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## ONLY A FARMER'S DAUGHTER.

By MRS. FORRESTER.

### CHAPTER IV.

Had it been possible for Winifred to guess Errol Hastings' real feelings she would have been forced to confess how greatly she had misjudged him. He was for the first time in his life unreasonably, bewilderingly, in love, and his judgment was at war with his passion. Reflection did not help him, either.

"I have heard," he thought, "of men counting the world well lost for a woman's sake, but I never realized the feeling until now. Now I feel that I would give all I possess if I could raise her to my position, or sink to hers. She is only a bright, charming child yet, but what divine womanhood she will grow into when she begins to love. I cannot imagine any greater happiness than to look into the depths of those beautiful eyes, and read there, 'I love you,' or to take those little, slender hands in mine, and hear the confession from her lips. But I could not trust myself to stay here and see her often; silence would be impossible. If I were not for our cursed Hastings pride I might tell her now, this very day, how I love her, and marry her if she would have me. But that cannot be. Have all my ancestors kept their resolve in spite of everything until now, and shall I be the first one to break it by my weakness or cowardice? No! no! no! he thought, passionately—"the honor of our house first."

And so Errol made up his mind that he would see Winifred no more—he would not yield to temptation, or expose her to disappointment, and when he passed the next day with Miss Champion he kept his face steadily averted from the Farm, little guessing how bitterly the woman he loved was commenting on his apparent neglect.

Several days passed, and the house was full of guests. Everyone declared that Hazel Court was the most charming country house to stay at, and that Mr. Hastings was the perfection of a host. He and Lady Grace Farquhar made the most delightful arrangements for the general amusement, and every body was pleased and pleased in consequence. Miss Champion and her brother were over at the Court almost every day, somewhat to the chagrin of Lady Ulicia St. Ego, who had resolved to do everything in her power to win Errol Hastings. Her sister, Lady Angela, had similar intentions toward Lord Harold Eskrine, who was almost as rich, though not of nearly such old family.

One day, when Errol had ordered his four-in-hand to take the party driving, he asked Miss Champion, who was sitting on the box beside him, which way they should go.

"Over the common and up the hill, I think is the prettiest," answered Flora, with the malicious design of passing the Farm, that Winifred might see them. Just as they came up to the Farm, Winifred, who had been standing at the gate, turned and walked away to the house.

"I say," cried Lord Harold, "what an elegant woman! Miss Champion, you are the great authority in the county—please tell me who that young beauty is."

"She is a farmer's daughter," said Flora, coldly, and Errol almost hated her for saying it.

"A farmer's daughter! I could have sworn, with that figure and tounure, she belonged to one of the best families in the county. I was just indulging a hope, Hastings, that we should see her at the ball. Do you know her?"

"Yes," said Errol, gravely, "I have that honor."

"Could you not invite her?" Lord Harold went on.

"Ask the ladies," answered Errol, with an unwonted tinge of sarcasm, "whether they would consent to the presence of a girl who was only a farmer's daughter?"

"Indeed, I am sure I would," cried Miss Alton, who was too pretty to be jealous; but the others remained silent.

Winifred had turned away from the gate with a swelling heart, and thought "He may not care for me," thought the poor child; "but he need not come past so often with his aristocratic friends to show how far above me he is!"

The day before the ball, Errol had retired to his sanctum, after lunch, to write two or three letters, when there came a gentle tap at the door.

"Come in," said Lady Grace, who appeared on the threshold.

"Will you pardon my intrusion?" she said. "I have always wished to see your aunt, and a request I have to make to you has at last given me a fair pretext."

"You might have taken my consent for granted," he answered, with a pleasant smile; "but I am quite content that you should think it my duty to ask it, since your scruple brings you here."

"My request relates in a measure to one of the dearest friends I had, poor Winifred Champion."

"Champion?" said Hastings, interrogatively.

"Yes, the daughter of old Sir Howard."

"I did not know that there was another daughter than Lady Valanton."

"Yes, but she made a messianic, and Sir Howard, who is a dreadful tyrant, has never allowed her name to be mentioned since. I was very fond of her, poor girl, although she was some years younger than I was, but I never saw her after she ran away, for I was abroad with my husband, and before I returned to England she died. Her governess, Madame de Montolieu, was a very good and charming woman, and I have always kept up a correspondence with her from time to time. I invaded your privacy this afternoon on purpose to ask if I may have a pony carriage, in order to drive over and pay the old lady a visit."

