BY MISADVENTURE

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CHAPTER V. When I got back to my office I set about drawing up Flexmore's will from the draft he had agreed to, and every

word of it gave me pleasure, for I saw that it would bring everything right in

the end. "While Lynn Yeames is doubtful as to the disposition of his uncle's property." said I to myself, "he will refrain from committing himself to an actual promise of marriage. His affair with Miss Kite will make him prudent in that respect: for he'll know very well that he won't get off a second time, if I can help it, and there'll be no uncle to pay the costs. And when he does know that his uncle has not left him a stiver, he'll drop Miss Dairymple; then Awdrey will be freed from the quixotic obligation he was lured into making, he will marry Nurse Gertrude. and all will end like a fairy story."

I was talking to myself in this strain as I proceeded to engross the will, when who should come into my office but the very person uppermost in my thoughts-Lynn Yeames.

"I have called to speak to you about the shooting, Mr. Keene," said he, offering me his hand. "I should like to rent the shooting for another month, if I can," be said.

There's no difficulty about that. Sir Bartlemy Vere is going to Scotland, and I shall be only too glad to let the shooting for him-especially as it may keep you here longer than we hoped for."

He seemed rather puzzled at my civility: he had not received much before. He looked at me keenly, could not make much by that, and then proceeded to look at his gaiters, tapping them carelessly with his

"I suppose a man could live here for a couple of hundred a year," he said. "In a quiet way, he could live on that

sum undoubtedly," said 1.

"That's all I want. I made a fortunate Investment that brings me in about two hundred. Living with my mother, who thinks of buying a cottage, I hope to settle down to a peaceful life. I feel better already with the prospect of it."

I shook his hand in cordial felicitation. though it cost me an effort to swallow the humbug, without making a wry face. But I saw suspicion in the corner of his blue

"This will be good news indeed for your uncle, Mr. Lynn," said 1.

"Do you think he takes any interest in me?" he asked, trying to look indif-

"I assure you he does. He was speaking about you only yesterday-saying how much you had changed for the better in the last fortnight. It is only natural he should feel very deeply in this matter, and watch this change in your character with keen delight. He is in failing health, you know." I twiddled my thumbs, and looked at him significantly. "You are his kinsman-remotely." I paused. "He particularly anxious about the future of his little daughter." I coughed, "And though he may have unbounded faith in my integrity, he would naturally prefer to place her welfare in the keeping of a relative who could devote himself exclusively to her interest. Up to the present time I have had the management of your uncle's estate, but of course it would be optional on his successor to employ me as agent."

"I should not wish to take it out of your hands, Mr. Keene-that is," he said quickly, seeing the mistake into which he had been led by the excitement of the moment, "if the property ever should become

"Thank you, Mr. Yeames. I'm sure I shall be most happy to serve you, as I have served your uncle, faithfully, and upon the lowest possible terms."

"I shan't question your terms, Faithful

services should be liberally rewarded, in my opinion."

I thanked him effusively, and sighed as if I had a load taken off my mind.

"Well, sir," said I, "you cannot, of course, wish me to divulge professional confidence; but I may tell you this: Your pay him for saving their lives." uncle has instructed me to draw up his will, and this is it." I laid my hand on the will. "And I may add for your further satisfaction that had your character been other than he has found it in the past fortnight, the terms of this will"-I patted the sheet impressively and dropped my voice-"would have been very different from what they are."

He was completely taken in; and so overcome with astonishment and delight to find, as he believed, that he was an heir, that for some minutes he could not command his thoughts, but simply answered yes or no to my remarks without really following what it was I talked He was thinking what he would do with that money when he got it. However, he recovered his self-possession before he left, and when we shook hands in parting, that cunning look was in his eye. I knew well enough what was in his prised to see that it produced rather a thoughts.

"You old rascal," he was saying to himmine." That was just what I wanted him to believe.

In the evening there came a couple of brace of partridges with his card attach- the effects of a country life in his coned. At the first moment I felt disposed to pitch them into the yard, but as the results of second thoughts I ate them. and found them just as good as if I had given an honest poulterer half a crown a brace for them.

