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The Mystery of the Conways.

There was something strange about the Conways of North Aberdeen something which seemed to pass, with the old manor line, stretching far back into the colonial days, when the grant had been made to

had lived a long life, but each one at length and convulsed by some awful visitation from God. So unvarying this ending that it had come to be regarded as natural and commonplace. "The old man went off the reg'lar way," the rustics would comment. 'Well, there's a long life at any rate afore the young 'un need fret, and never a sign of sickness.

By the family, also, this trait was acepted equably, and was very seldom referred to in conversation. When one seems to have to in conversation. When one seems to have the assurance of life and health until three-score and ten, the manner of one's taking off thereafter can not be a constant or poignant apprehension. At all events, it was nant apprehension. At all events, it was speedy when it came; one terrific wrench, eyes, was tricky and small; that he hated there she made a fatal mistake. Of course, and the barriers between sleep and death now because he could not love, and sought it fell short; and as she stooped to pick it up and the barriers between sleep and death were burst asunder. And there was a distinction in such a demise; the owner of Edgewood manor seemed to be marked by fate, even as he was removed from other men by strength and wealth, by pride in his ancestors and devotion to their traditions

On the single occasion when old Benjamin Conway spoke of this fatality to his nephew Fabian, who was to be his heir, he illustrated well the family view.

"You will soon be Conway of Edgewood, my boy," the old man said, "I am already 70, and only one of our line, Sebastian, who died just 100 years ago, has ever exceeded this age by a year. I feel hale and strong. day of their death. It would seem as if to compensate for the mystery that there was a condition precedent of a sound mind in a sound body. I for one wouldn't alter the consequent if I could. I like to feel that as ways, so shall my death be similar to theirs. if mortality generally was limited to one sharp instant pain, the world would be a happier place. So I look forward with equanimity, even as I know you will. It is a comfort, too, for me to know that you and Constance will have lived with me for so long a time that your succession will impose no luxury to s new or strange duties. You will exercise in the city. the same supervision of the house, I'm sure; the regular repairs in the fall, the cleansing in the spring. You will keep up the breeds of horses and cattle which our race have made famous, reserving a black stallion of the Norfell stairs for made ramous, reserving a black stallon of the Norfolk strain for your own personal use. You will keep to the rotation of crops, and the system of top-dressing. You will grow the Weldon strawberries exclusively for the family table, and always take your morning draught from the master's spring. You will insist on our inalienable right to square pew in the village church, and

to the vault under the chancel." "Yes, yes, my dear sir," replied Fabian. "I will do all these things when I have to, but I fervently pray that you may prove an exception in longevity to the gen-eral rule of the Conways, if for no other on than the selfish one that you manage affairs so admirably, and that we are so

cause I choose to bring my ward. Nellie Lane, to live with us, notwithstanding that they are old schoolmates and—" "You should rather say 'because,' uncle," explained Fabian, gently, "Constance does disapprove of Miss Lane because she thinks er selfish and giddy."

"That's a dangerous rule to establish for he exclusion of young women," grumbled Charlie Parks, is hopelessly infatuated with Miss Lane, and—"

"I don't see why 'hopeless.' And does your wife propose to reserve all infatuation for herself? "But, uncle," pleaded Fabian, "she thinks that Miss Lane has been wrong in the way she has persistently refused Dr. Quinby." "Good Lord! Constance will be establish-ing a matrimonial agency yet. Couldn't you gently suggest to her that such matters ar the personal concerns of my ward?" "I thought you used to give my wife credit

for sound sense and good judgment," said Fabian, rather sulkily. "I used to, yes. But there—there. I've heard all this before, and its repetition is quite useless. You will find one of the privieges of Conway of Edgewood is to have his will in his own house. My ward comes on the morrow, and I expect her to receive all