"Why not take the barouche, Lady Grace? Lady St. Ego and Lady Marlon have declined driving this afternoon, and the young ladies intend to ride over to Mrs. Champion's before dinner."

"Thank you, I would rather not dis-

I shall never be able to participate in it, and why should I refuse an opportunity I have so often coveted, of seeing a really grand ball?"

"Then she fell into a train of thought. "If I had only the advantage of being Sir Howard's granddaughter, that Flora Champion has—if I could have met Mr. Hastings in society, and ridden and danced with him as she has done, I think I could have made him love me; but as a farmer's daughter, what chance have I with an admired, aristocratic beauty?"

Here words failed her, and she sat down on the bank in the lonely woods, and the tears streamed down her face. So intent was she on her misery that she did not hear footsteps approaching her, and when a man's voice sounded tenderly in her ears, saying, "Miss Eyre, are you in trouble?" she started, blushing, to her feet.

"Mr. Hastings," she exclaimed, covered with confusion and crimson shame; but somehow the sight of his handsome face banished the memory of her sadness, and a bright smile came into her eyes.

"I am glad to see a smile again," Errol said, with the tenderest inflection of his voice, "I could not bear to see you in distress."

"When people have not very much to occupy their minds," Winifred answered, "they are rather subject to fits of depression, without adequate cause. I envy you almost now—you are so busied in entertaining and amusing people, you have no time for regrets."

"No time for regrets?" echoed Lady Grace; "for the last three weeks my life has been one unceasing, haunting regret."

Winifred looked up into his face inquiringly.

"It is a trouble I cannot ask anyone to share—you least of all," he said, after a pause.

Winifred's eyes drooped beneath his gaze—it was so sad, yet so eager.

A voice was heard calling, "Hastings, Hastings!"

In an instant he had taken her hand, kissed it passionately, and was gone. Winifred turned away quickly, and went on her way to the cottage. She was trembling, confused, glad, surprised. She scarcely knew what her real feelings were. But as Hawkins' proposal recurred to her mind, she determined to accept it.

When she arrived at the cottage, she found Lady Grace, as has been described. When she had accompanied her to the pony carriage, she returned to the little drawing room.

"Dear madame," said Winifred, kneeling beside her old friend, and half hiding her face. "I want you to take me to the Court to-morrow night."

"The Court?" exclaimed Madame de Montolieu, in overwhelming surprise; "has Mr. Hastings, then, invited you to his ball?"

"Oh, no, not that," Winifred answered, quickly, with a deep blush. "To-night, as I was coming here, Hawkins met me, and asked me if I should like to see the ball. He said he would let me into the little garden under the ballroom, and there would be no one else there. At first I was angry at the idea, but I have changed my mind; and, oh, madame, she concluded, earnestly, "do so want to go."

Madame de Montolieu looked at her with impressive astonishment. She almost failed to believe her senses when proud Winifred Eyre made such a request.

"I know it must seem strange to you, Winifred said, imploringly; "you think I am forgetting my pride, and my self-esteem; but I have a reason—indeed I have."

"Winifred!" cried Madame de Montolieu, in a pained voice, "you are thinking too much of this Mr. Hastings."

She caressed the head that lay in her lap pitifully and tenderly while she said: "I will go with you if you wish it."

"I do wish it; thank you a thousand times."

The next evening, shortly before ten o'clock, Winifred and her companion, cloaked and veiled, appeared at the little garden gate. The faithful Hawkins was waiting for them, and, true to his promise, not another person was to be seen. He had placed two chairs for them behind a clump of laurels, and as the ballroom windows were down to the ground they could see plainly everything that took place.

Winifred saw Lady Grace Farquhar, robed in delicate satin and lace, standing with other ladies on a kind of a velvet dais, receiving the guests as they entered with stately graciousness. Then she saw something that made her tremble and turn pale. Mr. Hastings entered the room, looking more handsome and courtly than she had ever imagined, and on his arm leaned Flora Champion, with the proud dignity of an empress.

A jealous pang shot through Winifred's heart at the sight, and when she saw Hastings bend down to Flora, and perceived the smile that was reflected back in his eyes, she clinched her teeth over her lips to keep back the tears of mortification. She turned to Madame de Montolieu and said, in quick, gasping tones: "It is enough—let us go!"

"(To be continued.)"