CHAPTER VI. I do not know whether I am particufarly sharp in penetrating characterthough I have a decent opinion of my people are particularly obtuse; but this is a fact-Lynn Yeames succeeded in deceiving everybody but me,

He was of that class of charitable people who will give a guinea at any time to have their names in a subscription list. ing a credulous ear to empty protestano matter what the object be-and five tions. That course may lead to irremeto head it Lynn Yeames, Esq., of "The dial misfortune and lifelong unhappiness." Hur" (as with affected humility he called | This was plain enough in all conscience, women

his mother's cottage when she had bought t), was down for everything. He intersted himself in local matters, siding always with the majority; he became a nember of the County Club, bought a sorse and got admitted to the hunt; and with his good looks, manly bearing, adn rable horsemanship and skillful freeandedness, made himself generally poplar. One way and another I reckoned ie was living up to nearer eight hundred than two windred a year.

"A pretty rod you're laying in pickle or yourself my boy," said I to myself, nd chuckled to think how he would have o draw in his horns when he found that e was down in his uncle's will for a trifling legacy instead of the fifty thouand pounds he was calculating upon.

All this time he was paying assiduous ittentions to Miss Dalrymple. He saw, hough he said nothing about it to me, hat his uncle was thinking of Laure's uture, and wished to provide for her persetual association with Gertrude, and he new the hold he had on old Flexmore brough this pretended attachment to her, unning rascal!

I let him go on, conscious that he would not go too far. It was not likely hat, feeling now assured of that large theritance, he would pledge himself to narry a penniless girl. With his uncle's ortune and the effect he was now prolucing, he would be able to take the pick of the county when he wished to marry; and there were, within twenty miles, nany girls more showy than quiet, unpretentious, little Miss Dalrymple, girls with money, and much more to the taste of such a man as he. But though he would not be rash enough to actually entage himself, it was pretty certain that ae would insidiously lead my unsuspecting ittle friend to believe that he intended o marry her, and I feared that he might obtain such a hold upon her affection that when he threw up the game, as he inevitably would when he discovered that there was nothing to win by it, the effect upon her would be serious. She was not a firt : she had never cut up her heart into morsels and scattered it about amongst a rowd of admirers; her heart was whole to be given to one man, and one only. She was serious and earnest in all things, and it seemed to be possible that she might never care to give to a second man the affection that had been despised by the first. For this reason I resolved, if I got the opportunity, to shake her faith in Mr Lynn Yeames.

One day I met her alone in the road that cuts through the Hazledown woods. 'Here is a beautiful morning, Miss Dalrymple," said I, holding her hand,

"Oh, it is beautiful!" she exclaimed looking around her. "See how the rime still stands on the brake, and look how the drops glisten on the gossamer. And what lovely tints there are on the beeches, and the brambles down there."

"Yet you would prefer at this moment o be in your London hospital. You feel that you are wasting your time herethat's the fact, isn't it?"

"I should be sorry to think that," she replied, with quiet gravity.

"But you are. Here you are saving the life of one child; there you might be savug a dozen." "They will be saved without me."

"And little Laure would be lost-that s. true."

"Let us talk about the country," she

cald, as we walked on. "There is a man worth talking about." said I, pointing down to the crossroads, where I spied Dr. Awdrey jogging along

"Oh, I don't think there is a better man than he in all the world!" she cried,

n his gig on his beggarly round.

with enthusiasm. "If he were only a little more practi-

cal," said I. She nodded sadly, and presently said, 'I sometimes think he would have died a martyr had he lived a long while ago." "I don't see what there is in store for him now. There he goes, to look after a lot of thankless vagabonds, who'll never

She looked thoughtfully before her for a minute, then she said :

"Do you think he could ever be happy in the ordinary sense of the word?'

"Yes, if he married." "I do not think he will ever marry."

she said, shaking her head gravely, after a pause.

"Why not?" I asked; "he is a manand a fine man, too. The only difficulty is in getting any one to have him. A man without superficial attractions and without money, what chance has he?" "Do you think all girls are either silly or mercenary?" she asked.

"There's a third section; but they don't are for good men."

