boston Herald.)

The vainglorious are defeated; common sense has won. The People have overcome the Peepul. But they have not overcome them as much as they might, could, would or should have overcome.

Food for thought can be extracted from the result. Again has the wisdom of abstinence from prophecy been proved.

Hearst has roared, over and over again, his certainty of winning by 200,000 votes. Moran said in one of his speeches, last Friday night: "I know I shall be Governor on January first, 1907; I am absolutely sure of it." 'Twas a wise man who said, before these candidates were born: "Never prophesy unless you know."

Moran will now have time to pursue the duties of the district attorney's office. The majority in this state has thus commanded. Moran is saved from the penalties of becoming a national figure. But Hearst is not thus disposed of. He remains what he was—a national menace. That is, what he is likely to be as long as he is active and rich. Without wealth he could never do as much as Moran has done. Enormous is the power of advertisement.

It is a costly.

Hughes' majority is a rebuke to Hearst, but the majority is not big enough to smother Hearst's political activities and ambitions. He can still print, and publish, and cry aloud—at great expense. While the funds hold out he can continue to incorporate political parties. He will not desert so long as he has financial credit, or can pay cash.

But, apart from that, great numbers of voters believe in him. He has advertised himself into their fond hearts. His defeat will not lessen their ardors. He is the best advertised nostrum of the age.

Hughes often said, during the campaign, that his own reliance upon the good sense of the people; that the people, when aroused to moral issues, are always sure to maintain the honor of the state. Well, the people have justified his belief.

All over the country the general attention has been fixed upon the New York campaign. Why? Because the issue was not a state issue merely. Hearst has been influencing a large share of the thought of the nation—depressing it, not uplifting it. The danger of him lies in the fact that so many persons in the busy world willingly take a man at his own valuation of himself. No other man has such facilities for self-advertisement and over-valuation as Hearst has; no other man has so successfully exploited the people for his own good. Some day the masses that support him will see through him, but not today.

The shortest thing in the world is the public memory. Were it otherwise no necessity would have arisen for Secretary Root's speech. A good many think there was no necessity for that speech. A good many think that the president should not have "introduced" a state election. But what a little! It was absolutely necessary that some such utterance as Root's (or the president's) should be made; that it should be made for some one who could command the attention of the country.

FREDERICTON NEWS

Normal School May be Enlarged

---W. C. T. U. Elect Officers

---More Lawyers Soon.

Fredericton, N. B., Nov. 8.—The board of education at a meeting this afternoon appointed Dr. Inch, surveyor general, a committee to report on the condition of the Normal School building and the necessity of providing better facilities to accommodate the increased number of pupils. A committee was also appointed to confer with Principal Bridges in regard to temporarily engaging a teacher to take the place of Dr. Creed, who is ill.

After hearing arguments of counsel pro and con the local government has decided and the further action will be taken at present in regard to bringing the towns Incorporation Act into force at St. Leonard and Perth. In the case of Perth legal points have been raised, which, in the opinion of the government, make it inadvisable for the sheriff to take any proceedings. In the case of St. Leonard, the government believes from evidence submitted that the sheriff would not be justified in acting upon the ratepayers' petition for incorporation. This means that the incorporation of both villages is stayed for the present.

Candidates for attorney-at-law will be sworn in before the supreme court on Saturday. Barristers will be sworn in on November 22.

The Woman's Christian Temperance Union convention this morning declared itself unanimous for uniting with Prince Edward Island, and the convention dissolved itself and became the New Brunswick and Prince Edward Island Woman's Christian Temperance Union.

This action was taken upon motion of Mrs. Bullock, seconded by Mrs. McAvity, and the election of officers for the new organization follows: President, Mrs. Gray, of Fairville; vice-president, Mrs. Johnson, of Prince Edward Island; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Asker, Campbell; recording secretary, Mrs. Herbert McDonald, Chatham; treasurer, Mrs. Carrie Robinson, Fredericton; "Y" secretary, Mrs. J. W. Myles, of St. John; auditor, Miss Sampson, Fredericton.

At this afternoon's session it was decided by resolution to invite the Dominion Union to meet in St. John next year. The convention closed this evening by the delegates joining hands and singing God be with you till we meet again.

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Men's \$12.00 Showerproof Overcoats, - \$8.00

Men's \$10.00 Canadian Tweed Suits, - \$7.48

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