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R. Cooper, corner C street.

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Tinch & Claggett, office B street.
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Geo. W. Reed, Recorder.
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Baptist, J. Fred Jenkins.
Presbyterian, J. A. Townsend.
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DENTISTS.
A. A. Mulkey, O. Dorrell brick, up stairs.
B. Johnson, Cor. Railroad & Monmouth, 1st.

DOCTORS.
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L. Ketchum, Monmouth St., near R. R.
D. Butler, opera house, up stairs.

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G. Berg, cor. C and Main street.
T. O. Cook, Whiteaker brick.

GEN'L MDSE.
Lescandor & Hirschberg, Main street.
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G. L. Hawkins, cor. Railroad and E streets.

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Valley Lodge No. 42, I. O. O. F.
Lyon Lodge No. 24, A. F. & A. M.
Homer Lodge No. 42, K. of P.
Rehman.
Woodmen.
Rebekah Degree IOOF, Clover Leaf No. 54.

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CHAPTER IV.

RAYMOND AND MANGAN DECLARE WAR.

Philip Mortimer, the registrar of arrests, was a lieutenant of Francis Raymond. Both men were lawyers. They had studied in the same office and had succeeded to the practice of their profession. There was much friendship between them. It was a sincere friendship on Mortimer's part.

Raymond had the stronger will of the two. Mortimer was completely under his control. He had lifted him up as he advanced himself, not that he desired to honor him, but that he was useful. Mortimer had such an exaggerated idea of Raymond's difficulty to place him, where so many were clamoring for preferment, that his spirit of gratitude developed into subservience, completely obliterating every quality that would interfere with the performance of any duty Raymond might impose. He had been named as registrar of arrests because it suited Raymond—that was all.

To be sure Mortimer's sister had been receiving the attentions of the political chieftain and imagined, as Mortimer did, that he was sincere. Sometimes Raymond himself thought the same, but the truth was though he might not at all times own it, that he sought Inez Mortimer's companionship as a relaxation from a life otherwise exciting. Poor Mortimer believed that Raymond's favors were partly due to the regard in which his sister was held by his political sponsor, and in this belief his devotion to Raymond steadily increased. Mortimer was a consumptive, but his work took little of his time and exacted no exertion beyond visiting Raymond at stated times and making his reports; so he was as hopeful and buoyant as consumptives, free from the other vexations of life, usually are.

Raymond occupied a house in a respectable section of the city. He could easily keep an establishment in the most aristocratic quarter, but it wasn't policy to do so. His house was luxuriously furnished and cared for by a woman whom he called his niece, and whom the world believed to bear that relation to him. She was a charming hostess. Her queenly grace and winning manners assured her the entrance to some of the best circles, and as society never questioned her standing why should we? She is nothing to us, beyond a figure exemplifying how Raymond lived.

"I'll go home, now," said Mortimer, arising.

"Wait a minute," said Raymond. "Inez is acquainted with Isabel Le-Le Clair, is she not?"

"I think I have heard her mention the name."

"Look here, Philip"—and Raymond threw the stump of his Havana into the cuspidor, locked the fingers of both hands, inclined forward, supporting his body by resting his left elbow on his knee and looking seriously at Mortimer. "There is some private business on foot in which I want the good offices of Mother St. Gertrude. Miss Le-Le Clair is influential in that quarter. I cannot see her in the convent or at school. Inez has met her socially at many places. I have frequently seen both together, and they seem to be great friends. I am very well acquainted myself with Miss Le Clair, have enjoyed her company at many parties, and she herself has told me she is enthusiastically fond of Inez. Let Inez invite her to your house, and I will there get a chance to call her aid. Tell Inez to manage this for me."

"Get your breath, man, and tell us what has happened."

"Look out for Mangan!" he gasped as he leaned forward on the library table and breathed more heavily from the effort.

The coolness of Raymond, who sat smiling, helped him to regain his composure, and he resumed:

"Mangan met us this afternoon. We were in the United States court"—a name given to a resort for city officials and politicians generally—"and the commission bill came up. He said it was a 'deal,' that the commissioners were your men, that you were at the top, middle and bottom—in fact, he used words I hate to repeat."

"Never mind repeat them. He says queer things at times. He's a peculiar character. What were his words?"

"He said you posed as a philanthropist, a patron at church entertainments of every denomination, but that you were a political serpent, a constrictor wound around every interest and institution, and crushing such as were not beneficial to you. He sounded the company, and a few the same you have mistrusted, laughed and told him he generally hit the nail on the head."