I have mentioned the girl's trick of blushing; and looking sidelong in the expectation of seeing this home-thrust bring the color up to her temples, I was surcontrary effect, "I don't mean an absolutely bad man,

self. "I can see now why you were so but one who thinks he is reformed," said precious civil. You want me to let you I. "and attributes, or leads it to be imgo on fingering the fortune when it is agined, that he owes his reformation to the girl's influence."

I was morally certain that Lynn Yeames had not ascribed his change to

versation with Gertrude, however he had chosen to represent it to me. "It flatters the girl's vanity to think

she has redeemed the man," I added. "Is it vanity and nothing else that makes one delight in doing good?"

"I can't say, my dear-not having had much exper ence in that way myself; but this I know, that every good girl must be doing good, ought to be doing good, or think she is doing good. I speak of ability in that respect-or whether other good girls, and no good girl would be content to be an idle plaything for a man's leisure moments. And the wish to save some man from evil courses too often leads the girl herself into the evil course of putting faith in appearances, and lend-

she saw the personal allusion to her ow She was a wonderfully self-possessed young woman, and moreover had too much principle to suffer the opinion of others to bias her own estimate of a trusted friend; indeed, I believe that her loyal heart became only the more staunch by the defense of those she loved against an accusation in which she herself found no reason to participate. Of this she gave convincing proof later on, as I shall

> Soon after this a concert was given, in aid of some philanthropic cause. Lynn Yearnes was a steward and figured prominently in the advertisements. Well. whether it was to please herself, or to please Lynn Yeames, or just to show that she did not value my warning at two straws, I don't know; but this is certain, Miss Dalrymple went to that concert under the protection of Mrs. Yeames, who ever since the discovery at the flower show, had shown herself mighty civil to the young lady. I went also. It charmed me to watch Miss Dalrymple. The music and gaiety appealed to her feelings as it never could to an old lawyer's Her eyes black as sloes with excitement, her face glowing with healthy animation, she looked prettier than ever I had seen her yet. No, there was not one in the room to compare with her. I wondered it project one-half inch in each side how ever I could have thought her plain.

"If they were all like you, my dear," said I to myself, "it would be a real pleasure to come to these affairs."

She enjoyed it thoroughly, for she was young and healthy in mind and body. The music, the light and brightness of the surroundings exhilarated her; and then she must have known that she looked well and was admired, and I believe such a be lief as that would set the Lord Chancellor in a good humor. I think it mattered little to her whom she was with, for she was free from any idea of flirtation, and just as innocent and pure and sweet and good as she looked.

I enjoyed watching her until the time came for Lynn Yeames to take her home; and it stirred up all the bile in my nature when he took her hand and passed it through his arm. He trod on one old gentleman's toe, and I wished it had been mine; for in that mood I only wanted an excuse to knock his head off.

The fact is I was as jenlous as though I had been in love with Miss Dalrymple myself-which, of course, I was not; an old fellow in his sixtieth year-sixty-second, in fact.

(To be continued.)

FEAT OF AN ARMY OFFICER.

Beat O'Leary's Walking Record in

the Wilds of Alaska. The feat of O'Leary in walking 1,000 miles in 1,000 hours has reminded the the ground, put on two lengths of officers of the Fourth Infantry of a feat accomplished by Captain Joseph O'Leary's record by about two miles and keep the fire. per day in the wilds of Alaska. In other words, Captain Castner, who was then a lieutenant of the Fourth Infan- till it from either. I could heat the try, walked a distance of 1,375 miles water quickly with cornetalks, straw, in fifty-two days, an average of twen- cobs, brush or trash. I boiled pumpty-six miles per day. The story of the kins and small potatoes for fattening hardships undergone by Lieut. Castner the pigs, and cooked ground feed by during an exploring expedition in the pouring scalding water on the meal in years 1898-99 is one of thrilling and in- barrels and covering with old blankets joined an exploration expedition sent the chill from ice water for the milch that cultivation is necessary for out by the government to find a pass cows. I regretted that I did not make through the Alaskan Mountain range, it of twelve-inch plank, as that would ing from the northwestern part of stock. mouth of the Tanana River, Oct. 11, the foundation, while I moved the tank 1898, having traversed a distance of about and used it for various purnearly 2,000 miles.