**Mount Everest Never Climbed.**

If you thirst for something really new, if you want to do something which has never been done before, here is a chance for you. Climb Mount Everest. Its height is 29,002 feet, and you will not find anything in the nature of a paper bag on its snow-capped summit, for the excursionist has not reached there yet. The highest point to which man has so far climbed is 23,393 feet. This is the height of Aconcagua, the loftiest summit of the main cordillera of the Andes. This point was reached by the guide Mattias Zurbriggen and Mr. Vines, two members of the expedition that went out in 1897 under Mr. E. A. Fitzgerald. Before this the record was held by Sir William Martin Conway's expedition, which in 1892 climbed a mountain in the Karakoram Himalayas just 22,000 feet high—Pearson's Magazine.

**Effect of Rag-Time Songs.**

Sunday School Teacher—Now, children, what did Pharaoh say to Moses? Children—We don't know.

Teacher—Oh, yes, you do. He told Moses to go and do something. Now, what did he say?

Class—Go way back—and sit down!—Baltimore American.

## PAYNE MAY QUIT

### POSTMASTER GENERAL AT OUTS WITH FIRST ASSISTANT.

#### Recent Frauds are the Cause of the Friction—Head of Department Holds Airing is Too Free—Roosevelt Will Pass on the Issue—Payne Will Likely Resign.

Washington, June 5.—Strained relations exist between Postmaster-General Payne and First Assistant Wynne, and as a result, one of them will probably have to go, when the matter is laid before the President. The probabilities are that Payne will be the one, not because he has failed in his duty, but because the work has become uncongenial to him, and the department is much too large for a man in his shoes.

When Payne took the department it was expected that he would look after the political end of affairs for the administration, on account of his long connection with the National committee, and acquaintance with politicians throughout the country. It was supposed that the department would run along very smoothly and would not require so very much executive action. But the developments of the last few months have been such as to show that rigid care is necessary in the management of this department, which handles so much money and where there are opportunities for so many irregularities.

The differences between Payne and Wynne resulted, first, from Payne's criticism of the First Assistant, because the latter was too free in giving out reports of abuses and irregularities to the press, while the investigation was in progress. Payne believes that Wynne has also encouraged some newspaper attacks upon him. Wynne feels that Payne has not tried to prevent him from getting credit for the investigations as far as they have gone.

When the matter is brought to the notice of the President Wynne's position will be quite strong, because he began the fight on Machen and Beavers. When Wynne became First Assistant the department was too large to be presided over by these men were run almost independent of the First Assistant, and both of them were inclined to defy him. He began to assert his position, and followed up the newspaper attacks upon the irregularities of the department. The fact that he has forced both of the officials out will doubt help him with the President in any contest with Payne. Possibly Wynne will be made Postmaster-General, but attention is directed towards Fourth Assistant Bristow, who, more than any one else, has been responsible for unearthing the irregularities in the department.

## PRIDE OF THE NAVY.

### Bids for Three New Battleships Opened—Will Be Our Most Powerful.

Washington, June 5.—Bids were opened today at the Navy Department for the construction of the Minnesota, Vermont and Kansas, the three 16,000-ton battleships authorized by the last Congress, each to cost not exceeding \$4,212,000. The Newport News Shipbuilding Company, of Newport News, Va., was the lowest bidder for one vessel; the William Cramp & Son Ship & Engine Building Company were the other bidders for more than one ship.

These battleships will be the most powerful of the American Navy. They will have an acquired speed of 18 knots, a displacement of 16,000 tons, a main battery of four 12-inch, eight 8-inch, and twelve 7-inch breech-loading rifles, and a secondary battery of 12 four-inch, one four-pounder rapid fire gun; twelve three-pound semi-automatic guns; six one-pounder semi-automatic guns; two three-inch field pieces; two machine guns and six automatic guns.

## Americans are Jewel Mad.

New York, June 5.—Americans are going diamond-mad, according to the figures given by the custom-house here. Diamonds and other precious stones worth \$2,442,000 were imported in May. This is greater than in any previous month. More than \$50,000,000 worth of diamonds and other gems have been imported since the great May panic in 1901. The increasing demand for the stones has increased their price so that purchasers find they have proved a fine business investment.

## France Offers Terms.

Washington, June 5.—France has signified a willingness to adhere to the protocol providing for the submission to the Hague tribunal of the question of preferential treatment growing out of the late Venezuelan blockade. She attaches certain conditions to her adhesion. First, that the proceedings shall be in the French language and, second, that instead of limiting the counsel of the nonaligned powers to one attorney, Wayne McVeigh, France shall be represented by French counsel.