"Is that all?"

"All? No. He declared that leader, lawyer and all as you were, he meant to give you a shakeup before he left town."

"Leave town?"

"Yes. He said no more, but he said that vindictively."

"Why, I offered him the managing editorship of The Trumpet. I endeavored in every way to show friendship for him. He can have no feeling against me. If I know any one who was close to him, I would help him even now in his fresh ambition, give him financial aid to start out well, for it must be some great ambition that moves him to leave this place. Did he say when he was going?"

"Yes."

"When?"

"He said not until he exposed the inside of the commission, and he hinted that he would be greatly disappointed

ed if you were not disclosed in a new light to the people."

"Well! Well!" laughed Raymond. "Who would ever think he is such a dreamer?"

"It's not my business, of course," mildly suggested Mortimer. "But none of the land to be appraised is yours, is it?"

"My dear fellow," said Raymond, "don't worry! None of the land is mine—yet."

"It is some of the land you hold through tax sale certificates?"

"What if it is?"

"This," said Mortimer, "Some years ago you had the law passed. Property owners did not pay taxes promptly. The law as it now stands is that the property is sold at auction to private individuals just for the taxes. To redeem it, the owner must pay a bonus of 10 per cent and interest at 15 per cent, and if he fails to redeem it in 10 years the city gives a clear title to the man who purchased the land and the buildings thereon, if any, for the taxes."

"Proceed."

"Now under that law you have bought, or others have bought for you, and legally secured to you, many blocks of real estate, some of which will never be claimed. If these blocks are to be selected by the commission, Mangan will say so; he will find it out. He is a second Heller; he can see in all directions."

"It seems to me," remarked Raymond, "that you have been badly scared. You forget that under the law there is no record of those transactions in the office of the registrar of deeds in the county, where Mangan will turn for his facts. You are simply the registrar of arrears. What you know is not all a matter of official record."

"But he knows the law."

"Suppose, for the sake of argument, that he does," responded Raymond, a little nettled at Mortimer's persistence.

"Suppose, again, that the commission decides on these lands that I may have within my reach. The day after the commission reports, the legal limitations will expire and the property will be legally mine. The deed will come to me directly, or indirectly, to a trustee, most likely the latter, and no paper can say a word about it without leaving itself open to a libel suit. Everything is honest and regular. That is the law. It may not be the fact that the lands will be those that friends of mine hold, you understand? I have assumed that much, just to satisfy you. Your deputy would not talk like this."

"I assure you, Frank," for Mortimer so called him when the warmth of conversation demanded some nominative of address, "I was looking after your interests; that was all."

"I know it," was the reply, intended to convince Mortimer that the personal allusions had not undermined the confidence reposed in him.

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to be. Unconsciously she came to accept her brother's opinions and sentiments with respect to the man as her own. She looked upon him as her brother's benefactor. And had not Raymond himself, by his attentions, his compliments and references to a future where he and she stood together, made evident his own intentions with regard to her? Little did she dream that her brother was repaying Raymond a hundredfold, and that the benefit, tonight, was rendering him a service whose worth time alone could disclose, if indeed the curtain of mystery was ever to be drawn aside.

There she stood with Isabel by her side, as the guests one after another were received. Why describe that social panorama, in which these two young queens; two impressive types of beauty singled out for admiration in a hallelujah chorus of exulting forms and faces? Would it be puzzling to any one who knew Raymond's design, and would read his thoughts, to assign a reason for his own approval of the course he had resolved to pursue?

"She's a woman among a million," was his mental comment as Isabel offered him her hand, her cheeks aglow with the mild excitement of the scene.

But all things come to an end. The guests began to depart. Somehow Raymond, with his enigmastive diplomacy, had managed to engage Isabel's attention. He escorted her to an alcove invitingly embowered with all the taste of the artist's art and suggesting itself, an exotic exultation, as a respectful retreat, now that the whirl of the evening had begun to pall in its details.

"Yes, it has been a very enjoyable evening," she said in answer to a remark of Raymond. "I never met so many friends at once before."

"And I haven't had the pleasure of seeing you for months. I'm at fewer events of this nature than you."

"Yes. What is there in politics attracts you men so?"

"I can't say; some people have suggested it in the passion for power."

"Commendable, when the power is exercised for good."