the consideration due to my ward. You might mention this to Constance." And on the morrow Miss Lane did arrive at the manor house, and was welcomed coldly by Constance, carelessly by Fabian, and with cindness by her guardian, all of which differences she apparently accepted as natural and proper in the persons showing them. No casual observer would be apt to apply Con-stance's epithets to Miss Lane. Her main stance's epithets to Miss Lane. characteristics seemed to be serenity, as far removed from galety as it was from morose-ness. She was at once at home—at once, one might almost say, familiar with the daily routine. She fitted into a place unassum-ingly, yet there never was the slightest doubt as to her sole right to it. She never obtruded herself; that seemed to be a duty somehow imposed on circumstances; at all events, it gradually came about that the same asual observer would have taken Miss Lane or the daughter of the house, and Constance

or the ward, entertained on sufferance, if not through charity.

Naturally, Constance did not like this change, by whatever assumption produced; and what she didn't like Fabian, as a dutiful husband, detested. There occurred some unwonted and unseemly scenes of dis-sension in the old manor, in which the master, his heir, and his heir's wife took part, and Miss Lane only appeared as a passive spectator. She neither pleaded for peace nor offered her departure as an attoning sacrifice. If anything, her mien in-dicated that the others were acting very much like children—a part which she could not, if she would, undertake. Matters culminated in extremes, just as a prize fight is apt to be finished under the ropes. Fabian and Constance started in a huff for town, without a word of farewell to the master, while Miss Lane waved an adleu from the porch with the affablity of a hostess speeding the parting guest.

ing the parting guest!
What, then, was the cause of this breach so disadvantageous to the young couple? It was composed of various parts not alto-

Eghtful, was rendered odious to through the knowledge that she was not the attraction. Sisterly affection sometimes excels passion in jealous capability. It seemed cruel, that it did, that the one she house and the great, estate known as Edge-wood, from father to son. Each one of the was mostly a matter of worldly prideshould be so inconsiderate to her wishes and warnings. If he could only see with her eyes, he would shrink as ardently as he had lived a long life, but each one at length had been found dead in his bed, twisted all men her brother Charlie was the most hat, Constance liked Dr. Randall Quinby

of Aberdeen in a purely platonic way, for its the generous that are likely to be the now because he could not love, and sought to injure because he could not cherish, but yet she listened. Some servant's gossip, too, reached her through her rather upheld the doctor's statement. Servants always look with suspicion on unselfish kindness; perhaps from the principle that what is stra' e should be clouted. And old Benjamin c ainly was kind to Miss Lane. In striving not to make any distinction in Constance's favor he did make a difference in her despite. Ever since her marriage she had ruled as a queen; it was hard now to have to share, and with one so distasteful It was hard to have presents given in duplicate and to realize, when admiring, that her rival had the same cause for gratification. Old Benjamin's generosity, which in the good old days had been so fecund of delightful surprises, now became the source of slights and exasperations.

Constance did not have the faculty of cast-

consequent if I could. I like to feel that as ing aside troubles. They increased within during life I have done as the other Con | her until they crowded out prudence, discretion, almost decency itself. One day at luncheon some chance gesture of old Benjamin, not a caress, but partaking of a caress' gentleness, set the mob within his niece's breast in motion. She stormed, and Miss Lane smiled and the old man grew sarcastic. And so she and Fabian went forth luxury to seek the narrow lodgings of pride Narrow lodgings, indeed; for pride with-

out possessions is like a soldier without munitions, instructed only to its own impotence. Fabian had no business and no esources, save a liberal allowance, which, like all liberal allowances, was always half spent before it was due. The heir of the Conways was expected to wait at Edgewood; that was all. But now Constance chose to wait in the city, and, of course, her wish ruled Fabian. They thus showed their independence; but this commodity is not only costly, but rapidly consumed; little by little its procuring was exhausting their ready means.

After a few weeks it became necessary for the young people to seek still narrower lodgings—but oh! what a depressing task this was for Constance. It seemed as if the meaner her surroundings the more conaffairs so admirably, and that we are so happy in our freedom from care. Constance was saying this merning that our married life is as bliesful as that of our first parents, since, like theirs, it is spent in paradise."

