



CHAPTER XII.

Griselda, darting homeward through the twilight garden, after another strolled meeting with Tom Peyton on the garden wall, steps as she reaches the summer house, a favorite resort of Vera's, notwithstanding the father's unpleasant associations connected with it, and pokes in her head to find Vera there.

"What did he say? Was he very much upset?" by burning interest. "He said he'd manage to see me in some way or other," says Griselda, with a heavy sigh.

"Oh, well—come now, that's not so bad," says Vera, cheerfully, forgetful of the fact that she has just been told that her father is coming to see her.

"You persist, then, in your insult," says Vera, going a step nearer to him, the veins swelling in his forehead. "You still say that?"

"I say that, and more," replied the old man, undaunted, a very demon of obstinacy having now taken possession of his brain. "I feel your father's insult, and I suggest to you the advisability of an immediate marriage with me, as a means of crushing in the bud the scandal that is sure to arise out of his impudence."

"You should see me first," says Vera, looking from one to the other with a satirically friendly glance. "Let me rather stay and discuss with you my marriage with her."

comes known to her. It is not a door, rather a heavy temper curtain, and now, resolutely determined to go through with her adventure, she advances toward it, pulls it aside, and finds herself face to face with Gregory.

"I am sorry," murmurs Vera, terrified; "I did not know I was here." "What brought you here, girl—where I believed myself safe? Go—there's nothing to tell you, they lied to you if they told you anything—go, I say!"

"I am going," she says, faintly. She is ghastly pale; the sight of him in his horrible fright, arising thus upon the ground, has so unnerved her that she really grasps at the certainty for support. (To be continued.)

PARADISE FOR BIRDS. The White House Grounds Possess Many Charming Features. Birds have a keen eye out for residence quarters in Washington and the White House grounds the most fashionable and select neighborhood they can enter.

Progress of Women. We do not assume that all women desire the ballot. All women do not desire any one thing. There are some who are seeking the better in any relation of life.

Work that Convicts Might Do. The roads of the State need improving. Under proper control and direction the convicts could do the work. It is there any reason why they should not be so employed?

THE OLDEST IRONMASTER. Christopher Zug, one of Pittsburgh's remarkable citizens. Had Christopher Zug, the oldest iron manufacturer in the United States, not been stricken with blindness four years ago, it is believed that he would have retired from the industry much earlier.

MRS. MACKAY THE FUTURE LEADER OF NEW YORK'S "400." It is said that she will soon take her place as the undoubted leader of society in New York.

TEASING A YOUNG SOLDIER. Commander of a Military Institute Frightens a Small Cadet. In the "Personal Recollections" of Capt. James Dinkins is an account of a little cadet who suffered a severe "scare" at the North Carolina Military Institute.

Fads in Schools a Necessity. Acquisition of knowledge is the popular definition of education. The new education does not ignore the value of knowledge by any means, but it has increased responsibility, and the emphasis, our attitude toward a school fad of education is apt to be better morally and physically to employ them out of doors than in the classroom.

Prevalence of Smallpox. That smallpox is alarmingly prevalent in many States must be evident to anyone who reads the newspapers. Statistics show that during the year 1900, the number of cases in the United States increased over 900 per cent.

What Makes a City Great. The truly great city is the city of great men, for that is the highest type of greatness in all directions. That city must be the truly greater city—greater in the sense that it possesses the best men.

FREAKS OF NATURE. A Monstrous Growth of Vegetation Found in the Golden State. "We are not so much on corn here in California," said Nedman L. Germal, of Los Angeles, "but in all other products of the earth we can beat the world."

SHE TOUCHED A CHINAMAN. Bad Instead of the Expected Good Luck Resulted from the Encounter. It is a very common superstition that to rub the hump of a cripple's back is sure to bring good luck.

FIRST LESSONS. Young Sailor Forcibly Taught Economics and Respect for Superiors. The first two lessons on board a ship are, perhaps, obedience and the learning to keep things "shipshape."

Suicide in the French Army. The French Militaire publishes statistics showing that cases of suicide are very frequent in the French army, more so perhaps than in any other European force.

GEO. P. CROWELL, Successor to E. L. Smith, Dealer in Dry Goods, Groceries, Boots and Shoes, Hardware, Flour and Feed, etc.

Davenport Bros. Are running their two mills, planer and box factory, and can fill orders for Lumber Boxes, Wood and Posts.

THE REGULATOR LINE. Dalles, Portland & Astoria Navigation Co. COMMENCING JAN. 1, 1902.

WHITE COLLAR LINE. The Dalles-Portland Route. "Str. 'Tahoma,'" Between Portland, The Dalles and Way Points.

"Str. 'Bailey Gatzert,'" Daily Round Trip, except Sunday. Leave Portland, 7 a.m. Leave Astoria, 7 a.m.

OREGON SHORT LINE AND UNION PACIFIC. DEPART TIME SCHEDULES FROM HOOD RIVER. ARRIVE.

OCEAN AND RIVER SCHEDULE FROM PORTLAND. 8:00 p.m. All calling States subject to change.

Explaining a Unique Motto. There is a newspaper in Kansas whose motto is "Let steel, dirt and sweat." It is thus explained by the editor: "When you lie, let it be down to pleasant dreams; when you steal, let it be away from immoral associates; when you swear, let it be that you will patronize your home paper; your subscription and not send your job work away from home."