"But people will not give us credit for so exercising it. It is in the political world, like the social world, the jealous and the disappointed are quick to spread scandal that originates in their own minds and has nothing but spite to feed and live upon."

"You judge the world harshly."

"Harshly! You do not know it. Even you, in whose life there is nothing of the dross, cannot escape criticism."

"Why, yes. Is it possible that you have never been annoyed by the envy that I have seen and heard—although but little in society—the envy of designing mothers?"

"That isn't so, is it?" she queried, regret and alarm starting her into an attitude that was wise.

"Never mind," said Raymond sympathetically. "It is to be expected, and their fears are proof that their judgment is better than their manners."

"You are jesting," said Isabel, surprised at his speech. "Every one knows my status here—that of one who by virtue of the courtesies of old school companions has been permitted to share in the festivities that broaden her experience and add to that sum of knowledge which for the sake of her profession she would enlarge. The friction of contending minds brightens the intellect. I am a poor teacher. Therefore to you it is unnecessary to state why I am likely never to be asked in places such as this, where wealth casts its glamour over all, to change my name to that of a family which would consider the union of one of its acions to a person out of their social kingdom as a terrible misalliance."

"Believe me, I am not jesting," said Raymond.

"As I think so, let us drop the subject."

"I do not mean to; I would like to place you beyond these people's criticism," he said slowly, with a look that was portent in its firmness, and yet so full of tenderness that Isabel hesitated until the explanation which was evidently coming could be offered in justice to him and her.

"I am prompted to talk in this vein," he said, "out of regard for one who is dear to you, I understand—Laurence Mangan. It is in my power to make him and you happy."

"Not by putting"—she began, while a flush of resentment mantled her cheeks.

"No, not by putting you apart," he interrupted, "if that is what you were going to say. Let me tell you I will bring you closer. His name is not Laurence Mangan, no more than yours is Isabel Le Clair."

Isabel was startled. She awaited in fear the words that were to follow.

"If Mangan knew it, his real name is Laurence Leland, and he is your brother." Was Raymond's next declaration.

"My brother!" she exclaimed.

"Thank God!"

"That he is?"

"No. Never mind," was her reply, her right hand, mechanically rising to her brow as if to keep her dancing brain from beating its way outward. What conflicting emotions! Gratitude that she had escaped marriage with her brother; grief that she had lost Laurence in a relation, the very thought of which had, in days gone by, awakened within her the tenderest sensations of peace and bliss. She stared blankly at Raymond. Her eyes were upon him; her spirit was in other realms, where golden memories, crystallized with ideals that must never evolve into realities, were flying before her vision, dissipating before this revelation like mist on the mountains when the morning rays break in upon them. She was thinking, too, of the truth in the poet's lines:

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Summoning all her will power to her aid, she concentrated her mind on the situation and its suggestions. Reason came back to its throne, and she asked: "How have you learned this? How do you know it is true, that his name and mine is Leland?"

Raymond was cool and collected. He had not made up his mind how he would broach the subject. He realized that he had not done it delicately, but he had anticipated the result and was prepared. If she expected to read in his face anything of that which she had long dreamed to make clear—the secret of her ancestry—she was disappointed. Not a tremor of a muscle! His look was really one calculated to give her confidence in the sincerity he professed.

"If you do not believe me to be a friend," he continued, "I will say no more about the matter. Let me assure you I thought you would be pleased to hear news you must have long yearned for. It was my great solicitude for your welfare that caused me to speak as I have, and that, too, is my apology for being so abrupt. Let me take you back."

"Stay a moment," she interposed.

"How rightly had he studied woman's nature! How often has her curiosity cost her the most priceless jewels in the circle of her worldly treasures! But in Isabel's case such might be pleaded in extenuation.

"Will you tell me all?" she asked, her arms involuntarily outstretched in abjection.

Gently he took her hands and held them in his own. He looked at her lovingly, for his heart went out to her more than it ever had to any other of her sex.

"Don't think me hard," he beseeched. "I'll tell you, but if my story makes you happy, as I know it will, can I not hope for happiness in return?"

"Are you sure that—that—Laurence is my brother?"

"As sure as I am that you are Isabel Leland."

"You could not ask me to answer now. I have never imagined this. Do not press me. I will certainly be grateful. Let me not think you anything but manly, when the recollection of your kindness will rise before me."

"This means much to Laurence—Laurence, you call him, and my friendship warrants me in using the name," continued Raymond