Old Benjamin looked grave. "And yot," he objected, "Constance is unhappy because I choose to bring my ward. Nellie as irritating to have him around; there was such a difference between a lazy man with tempt[ble, too, became the impulses of her heart. It startled her often to analyze her so irritating to have him around; there was such a difference between a lazy man with plenty of avocations and a lazy man nothing to do. Then, though Charlie knew where they were, he had never come nor even written; and yet the Chichester works were only twenty miles distant. Moreover, Mrs. Buffum, the housekeeper, kept writing from Edgewood; the good old soul, she meant no possible harm, but it did seem that if a noying details, she would have been a facile winner. All the servants, the old woman wrote, were so fond of Miss Lane, she was so gentle and such little trouble. And they did hope that the master would marry her. He was young for his years, for a fact, and perhaps now that he had passed 70 he had avoided the dreadful fate of the Conways. He was monstrous fond of her, any one with half are eye could see that

half an eye could see that. One day Fablan and Constance moved into new and poorer quarters, and in the midst of trunks and boxes were striving to convert the desert into home. Both were honestly starving, but Fabian, true to nature, was accomplishing naught, except to good his wife's vehemence by his blunders. And Constance really wasn't requiring any urging. The confusion alone was sufficient; besides, she detested the mean aspect of the rooms. the snuffy appearance of the landlady, and the frowsiness of the serving maid, who already showed signs of undaunted familiarity In the very midst of the bustling, stumbling, hectoring and excusing Fabian suddenly thrust his hands into his pockets, and then drew them high in air, exclaiming: "My purse! Where is it? I've been robbed!"

"Fabian," cried Constance, "is it possible that you couldn't even hold anything? Why you haven't the intelligence of a box. this is a little too much. Now kindly inform rous is a little too much. Now kindly inform me what you are going to do?"

Fabian held out ruefully a handful of small change. "We can hardly live on this," he said; "we might go home, I suppose we could get there by freight."

"Never!" protested Constance. "Never

"Never!" protested Constance. "Never will I submit to the insults of that creature; she would be patronizingly kind, you know she would. No, there is but one thing to be done-you must go at once to Chichester and get help from Charile. You can be back by midnight. And, mind, have him pin whatever he gives you in your inside pocket." And Fabian hurried away like a school boy released from punishment.

Constance continued her work, but with Constance continued her work, but with troubled mind. Fabian had served as a sort of safety valve for her irritability, but now it surged and seethed within her uncontrolled. Of course, he would make a mess of his mission, and then—what could they do except as he suggested—go home by freight? Constance pictured and repictured the scenes of her humiliation. How old Benjamin would sheer and jest how the service. jamin would sneer and jest, how the serv ants would wonder; how Nellie Lane would try to be considerate. The certainty of this latter especially perturbed Constance. If her former schoolmate would only quarrel; if only for once they might exchange frank opinions, then, perhaps, they might become friends, or, at least, observe a respectful truce. But Nellie would do nothing of the sort, she knew she wouldn't; she would per-sist in remaining gentle and quiet and firm, and above all, sweet, that acme of all disagreeable qualities! And yet she was no better than anyone else if the truth were told. Hadn't she filted Dr. Quinby and begether homogeneous for envy is seidem logical. In the first place, Charile Parks fooled poor Charile and allured old Benjakept coming to Edgewood, and this freman? But that very morning Constance had quency, which should have been so depreceived a letter from Mrs. Buffam, the

housekeeper, containing more facts and in-ferences favoring this match of the master's. Constance, in her heart, knew better; she realized that only her own perversity had prevented the announcement of the engagement between Miss Lane and Charlie; but yet, when one is bound to fret, the false and the true are alike in continuing the flames.

