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David Meekison.

The Bow of Orange Ribbon

A ROMANCE OF NEW YORK

By AMELIA E. BARR

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CHAPTER IV.—(Continued.)

There was something so frank and persuasive about the elegant stranger that Joris could not refuse the courtesy she asked for herself and her nephew. And, having yielded, he yielded with entire truth and confidence.

Elder Semple was greatly pleased at his friend's complaisance. He gave Joris full credit for his victory over his national prejudice, and he did his very best to make the concession a pleasant event. In this effort he was greatly assisted by Mrs. Gordon. She set herself to charm Van Heemskirk, as she had set herself to charm Madame Van Heemskirk on her previous visit, and she succeeded so well, that when "Sir Roger de Coverley" was called, Joris rose, offered her his hand and to the delight of every one present, led the dance with her.

It was a little triumph for the elder. Indeed, he was so interested in listening to the clever way in which "the bonnie woman flattered Van Heemskirk" that he was quite oblivious of the gathering wrath in his son's face, and the watchful gloom in Bram's eyes, as the two men stood together, jealously observant of Capt. Hyde's attentions to Katherine. Without any words spoken on the subject, there was an understood compact between them to guard the girl from any private conversation with him; and yet two men with hearts full of suspicion and jealousy were not a match for one man with a heart full of love. In a moment, in the interchange of their hands in a dance, Katherine clasped tightly a little note, and unobserved hid it behind the rose at her breast. The loving girl thought it no wrong to put it there; she even hoped that some kind of blessing or sanction might come through such sacred keeping, and she went to sleep whispering to herself:

"Happy I am. Me he loves; me he loves; me only he loves; me forever he loves!"

CHAPTER V.

The Beginning of Strife.

"My dear Dick, I am exceedingly concerned to find you in such a talking-moping about a Dutch school-girl! Pshaw! I had a much better opinion of you."

"I know I love her beyond everything, and that I am likely to love her all my life."

"Upon my word, Dick, love may have an age—if you don't marry it."

"Let me make you understand that I wish to marry it."

"Oh, indeed, sir! Then the church door stands open. Go in. I suppose the lady will oblige you so far."

"Pray, dear aunt, give me your advice. What is the first step to be taken?"

"Go and talk with her father. The girl you think worth asking for; but it is very necessary for you to know what fortune goes with her beauty."

"If her father refuses to give her to me—"

"That is not to be thought of. You come of a noble race. You are not far from the heritage of a great title and estate. If you ask for her fortune, you offer far above its equivalent, sir."

"Well, this suspense is intolerable, and not to be borne. I will go and end it. Give me your good wishes."

"I shall be impatient to hear the result."

At Van Heemskirk's store Capt. Hyde asked for the councillor and was taken to his office.

"Your servant, captain. Is there anything I can oblige you in, sir?"

Joris asked the question because the manner of the young man struck him as uneasy and constrained; and he thought, "Perhaps he has come to borrow money." He was not, therefore astonished when Capt. Hyde answered:

"Sir, you can, indeed, oblige me, and that in a matter of the greatest moment."

"If money it be, captain, at once I may tell you, that I borrow not, and I lend not."

"Sir, it is not money—in particular."

"So?"

"It is your daughter, Katherine."

Then Joris stood up, and looked steadily at the suitor. His large, amiable face had become in a moment hard and stern; and the light in his eyes was like the cold, sharp light that falls from drawn steel.

"My daughter is not for you to name. Sir, it is a wrong to her, if you speak her name. Like to like, that is what I say. Your wife seeks, captain, among your own women. My daughter is to another man promised."

"Look you, councillor, that would be monstrous. Your daughter loves me."

Joris turned white to the lips. "It is not the truth," he answered in a slow, husky voice.

"By the sun in heaven, it is truth! Ask her."

"Then a great scoundrel are you, unfit with honest men to talk. Ho! Yes, your sword pull from its scabbard. Strike. To the heart, strike me. Less wicked would be the deed than the thing you have done."

There was something very impressive in the angry sorrow of Joris. Yet Hyde persevered in his solicitation.