## Maine One Wall of Flame.

Portland, Me., June 5.—Maine tonight is burning from one side to the other and in almost every section. Thousands of dollars' worth of property and valuable timber land are being destroyed hourly by forest fires, and there is little prospect for changed conditions until rain has soaked the ground and woodlands. At least 30 fires were reported tonight, and many others are raging. The fire line at Remis and Raining Lakes extends from one to twelve miles.

## Guam End of Cable Spliced.

Manila, June 4.—The British cable steamer Angelina, engaged in laying the Commercial Pacific cable, arrived at Guam at midnight. She had good weather throughout and her trip from this port was entirely successful. The Guam end of the cable was spliced to day, completing connection between Malay and Guam.

## FRANCE ALARMS JAPAN.

### Incurison of Troops Causes a Protest to be Entered.

Victoria, B. C., June 4.—The crisis in China grows apace, according to news received by the Empress of China, for not only is the situation grave in the north, but also in the south, for with the incurison of 2000 French troops across the Kwang-sai borders, Peking has become greatly alarmed. On the arrival of the French force at Chinnan, Governor Wang Chih Chung, of Kwangsi, asked the French Consul to demand their withdrawal, but he replied he had no authority over the French correspondents say that the action is considered at Peking that the action of the French in the south is taken for the purpose of creating a discussion in favor of Russia. An influential petition has been received at Peking from Hong Kong asking for the dismissal of Governor Wang Chih Chung on the ground that he is in league with the French.

The situation regarding Manchuria was very grave when the Empress sailed. Reliable reports published by the Japanese papers told of continued war preparations. A Chee Foo dispatch said that Russians were busy chartering steamers to carry troops and arms to Taku Shan and Yalu. It is reported that the Nippon Yusei Kaisha has been asked to hold its fleet in readiness for transports. Stories of large accumulations of provisions by Russians and Japanese are being reported in Japan papers. The Russian squadron was maneuvering of the Yalu when the Empress sailed on May 22.

Mr. Sung, governor of Moukden, arrived at Moji, and, interviewed there, he said Russia aims at securing permanent possession of Manchuria and the mouth of the Yalu.

## LEVEE GIVES WAY IN IOWA.

### Crops on Thousands of Acres About Keokuk are Ruined.

St. Louis, June 4.—A special to the Post-Dispatch from Keokuk, Ia., says Six hundred square miles of rich farming land along the Mississippi south of here is under water. The Egyptian levee broke during the night of township 7, ranges 28, 29 and 30; the west half of township 8, range 27; all south and east.

## Star Company to Resume.

The Star Consolidation Mining Company is planning to resume operations in a few days on an extensive scale. Superintendent V. H. Behne has just returned from the east, having been successful in raising sufficient funds for all necessary improvements. This property is located on Martin creek, in the Bohemia district. They have over 1000 feet of tunnels, and also a five-stamp mill on the ground. Many very rich specimens of ore have been found on this property.

## Against Sunday Ball Games.

The antagonism to Sunday baseball has broken out afresh at Eugene, and a complaint has been made by a large number of citizens, who went before the County Court and secured a temporary injunction prohibiting baseball on Sunday. This action is only preliminary to a case that will come up at the June term of the Circuit Court, when it is the hope of the plaintiffs to have the restraining order made permanent.

## June Salmon in the River.

The regular June run of fish has evidently arrived in the lower Columbia and for the first time in several weeks salmon are really plentiful, although there is no big run. The fish are large and of fine quality, those ranging from 40 to 60 pounds each predominating. As the best catches are being made in the lower harbor and around the mouth of the river, the indications are that a new run is entering the Columbia.

## Latest Music for Chautauqua.

Music will be made an especial feature of the meeting of the Willamette Valley Chautauqua Association this year. Mrs. Walter Reed, of Portland, authorized by the strike commission, and if these members are not recognized by the operators, the executive boards will contemplate calling a convention of mine-workers to declare a general suspension of work until their members are given recognition.

In a statement tonight the district president stated that the operators objected on the ground that the mine-workers' representatives were appointed by their organization as it exists in each district. Another meeting will be held tomorrow to decide whether a suspension of work shall be ordered.

## Up to Danger Line.

St. Louis, June 4.—The Mississippi river has risen to 30 feet, the danger line, at St. Louis, and continues to rise more than two feet a day. Indications are that the 34-foot stage at St. Louis, predicted by the signal service bureau, will be exceeded. A 34-foot stage at St. Louis means immense loss. Already thousands of acres of land, the most productive in the Middle West, on the Missouri and Illinois sides, are under water. Hundreds of thousands have been lost to Illinois and Missouri farmers through ruined crops.