It was late in the evening when she had nearly finished her task, and consequently was nearly finished herself, that Constance came across a little French bonnet, a dainty nest of violets and dark-blue ribbon, and in a sud-den frenzy tore it into bits. It had been one of the first gifts from old Benjamin after his ward's arrival, and the very first of which Miss Lane had received the duplicate. Now it happened that just prior to this outburst the undaunted maid had been in the root gathering together the rubbish, and had dis-tinguished the bonnet with these remarks. "Oh, mem, shure and 'tis an illegant little hat. And phat did it cost, if ya don't mind

and where did ye get it now?"

Consequently, when Constance reflected on what she had done, she was averse to furof Aberdeen in a purely platonic way, for the done, she was averse to furter the generous that are likely to be the passionate. The doctor was affable and obliging, with the habit of saying little malicious things in confidence. Of late, especially since Charlie had proved so persistent, the little malicious things had been said concerning Miss Lane. The doctor she was a little ashamed of her peevishness that are likely to be the domestic inquiry or surmise. But what she had done, she was averse to further domestic inquiry or surmise. But what she had done, she was averse to further there domestic inquiry or surmise. But what she had done, she was averse to further there domestic inquiry or surmise. But what she had done, she was averse to further there domestic inquiry or surmise. But what she had done, she was averse to further there domestic inquiry or surmise. But what she had done, she was averse to further there domestic inquiry or surmise. But what she had done, she was averse to further there domestic inquiry or surmise. But what she had done, she was averse to further there domestic inquiry or surmise. But what she had done, she was averse to further there domestic inquiry or surmise. But what she had done, she was averse to further there domestic inquiry or surmise. But what she had done, she was averse to further there domestic inquiry or surmise. hinted that she had made private inquiries and preferred to keep it to herself. After as to the salary Parks received as resident all, the removal of the pieces was a simple chemist at the Chichester Aniline works, matter. The night was dark, the street and with dissatisfaction, and that the neight quiet, and in any event no one knew her. vate grounds. She tossed the bundle, and for another attempt a heavy hand was laid on her shoulder and a gruff voice demanded: "Here! here! what are you trying to make away with, young woman?" And as she straightened herself, there, close beside her.

was a stolid and substantial policeman. Constance was frightened, the situation was so foreign to her habit; she was thoroughly frightened, as is the case with a determined woman when she loses her self-possession. "I—don't—know," she faltered, and then stood trembling with downcast face like a lass caught piffering.
"Then it's my business to find out," replied

the officer, grimly. "There's an alert for a young woman of about your style. "There's an alarm down to the lamp post with me like a good girl."

Like a good girl. Constance choked with ire to think that the mistress of Edgewood should have come to such a title; and in so choking lost precious moments for explana-tion. The officer led her to the corner, and, still keeping his hand through her arm opened the package. "What's this?" he exclaimed. "A bonnet of violets and blue ribbons, all torn, and

about to be secreted? Casey. I believe you're in luck! Young woman, I must take you in. Walk along peacefully with me to the station house on the next block, and nobody will be the wiser. If you get rampageous, though, patrol wagon; and you have to be good and ight, mind you, to enjoy the full benefits of ride in that conveyance. So, do comong like a good girl, now won't you?" Constance gained a transient courage

"How dare you?" she demanded haughtily."Do you know who I am? I am Mrs. Conway of Edgewood, North Aberdeen, and my people will have you punished for this out-

"Look at that now; the very name!" the officer exultantly, "Conway of Edge-wood for a thousand bones. Young woman, you come right along, or I'll put the strings on you, that I will." And as Constance saw some passers-by stopping and gazing curi-ously, she fairly clung to the officer and

there was a soldferly looking sergeant seated behind the desk in the low, ill-lighted seated behind the deak in the low, ill-lighted room, who listened gravely to the officer's excited report, commented, "What, another one of them?" and then turned compassionately toward Constance. "I must caution you," he said, "to be careful what you say, for your words might be used against you."
"What do you mean?" asked Constance "What right have you to treat me faintly.

"There has been a general alarm," ex-plained the sergeant, "for a young woman dressed in black and wearing a small violet

in a tremble, "of what am I accused?"