"Do but hear me, sir. I have done nothing contrary to the custom of people in my condition, and I assure you that with all my soul I love your daughter. No man can love her better."

"What say you? How, then, do I love her? I who carried her—mijn witte lammetje—in these arms before yet she could say to me, 'Fader!'" His wrath had been steadily growing, and suddenly striking the desk a ponderous blow with his closed hand, he said with an unmistakable passion, "My daughter you shall not have. God in heaven to himself take her ere such sorrow come to her and me!"

"Sir, you are very uncivil; but to be plain with you, I am determined to marry your daughter if I can compass the matter in any way. It is now, then, open war between us; and so, sir, your servant."

"Stay. To me listen. Not one guilder will I give to my daughter, if—"

"To the devil with your guilders! Dirty money made in dirty traffic!"

"You lie."

"Sir, you take an infamous advantage. You know, that, being Katherine's father, I will not challenge you." "Christus!" roared Joris, "challenge me one hundred times. A fool I would be to answer you. Life my God gave to me. Well, then, only my God shall from me take it. See you these arms and hands? In them you will be as the child of one year. Ere beyond my reason you move me, go!" and he strode to the door and flung it open with a passion that made every one in the store straighten towards the two men.

White with rage, and with his hand upon his sword-hilt, Capt. Hyde stamped his way through the crowded store to the dusty street. Then it struck him that he had not asked the name of the man to whom Katherine was promised. He swore at himself for the omission. Whether he knew him or not, he was determined to fight him. Now he must see Katherine before her father had any opportunity to give any orders regarding him.

In the meantime Joris was suffering as only such deep natures can suffer. Capt. Hyde's proposal and his positive assertion that Katherine loved him, had fallen upon the father's heart with the force of a blow, and the terror of a shock.

After Hyde's departure, he shut the door of his office, walked to the window, and stood there some minutes, clasping and unclasping his large hands, like a man full of grief and perplexity. Ere long he remembered his friend Semple. This trouble concerned him also, for Capt. Hyde was in a manner his guest; and, if he were informed of the marriage arranged between Katherine and Neil Semple, he would doubtless feel himself bound in honor to retire.

Joris found Semple and in a few short, strong sentences, put the case before him.

"My certie! When girls are auld enough for a lover, they are a match for any gray head. I'm thankful man that I wasn't put in charge o' any o' them. I shall have to speak my mind to Niel, and likewise to Col. Gordon; and you canna put off your duty to your daughter an hour longer. Dear me! To think, Joris, o' a man being able to sit w' the councillors o' the nation, and yet no match for a lassie o' seventeen!"

As they walked homeward, the elder talked, and Joris pondered, not what was said, but the thoughts and purposes that were slowly forming in his own mind.

When the evening meal was over Joris rose, and laying his hand on Katherine's shoulder said, "There is something to talk about. Sit down, Lysbet; the door shut close, and listen to me."

It was impossible to mistake the stern purpose on her husband's face, and Lysbet silently obeyed the order.

"Katherine, Katrinjtje, mijn kind, this afternoon there comes to the store the young man Capt. Hyde. To thy father he said many ill words. To him thou shalt never speak again. Thy promise give to me."

She sat silent, with dropped eyes, and cheeks as red as the pomegranate flower at her breast.

"Mijn kind, speak to me."

Weeping bitterly, she rose and went to her mother, and laid her head upon Lysbet's shoulder.

"Look now, Joris. One must know the 'why' and the 'wherefore.' What mean you? Whish, mijn kindje!"

"This I mean, Lysbet. No more meetings with the Englishman will I have. No love secrets will I bear. Danger is with them; yes, and sin, too."

"Mijn kindje, listen to me thy father. It is for thy happy life here, it is for thy eternal life, I speak to thee. This man for whom thou art weeping is not good for thee. Mijn beste kinje, do I love thee?"

"My father!"

"Do I love thee?"

"Yes, yes."

"Dost thou, then, love me?"

She put her arms round his neck, and laid her cheek against his, and kissed him many times.

"Wilt thou go away and leave me, and leave thy mother, in our old age? Katrinjtje, my dear, dear child, what for me, and for thy mother, wilt thou do?"