that was taken in charge by a band of building, then as a pond for little Tanana Indians at that point nd feted ducks, as 1 could easily tip it over on moose meat and other delicacies, and put in fresh water with a liose Lieutenant Castner was delirious by every day. reason of the privations and hardships he endured. For six days the party had lived on nothing but wild cran-shredded at a very slight increase in berries, as even the rose apple, which had formed a portion of their diet with what game they could kill had farmer on account of the greater conbecome inaccessible on account of the deep snow.

Lieutenant Castner and the two sol- rains, etc., says Director H. J. Waters, diers had lost their firearms and blankets while floating on a raft down a stream. A low tree had brushed the the present method of handling stover members of the purty and all their ef- is the difficulty of getting it out of the fects into the deep river. They were lucky to save a few matches with which to start a fire. The shoes of the officer and soldiers had become worn to shreds, and they found it necessary to strip themselves of part of their clothing with which to bandage their feet.

The soles and other parts of their feet became a mass of running sores. The party started out with dogs and sleds to carry their baggage, but the dogs perished for lack of food, shortly after crossing the mountain range. Once on the Yukon, the two soldiers decided they had had enough of exploring, and joined some troops a short distance away. Captain Castner, being of adventurous disposition, found a Canadian who would accompany him up the Yukon, so they started on their tramp on the ice to the mouth of the river. It was on this journey that a record of twenty-six miles a day was made. Upon his arrival at Skagway, on the western coast, on Feb. 24, 1899, Lieutenant Castner was informed that the government was organizing a relief expedition to search for him .--Cincinnati Enquirer.

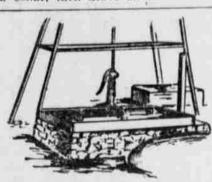
According to the Scattle Trade Register the total salmon pack of the Paeific coast for 1906 was 3,805,311 cases, of which 2,209,555 cases were put up in Alaska, an increase for that territory of 318.788 cases over 1905.

A brigade of "police women" has been ore hized at Ghent. Only mature to accepted for the service.



Henters and Cookers. The cheapest and most economical heater ever used was one of my own construction. I made a frame of 2x8inch pine seven feet long and twentyseven inches wide. I put a bottom ou this of No. 18 galvanized iron, letting and fourteen inches at one end for a stove-pipe fitting. I spiked the frame together and covered the corners with heavy tins to prevent any leaking. The bottom was nailed on with two rows of eight-penny nails,

I made a fireplace on the ground of stone and blue clay, two feet wide by three feet long and eighteen Inches high. I" then piled up dirt one foot high and three feet wide at the end of the fireplace for a flue, put stone on the earth the length of the galvanized Iron, placed the tank on the foundation and banked it up with dirt. In cutting a hole for the stovepipe I turned up strips of the galvanized iron for a collar, then drove an iron rod into



WATER TANK AND COOKER.

stovepipe and wired it fast to the rod. A piece of sheet iron was set up be-C. Castner, of that regiment, who beat fore the fireplace to control the draft

This heater was located near the windmil! and storage tank and I could

Alaska Lieutenant Castner and two I found constant use for this small privates of the Fourteenth Infantry tank the year round, continues the the latter form. An unusual applicastarted in a southeasterly direction writer in Farm and Home. I cut off across an unexplored country, finally the projecting part of sheet iron where arriving at the Yukon River, near the the stovepipe fitted on and left it on poses. For a time I used it in a sheep It was a ragged and forlorn party pasture, then to mix mortar in while

Shredded Corn.

When corn is husked and the stover cost iver that of husking by hand, the practice must commend itself to every venlence with which the material may be handled and fed, and the ability to At an early stage of the journey preserve the material from damage by Missouri experiment station. Not only so, but the greatest single objection to field during the winter and early spring months without injury to the land and the growing wheat crop, which is often sown in the corn in autumn,

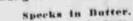
Moreover, shredding undoubtedly re-Heves the farmer of one of the most disagreeable tasks on the farm-the handling of the coarse stalks in bad weather, and relief from the necessity of digging this material out of the snow in winter. Likewise, it also makes it possible to feed the material under a shed or in the barn, using the portion refused by stock for bedding, and still have the manure in a condition to be handled easily by a manure spreader.