## Will Confer With Jews.

Washington, June 4.—Simon Wolf has written to Secretary Hay to make an appointment to receive the executive committee of the B'nai B'rith, which desires to make certain representations to the secretary respecting the treatment of Jews in Russia. The committee is understood to be fortified with a large mass of detailed testimony respecting the terrible happening at Kichinef. The secretary has accordingly set Monday, June 15, as the date for conference.

## HAPPENINGS HERE IN OREGON.

### LOOKING FOR LOST PACKAGES.

#### Baker City Receives a Visit by Postoffice Inspectors.

Two special inspectors of the Post-office Department are at Baker City investigating the mysterious disappearance of two registered money packages, which have been missing since last March. The packages were deposited in the postoffice in this city by the First National Bank, on March 17 last. One was addressed to Brown & Pearce, at Cornucopia, and the other was addressed to a Mr. Hunsaker, at Pine. Neither package reached its destination and the bank made inquiries concerning them at the office in Baker City.

At first it was claimed that the postmaster at Keating, the first way station on the route out from Baker City, had receipted for them, but some time afterwards it was discovered that the Keating postmaster had reported the packages short when the pouch reached there, and the matter had been overlooked by the Baker City office. The total amount of money in the two packages was \$450.

### LAND ORDERED WITHDRAWN.

#### La Grande Office Receives Orders Concerning Grant and Morrow.

A telegram has been received by the La Grande land office, officials from Washington as follows: Withdraw from settlement, or any appropriation, townships 4, ranges 28 and 30; townships 5, ranges 28, 29 and 30; townships 6, ranges 27, 28, 29 and 30; township 7, range 27; the north half of township 7, ranges 28, 29 and 30; the west half of township 8, range 27; all south and east.

### Assistant Secretary.

The land lies in Grant and Morrow counties.

### Four Days of Celebration.

The celebration to be held at Union is announced to be one of the most elaborate ever held in Eastern Oregon. It will continue for four days, July 1, 2, 3 and 4, and will be under the management of the Eastern Oregon Veteran Association, the Woman's Relief Corps, the Union County Pioneer Association, and the City of Union. United States Senator Mitchell has been invited to deliver an address here on the Fourth of July, which will be the big day of the meetings.

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### Carrier Lumber for Mills.

The Benton County Lumber Company has completed a flume transportation of lumber from sawmill in the woods on Greas to Philomath on the line of the Walla & Eastern Railroad. The flume is 6 1/2 miles, and capacity is 25,000 feet of lumber hour.

### PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 70@71c; ley, 74c.

Barley—Feed, \$20.00 per ton; ing, \$21.

Flour—Best grades, \$3.95@4.30; ham, \$3.45@3.55.

Millet—Bran, \$23 per ton; illings, \$27; shorts, \$23.00; \$18.

Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.10@1.15; gray, \$1.05 per cental.

Hay—Timothy, \$20@21; clover, \$10@11; cheat, \$15@16 per ton.

Potatoes—Best Burbanks, 50c sack; ordinary, 25c@30c per cental growers' prices; Merced sweets, 3.50 per cental.

Poultry—Chickens, mixed, 11@12; young, 13@14; hens, 12c; turkeys, 16@17c; dressed, 20@22c; ducks, \$7.00@7.50 per dozen; geese, \$6@6.50.

Cheese—Full cream, twins, 16@17c; Young America, 17@17 1/2c; factory prices, 15@16c; less.

Butter—Fancy creamery, 20@22c per pound; extras, 21c; dairy, 20@22 1/2c; store, 16@18c.

Eggs—16@17c per dozen.

Hops—Choice, 18@20c per pound.

Wool—Valley 12 1/4@15; Eastern Oregon, \$4@14; mohair, 35@36c.

Beef—Gross, cows, 3 1/4@4c per pound; steers, 4 1/2@5c; dressed, 7 1/2@8c.

Veal—8@8 1/2c.

Mutton—Gross, 7@7 1/2c per pound; dressed, 8@9c.

Lamb—Gross, 4c per pound; dressed, 7 1/2c.

Hogs—Gross, 7@7 1/2c per pound; dressed, 8@8 1/2c.

## TO SECRETARY OF COMMERCE.

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