"You are wanted on suspicion of having have been caused by something which they caused the death of Benjamin Conway of themselves have done. They were all pe-North Aberdeen by poison. Didn't the officer tell you?' Then Constance burst into a rapid, inco

herent recital of her actions, to which the sergeant listened with courteous attention. "Can't you send for your busband?" he suggested; "or, if he's out of town, as you say, can't the people in your boarding house youch for you?" and on merely receiving more incoherence, he announced decisively "What you say may all be true, madam, bu I consider it my duty to detain you. You may communicate with your friends, but there are several suspicious circumstance which will have to be explained. We really have no proper accommodations here women, but you shall be as private and comwomen, but you shall be as private and com-fortable as possible. I wouldn't put you in a cell, and the only other place is the upper room, which is already occupied by a young woman who is held on a similar charge.

Casey, just show the way." Constance proceeded up the stairs, and was shown into a large, gloomy room. The door was locked. She stepped forward to throw herself on the narrow couch, when out from the window embrasure darted a girlish form, which surrounded her with loving arms and drew her head down on a tender

"Don't you know me, dear?" asked a calm, gentle voice, and Constance, looking up through her tears, saw her late uncie's "Nellie!" cried the poor woman, hysterically. "I was never so glad in all my

life to see any one. Promise, oh, promise me, that you won't leave me, and I'll love you forever and ever."
"There, there!" said Nellie, soothingly "I'll not leave you, never fear. And really, we can be quite comfortable here together. You see, we are perfectly safe; that's a nice, fatherly man down at the desk, and then the door is locked, you know. Now. let me take your hat and straighten up your hair a bit, and here's some of the

cologne you used to like. And if you'll lie down and let me sit and talk to you, you'll

be asleep before you know it, and

will come morning, and Fabian, and "You are an angel!" vowed Constance "Simply and purely an angel, and I must be possessed by a legion of devils not to have perceived it. And so I did, all along, out I was too mean, too spiteful-"Now, if I'm going to take care of you," interrupted Nellie, smilingly, "I must interdict such exaggeration, it's feverish you know. But tell me, before it is too late,

where is Fabian?" "He is with Charlie." "Oh, that's all right; then they both will e here soon. I telegraphed for Charlie two LOUIS SEO.

hours \$50."
"Thank God!" ejaculated Constance.
"Thank God that you and Charlie are
lovers. But ch. Constance, what does this
all mean? Is poor Uncle Benjamin dead?" all mean? "Yes, he was found dead in his bed early this morning. You know the tradition about the death of the Conways? Well, it was fulfilled literally in his case. Oh! Constance, such a dreadful end, such an awful mystery! The coroner came with his physician and insisted on an investigation; a thing never before heard of in the history of the family. And then there was great excitement and all sorts of rumors, culminating finally in the statement that Dr. Quinby had found undoubted signs of mineral poisoning. And

"Dr. Quinby? Oh, Nellie! now I understand. But why should they suspect me? And what will they do to me? Keep me in this hole, try, convict and execute me?"

"Dear no. Constance. You will be released at once. Your arrest was a mistake. They

at once. Four arrest was a inistage. They were after me, you know."

"Oh how selfish I san! I never thought to ask why you were here. But what a chame, what an outrage! And you take it, as you do everything else, with the serenity of an arrest."

"I'm used to trouble," explained Neilie;
"I've always had plenty of it. But to go on with my story. As I said, Dr. Quinby found signs of mineral pulsoning, and you know he doesn't like me. I don't want to be unjust, but, Constance, I think he is the cause of my

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present situation. At all ements, I kept noticing that people avoided me, and while they whispered and pointed, when I approached they ceased. At first I didn't know what to do, I was so alone, so isolated. I had tele-graphed for Fabian, but no answer came; finally I heard that the message could not be delivered. Then I resolved to come to town and seek him. I made my preparations, and, though once or twice I thought I was about to be stopped, no one molested me. I arrived safely and went to your address, only to find that you had moved without leaving any direction. Then, as I wan wandering in the hope of happening across one or the other of you, an officer told me to come with him, and,

course, I obeyed." 'My poor darling!" cried Constance. "That wretch! that unspeakable wretch, Dr. Quinby, did it out of revenge? And to think that I have treated him as a friend!" "I believe he's more malicious than wicked.