Stabling Horses.

We can learn from the Japanese a thing or two about stabling horses. In that country horses are backed into their stalls; then a door is closed at the head, which has a grain and hay rack conveniently constructed, to which the nag is secured. When needed, the door is swung back and the horse led forth. No one gets kicked, no refuse matter is visible to the visitor, and it seems to be a sensible way to construct a place for any horse.

& Rainfall Estimate.

An acre contains 6,272,640 square inches of surface, and an inch of rain means, therefore, the same number of cubic inches of water. A gallon con tains 277.27 cubic inches of water, and an inch of rainfall means 22,622 gallons of water weighs ten pounds, the rainfall of an acre is 226,220 pounds.



The white specks in butter may be caused by one or two things. Sometimes when the cream is set in shallow pans or if the cow does not give very rich milk and the scum of cream is thin, little particles of cream on the top of the scum will dry and do not churn into the butter, but will remain in their hard state and either show specks in the butter or come to the top of the water in washing. The trouble can be hindered by straining the cream before churning. The other way is caused from leav-

ng the cream stand too long before churning. If a little of the milk is skimmed off each time with the cream, this will, of course, settle to the bottom. There it gets overripe and forms a curd that will be so hard that it will not break up in the churning, but makes white specks in the butter. This can be hindered by a closer skimming and by not allowing the cream to stand as long before churning. Straining the cream is also beneficial in this case.

Study Matter of Feeds.

When grain is high in price, the 1778—The United States and France as raiser of stocks needs to study the matter of feed more than at any other time. It does not pay to give foods that merely fill up, and that is what the 1783-Final cossation of hostilities temptation is in times when prices are indated for the most valuable feeds. The man that understands the constitution of feeds will generally find he 1791-Bank of the United States be can beat the high prices by raising some kind of a crop that will give him a big supply of cheap feed. Thus, the 1796-American ship Sedgley rescuelts man that has a good blue grass pasture can conserve it, fertilize it and make It produce a very large amount of nu. 1807-Napoleon defeated the Rusing tritious feed that will, for some of his stock, make it possible to greatly cut down on the grain ration, though this cannot be cut out entirely. The men that have been feeding corn extensively to steers will have to balance that corn with clover, alfalfa, soy beans or something eise to decrease the amount of corn used, for protein in corn comes very high, on account of the large amount of starch that has to be paid for to get a little protein.

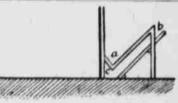
Fertilizing the Orchard.

Experience everywhere teaches tha, 1850—Henry Clay introduced in the se an orchard will live longer, bear better and be more profitable for being well cultivated and enriched. The experiment stations have tried both methods and have collected opinions from the best fruit growers in their sections, 1859-Senator Slidell of Louislans pa tense interest. On June 6, 1808, he or carpets. One light fire would take and the verdict in almost every case is healthy trees and first-class fruit.

Potash is the chief fertilizer to be of which Mount McKinley, the highest have increased its capacity one-third applied to fruit trees, particularly afpeak in America, forms a part. Start- and furnished warm water for all my ter they come into bearing. Potash may be had in wood ashes and muriate of potash. It is most commonly used in tion of potash should be made upon bearing orchards, 500 pounds to the

Good Manger Arrangement.

The sketch shows my hay and grain, 1881-British defeated at battle of b rack for cows, which is a great help when these two feeds are given at the same time, writes a farmer in Farm 1888-Amos J. Snell, Chicago banks, and Home. The hay is put in space a,



SECTION OF COW STALL.

and then the grain is poured in at b, and the cow cats it at c. The part 1900-Hay-Pauncefote treaty signed # of the rack holding the hay may be made of slats and will thus be easier 1901-Wilhelmina, Queen of Hollat to keep clean. Both of these racks are kept in place by 2x3 strips running lengthwise of the manger. Many dairymen are using this device and flud it all right.

