

His Jeweled Snuffbox

It Came Near Breaking His Engagement

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Edwin Wheaton's ancestors had always been rich. He was born and raised amid the comforts of wealth, but was deprived of them by the tenaciousness of his heart.

Mr. Wheaton's dress suit and opera hat were the only articles necessary to his maintaining the position in society to which he had been born.

Miss Twiss had noticed Mr. Wheaton's embarrassment when she had met him at the shoemaker's and divined the cause. She thought the matter over and sent a messenger to the shop, directing him to pay Mr. Wheaton's bill and take a receipt.

"That's the reason I wish it. I desire to make sure that it goes to your eldest son."

"No more 'buts,' please, but the snuffbox. If you refuse me I shall consider that you don't trust me; that you love the box better than you love me."

"You know that I love you."

"Then prove it. Go and get the box."

"But, sweetheart—darling—I can't get it before morning. Sensible of my disposition to let things slip through my fingers, I put it in a safe place."

"It is in a safe," he added.

"Who's safe?"

"One who has a deep interest in me."

"An interest of \$25. Come, Ned, I know where your snuffbox is. You pawned it to get the money you gave the woman I sent you to get a subscription for the orphan's home."

"Ned bowed his head."

"Why did you yield to her?"

"Consider the poor fatherless and motherless children."

"Then I may hope?" "Yes, you may hope." "And I may have a kiss, mayn't I?" "One little bit of a one."

Wheaton, seeing no way of retreat, advanced toward Miss Twiss and greeted her as heartily as if he were really delighted to see her.

The latter conceived the idea of turning this chance meeting in his shop to account. He saw in it a way to collect his unpaid bill against Wheaton.

Of course the note and the surplus amount went to Miss Twiss. She was very much surprised and at the same time amused. She inferred that the last article possessed by her lover, the snuffbox, had gone to pawnbrokers.

"Ned," she said when he came, "I have had a long struggle with myself about accepting you. You have been so imprudent, or, rather, so tender hearted, that everything you had has gone except your jeweled snuffbox."

"But, you know, it is an heirloom I must have time to consider the propriety of parting with it. It has been bequeathed to the eldest son of the eldest son, to go down in that line forever. Have I a right to give it to any one?"

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Woman's World

Some of Queen Mary's Social Moves Suggest She Lacks Taste.



DUCHESS OF HAMILTON

A good many people are wondering whether Queen Mary is going to merit the sobriquet of Mary the Tactless. Since she came to the throne and realized that her pet aversions, the American dollar princesses, were quite capable of taking offense and picking off with their money to some more hospitable capitals, court circles have made every effort to contradict the persistent rumor that the queen is anti-American.

For instance, Queen Alexandra had as one of her coronation canopy bearers the young and charming Duchess of Marlborough, formerly Miss Consuelo Vanderbilt of New York.

Neither the duke nor the duchess have ever forgiven this alienation of the estate, and when Lady Mary Hamilton married the Marquis of Graham, heir of the Duke of Montrose, the ancient feud seemed to be about to be revived.

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Everything indicates the pre-eminence of foulards this season, the best having diminutive designs, which are printed with startling clearness—that is, there are no blurs. A spot, however tiny, is fully revealed. A square spot is noticeably effective, and there are stripes galore, from the closely and evenly placed pin line to the most bizarre combinations.

At present the disposition is to temper the rich brocades by veilings. Thus a beautiful ivory and old gold brocade had half its glories concealed beneath a tunic of purple nylon, a tunic, however, that was split right up to the waist either side and was furthermore enhanced by a gorgeous border of bugles and mock jewels.

George Kirbyson, who was home for a few days, has gone down the river again to work at his old trade.

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WHY STOVALL'S WORK IS POOR

Cleveland's First Baseman is Peculiar Victim of Playing Base Lajale. For several seasons Cleveland fans have been asking, "What is the matter with George Stovall?"



Photo by American Press Association. GEORGE STOVALL, CLEVELAND'S FIRST BASEMAN.

sacker in the American league, and all because for a number of years he has been working beside the peerless Lajoie, who not only covered all of his own territory, but also a good portion of Stovall's.

When the last season drew to a close it was the general opinion that Sam Crawford, the Detroit American heavy hitting outfielder, was on the down grade and that this would probably be his last season in a major league.

There is no doubt that a player of Crawford's disposition would be affected by any misunderstanding he might have with a teammate, and his quarrel with Cobb undoubtedly threatened to end his days of usefulness to the Detroit club.

Fred Clarke caught ten flies in left the other day—record for the season, probably.

Davy Allizer is playing better ball at shortstop for the Cincinnati Reds than any one has since the days of Tom Corcoran when he was in his prime.

Captain Harry Davis of the Athletics has not been hitting the ball with any degree of luck this season.



Milady's Mirror

Eyelash Tonic. When sickness or the skin trouble makes the eyebrows fall the following tonic, which is also good for the lashes, may be used:

Oil of lavender..... 1/2 ounce Oil of bergamot..... 1/2 dram Oil of lemon..... 1/2 dram Tincture of ambergris..... 1 ounce White wine vinegar..... 1 pint Rectified spirits..... 1 pint

Brushful Bran Baths. Besides softening and whitening the skin, warm bran baths are soothing to nerves.

Rejuvenating Cream. If your skin is losing its original delicacy here is a cold cream which if used for a week or two on every third night will help to bring your skin back to its original texture.

Sea Bath Tonic. The sea salt water bath is much prescribed by physicians for its tonic properties and taken two or three times a week leaves a delightful sense of invigoration and freshness.

Sachets For the Hair. The girl who likes just a faint odor of perfume in her hair should not pour toilet water on it, as many do.

Working in a Glare. Working in a glare is quite as injurious to the sight as working in too dim a light, and both should be carefully avoided by all who have any consideration for their eyes.

Freckle Lotion. An old lotion for freckles is made by mixing one part of powdered borax with three parts of powdered white sugar.

Whitening the Hands. For redness of the hands beat together one ounce of clear honey, one ounce of almond oil, the juice of a lemon and the yolk of a raw egg.

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