"Thy wish—if I can."

Then he told her of the provision made for her future. He reminded her of Neil's long affection, and added, "To-morrow, about thy own house, I will take the first step. Near my house it shall be; and at the feast of St. Nicholas thou shalt be married. And money, plenty of money, I will give thee; and all that is proper thy mother and thee shall buy. But no more, no more at all, shalt thou see or speak to that bad man who has so beguiled thee. Wilt thou these things promise me? Me and thy mother?"

"Richard I must see once more."

"That is what I ask."

"Richard! So far is it? Well, then, I will as easy make it as I can. Once more, and for one hour, thou may see him. But I lay it on thee to tell him the truth, for this and for all other time."

"Now may I go? He is anigh. His boat I hear at the landing;" and she stood up, intent, hastening, with her fair head lifted, and her wet eyes fixed on the distance.

"Well, be it so. Go."

With the words she slipped from the room; and Joris called Baltu to bring him some hot coals, and began to fill his pipe. As the Virginia calmed and soothed him, the sweetness of his nature was at once in the ascendant; and he said, "Lysbet, come then, and talk with me about the child."

She turned the keys in her press slowly, and stood by it with them in her hand. "What has been told thee, Joris, to-day? And who has spoken? Tongues evil and envious, I am sure of that."

"Thou art wrong. The young man did me spoke himself. He said, 'I love your daughter. I want to marry her.'"

"Well, then, he did no wrong. And as for Katrinjtje, it is in nature that a young girl should want a lover. It is in nature she should choose the one she likes best. That is what I say."

"Yes, it is in nature the child should want this handsome stranger; but with me thou wilt certainly say, 'He is not fit for thy happiness; he has not the true faith, he gambles, he fights duels, he is a waster, he lives badly, he will take thee far from thy own people and thy own home.'"

She drew close to him, and laid her arm across his broad shoulders; and he took his pipe from his lips, and turned his face to her. "Kind and wise art thou, my husband; and whatever is thy wish, that is my wish, too."

"Right am I, and I know I am right. And I think that Neil Semple will be a very great person. On the judge's bench he will sit down yet."

"A good young man he may be, but he is a very bad lover; that is the truth. If a little less wise he could only be! A young girl likes some foolish talk. Little fond words, very strong they are. Thou thyself said them to me."

"That is right. To Neil, I will talk a little. A man must seek a good wife with more heart than he seeks gold. Yes, yes; her price above rubies is."

At the very moment Joris made this remark, the elder was speaking for him. Neil was walking about the terrace, and he joined him.

"You are stepping in a vera majestic way, Neil; what's in your thoughts, I wonder?"

"I have a speech to make to-morrow, sir. My thoughts were on the law, which has a certain majesty of its own."

"You'd better be thinking o' a speech you ought to make to-night, if you care about saving yourself" w' Katherine Van Heemskirk. You have a rival, sir. Capt. Hyde asked Van Heemskirk for his daughter this afternoon, and an earldom in prospect isna a poor bait. Tak' a word o' advice now. You are fond enough to plead for others, go and plead an hour for yourself. Certie! When I was your age, I was aye noted for my persuading way. Your father, sir, never left a spare corner for a rival."

(To be continued.)

Lawyer and Witness.

A certain Mr. H. was a sharp lawyer and invariably retained in criminal cases, where his peculiar abilities were deemed likely to benefit his client, writes a contributor to the Weekly Bouquet. Old Mrs. L., the widow of a first farmer, was remarkable for her plainness in speech and manner, and she was one of the cute sort. The old woman was an important witness for the prosecution in which H. defended the evil-doer. Her testimony bore hard upon the prisoner, and in the cross examination H. endeavored in vain to confuse or irritate her.

At length, turning abruptly to the witness, he exclaimed, "Madam, you have brass enough in your face to make a twelve-quart pail!"

"Yes," replied the witness, "and you have got sass enough in your head to fill it!"

The lawyer had done with that witness.

It Stopped the Gambling.

A good story is told of a certain colonel in connection with an inspection of a crack rifle corps which he commanded.