The Educated Farmer.

either a physician or a lawyer, for he has need in his business of a knowledge more or less complete of all the natural sciences, and his is the only occupation that deals with the sciences, That education drives the young man from the farm proves nothing except that all men cannot be farmers, for we must have all the trades and profes- affected with neurasthenia. sions filled. But agriculture is more Important than all other callings com- the famous Pasteur Institute at Park a bined, for the farmer feeds and clothes a book entitled, "The Prolongation the world. Therefore the better the Life," published by G. P. Putnam's Sos farmer knows his business the better will the world be clothed and fed.

Farm Notes. Cream kept too long may become

bitter and be full of white flakes, Oats are good for laying hens. Do not be afraid they will cat too many of diet. them.

Sheep are a persistent agency of improvement to the land on the farms where they are kept.

Success in livestock raising depends on producing a better strain of animals with each breeding.

The price of a bone grinder is not great, but it is sometimes unhandy or impossible to get a good supply of of water to the acre, and, as a gallon bones. It is a good scheme to make arrangements with a butcher for bones sarnings of \$8,246,827 for the fiscal parts before buying the grinder



1631-Roger Williams arrived in Book

from England. 1665-First number of London Gast appeared

1682-La Salle began his descent of a Mississippl. 1600 Schenectady, N. Y., attacket as

burned by the French and Indian 1603-Nearly 2,000 persons killed a earthquake in Sicily. 730 Severe earthquake felt is x England.

1762 Martinlque taken by the English 1776 Americans took possession of X York City.

cluded a treaty of alliance....be and Indians. tween the United States and Go

Britain Sweden acknowledged a independence of the United States ported.

1794 Boston's first theater opened men from the sinking British or

battle of Eylau.

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813-American troops raided Broden, Ontario. . . . British Admiral Warm declared Chesapeake Bay to be a ;

1814 Massachusetts prohibited inciopment for debt. 1831—Baron Aylmer entered upor in term of office as Governor of Co.

ada. 1847-Col. Fremont proclaimed the is nexation of California and suspi the office of Governor.

1849 Republican proclaimed at Rim question.

1852-Over 500 lives lost in wed d British troop ship Birkenhead to the Cape of Good Hope.

sented a bill proposing to place De 000,000 in the hands of the Pre dent for the purchase of Cuba. 1861-Jefferson Davis of

withdrew from Congress. 1867-Evacuation of Mexico by the French.

1870—Prince Arthur, third son of Quen Victoria, received by President Graf at the White House, 1873-Congress abolished naval ratis d

admiral and vice admiral, 1876-Manitoba abolished the legislatia council.

gogo river, Transvaal.

1885-Italians occupied Massowah. sassinated. 1803-Long-distance telephone commit

cation established between Boss and New York. 1895—Abdication of Queen Liliuskins of Hawali.

1898 Letter of Spanish Minister D Lome, reflecting on President Mean ley, published. 1899 Insurrection against the I'aled States government in the Philippin

Islands began. Washington.

married to Prince Henry of Met lenburg-Schwerin.

The Prolongation of Life. The centuries long search for the mess of securing perpetual, or at least extent ed youth, is still being prosecuted by the A farmer needs more education than scientists. Dr. Montier of Paris, study the rigidity of the arteries, which hi characteristic of advanced life, has by specially constructed electrical apparatu been able to reduce the increased por sure of the blood which accompanies the arterial changes and thus restore sores conditions, which continue permanents The same treatment has also been see cessfully used in the treatment of patient

Elie Metchinkoff, Pasteur's successor argues that much of the shortening of its and the pain of old age is due to poisoning of the tissues through pure faction of the intestinal tract, which all be counteracted by certain acids, child that existing in sour milk, in confirmation of which he instances the long life some races which live mainly on set

Prohibition Convention Called.

The national convention of the Pro bition party has been called to me Columbus on July 15. There will be total of 1,512 delegates, the apports ment to the various States being has

American Can Profits. The American Can Company rep wain of over \$700,000.