There seems to be no doubt that my guardian was actually poisoned. The wrong was in trying to place the guilt on me."
"But how could he have been poisoned? Who is there that would murder an inoffendor old man?"
"That's it; who is there except the young

woman who was currently reported to enter-tain all sorts of intrigues for her own ad-vancement? But I've had an opportunity to ponder for the last few hours, and I feel dressed in black and wearing a small violet bonnet. You are black; you are found trying to conceal fragments of a violet bonnet; you give no explanation of the matter, except to mention the name of the very man—" to pender for the last few hours, and I feet there must be an explanation, simple and without criminality. Why, just remember that everyone of the long line of Conways mention the name of the very man—" has died in this same frightful way; now, "Oh. tell me," interrupted Constance, all I couldn't have poisoned the others, could I? culiar, you know; rigid in adherence to certain customs and privileges. For instance—"
But here the key turned in the lock, the
door opened, and Fabian and Charlie rushed
into the arms of their distressed lady loves. After explanations had been exchanged it apparent that Constance eadily released, but she strenuously opposed

the suggestion. "Not for my life," she protested. "I want to have trouble, so that I may become a beautiful character like Nellie." And so the two men hurried away to take those steps for the joint vindication which had courred to Miss Lone during her hours of

There was a crushing crowd in the coroner's little court room at North Aberdeen on the day set for the hearing. All the on the day set for the hearing. All the villagers, tenants and servants, to whom pride in the Conways was a matter of inheritance, as well as of education, now rushed to witness the humiliation of the Dr. Quinby was omnipresent in bustling importance; not saving much to any one person, but conferring, generally, glances of impending revelation. At the right of the desk sat the two prisoners, Constance and Nellie, side by side, and hand in hand. After some necessary preliminary testimony as to the finding of the body, etc., Dr. Quinby took the stand and showed by infallible tests that death had been produced

through mineral poisoning.

Then it was that the coroner, after a whispered consultation with Charlie, swore Fablan Conway as a witness, and examined him on a divergent line. "Yes," Fablan de-"I am the nephew and heir of the ambition was to follow implicitly in the footsteps of his ancestors. Their customs were law to him. Whatever they were wont to do, he did. For instance, he always rode a stallion of the Norfolk strain, and suffered no one else to ever mount him. variably drank, each morning, a draught from an ancient well, known as the 'Master's Spring,' and suffered no one else to taste of this spring here in this vial. I drew it this morning and sealed it, and it has not

been out of my possession since." Then it was that Charlie Parks stepped forward and subjected the water to the same tests that Dr. Quinby had employed, and lo! the presence of that same mineral poison therein was infallibly shown.

And then it was that a learned biologist from the city college demonstrated how, after years of habitual use of this water, there would be an accumulation of the poison in the system sufficient to cause death, even though, while so slowly accumulating, it had been conducive to good health. And so the mystery of the Conways was at last clucidated, and the indies were discharged with the applogles of the court for the indignity to which they had been subjected.

"Try a course of that water, doctor," sug-gested Constance to the discomfited Quinby. But the physician left the neighborhood long before a daily draught could have accom-And the spring plished its perfect work. was filled up, and thus the Conways in com-mon with mankind became subject to the vicissitudes of mortality.

Fabian, however, was never heard to com-plain because he had lost the assurance of

reaching three score and ten; perhaps he felt that in true domestic felicity he possessed the real prophylatic of longevity. Don't invite disappointment by experimenting. Depend upon One Minute Cough Cure and you have immediate relief. It cures croup. The only harmless remedy that produces immediate results.

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