The inspection passed off satisfactorily; there were no complaints, and the regiment was evidently in good order.

"But," said the inspecting general, "I am bound to tell you, colonel, that rumors have reached me of gambling being carried on extensively among your officers."

"That may have been the case, sir," said the colonel, "some months ago; but I can assure you that nothing of the kind is in vogue now, because I've won all the ready money in the regiment, and I would not allow any gambling on credit."

BOARD GETS CASH

BILL TO PAY PRESIDENT'S ARBITRATION COMMISSION.

IS PASSED IN THE HOUSE

Missouri Member Condemns Roosevelt—Measure Goes Through Without Division, After Attempt to Include John Mitchell is Voted Down.

WASHINGTON.—The house on Wednesday passed the bill appropriating \$50,000 to defray the expense of the strike commission and then adjourned until Friday, when the London dock charge bill will be considered.

There were two hours discussion on the commission bill, in which the president's action was highly commended, except by Mr. Burton (Mo.) who contended that the commission was created without authority of law and constitution.

There was some criticism of the clause allowing double salaries to members of the commission now in government employ, and also of that leaving the amount of compensation of members to the president. But all amendments were voted down. The bill was passed without division.

The speaker announced the appointment of the following committees:

To Visit the Naval Academy—Messrs. Watson, (Ind.), A dams, (Pa.), and Clark, (Mo.).

To Visit the Military Academy—Messrs. Hull, (Ia.), Steele, (Pa.), and DeArmond, (Mo.).

The house then went into committee of the whole, Mr. Grosevor (O.), in the chair, and took up the coal strike commission bill.

Before the discussion began Mr. Gaines (Tenn.) stated that he decided to offer an amendment. The chair having ruled that amendments were not in order at this time, Mr. Cannon, in charge of the bill, agreed that the amendment should be read for information. It proposed to place anathracite on the free list.

Mr. Burton (Mo.), a member of the appropriations committee, to whom Mr. Cannon yielded, declared that he could not support the bill. The president, he said, had no legal authority to create the commission and the bill besides placed \$50,000 in the president's hands without any limitation.

Mr. Livingston (Ga.) and Underwood (Ala.) supported the bill, although they agreed that the president's action was irregular.

Mr. Bailey (Ga.) said the president had acted patriotically. Mr. Cochran (Mo.), Mr. Feeley, (Ill.), Mr. Gaines, (Tenn.) and Mr. Maddox, (Ga.), endorsed the act of the president.

Mr. Hemenway (Ind.) and Mr. Lacey (Ia.) warmly defended the course of the president, the latter characterizing it as one of the "boldest" acts in the history of the executive.

Mr. McDermott (N. J.) pointed out that the strike commission had no power behind it. He thought it should be given power to make an investigation and report its findings to congress.

Mr. Cannon (Ill.) argued that the bill should pass in the form in which it was presented. If the president's action had been without authority of law or constitution, it had been taken in response to an overwhelming public sentiment.

The bill passed without division.

TRUST BILLS CONSIDERED.

Discussion of Measure Entailing Publicity on Combines.

WASHINGTON.—The subcommittee of the house judiciary committee, consisting of Representatives Littlefield (Me.), Thomas (Ia.) and Clayton (Ala.), to which was referred the anti-trust bills, met on Wednesday. One of the bills before the committee proposes an amendment to the Sherman anti-trust law and another provides for publicity.

Considerable attention was devoted to consideration of the latter, which requires all corporations engaged in interstate commerce to file returns disclosing their true financial condition and their capital stock and imposes a tax upon such as have outstanding capital stock unpaid in whole or in part.

While no conclusions were reached, good progress was made and the committee hopes to be able to report before the holiday recess.

ENGLAND TAKES FIRM STAND.

She will Not Permit Cattle in Bond to Pass.

OTTAWA, Ont.—Sydney Fisher, minister of agriculture, received a cablegram Tuesday afternoon from Lord Strathcona, in London, stating that the imperial government would not approve of cattle being shipped in bond through the state of Maine to St. Johns for Halifax. Neither will the imperial government allow cattle to be transported in ships that have touched at any New England port until twenty-one days after they have cleared from that port.

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