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A fine mist had blown in from the ocean. Robert Vale turned up his coat collar, but continued along the board walk. The mist grew into rain and some of the drops trickled down Vale's neck. He was opposite the twenty-five-cent theater which presented an hysterical display of yellow and black posters announcing the nightly performance of the Gay Deceivers, when the rain began.

Even a cheap, sea-side music hall was preferable to raindrops. Vale purchased a ticket and made his way to the third row of seats. Should the long lines of ancestors from whom Vale had inherited his aristocratic bearing—and a few millions—witness his entrance to the small theater they would no doubt wish they had held back at least the millions.

In spite of lineage, gold and himself, Vale drew a breath of surprised interest when the curtain went up. The stage pictured a gipsy encampment, rich and warm with the colors of the nomads.

On the steps of the open cavern two of the tribe were singing a love duet; a third lolled against a tree strumming his musical instrument while a fourth lay propped by her elbow in the glow of the camp fire.

It was upon the latter's face that Robert Vale's interest became riveted; her wide gray eyes seemed to hold all the shadows in the world, but her lips smiled—smiled with uncertain bravery.

"By Jove!" muttered Vale, "what a beauty! And I have wasted two nights gazing into shallow eyes when I could have looked at these fathomless ones. Wonder what her name is? Nadine." Vale had taken his eyes from the girl long enough to glance at his program.

The big gipsy lolled against the tree had burst into song. Vale realized that the voice was good, but he wished the applause would cease. Nadine's name was next on the program.



A Fine Rain Began to Fall.

She neither moved from her position by the fire nor seemed to come out of her reverie when she began to sing. Her voice was of the low timber to which the heart instantly responds—a voice not fully developed nor yet quite finished. The plaintive gipsy love song kept her audience tense.

Robert Vale had often felt the sorcery in women's eyes or been bewitched by a rough smile, but this sense of complete thrill to a music hall singer's charm was quite a new experience. He tried to throw off the fascination and turned his eyes toward the other gipsy, but it was of no use; Nadine's personality held sway.

Much to his own amusement he resented the audience; he felt that he would like Nadine to be singing to him alone.

Vale walked home after the theater trying to tell himself that the girl was a music hall artist in a twenty-five-cent theater; that she was no doubt the wife of one of the gipsies and that she probably wore drabbed willow plumes on the street.

Notwithstanding these conjectures he went every night following while the Gay Deceivers played, which was something less than a fortnight.

Against his better judgment Vale attempted to write a note to Nadine asking for a meeting. He hoped to become disillusioned, but something stayed his pen and the gipsies journeyed on.

Later, during the winter, Vale realized that the very nature of his regard had prevented him approaching her in the usual way. However, he knew that she had been conscious of his presence and on the last night Nadine had worn a cluster of his roses.

During the winter Vale went to every variety theater in New York with the hope that he would again see the girl who haunted his thoughts.

One day in early spring Vale started out for his Sunday morning walk. As he neared Forty-second street a fine rain began to fall.

Rather than return to his apartments Vale decided to go up the two blocks and attend service at a Fifth avenue church.

He took a seat near the back of the church. The only other occupant of the pew was a little old lady who, during the service, fumbled first with her chains and then with her rings until finally one of the latter rolled to the floor.

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Vale stooped to look for it. "It has escaped my reach," he whispered to her. "I will get it after service."

During the offertory anthem a rich contralto voice floated out over the big church. Vale started. The voice was familiar yet not familiar; it held the same intense timbre as the voice of Nadine, but these tones came forth with the control of a master.

"From music hall to soloist in one of the best churches in the city is a big jump," thought Vale, "besides, it takes money to study for this kind of work."

He strained his eyes to get a glimpse of the singer, but it was no use. The rows of girls on each side of the chancel seemed to be identical, one with the other.

When the church was emptying he remembered his duty toward his companion in the pew. He must search for her ring.

In the semi-darkness of the church it was not an easy task and Vale was down on his hands and knees in a far corner of the church when he heard a musical voice.

"Granny—what in the world are you doing in this dark church—I thought you were lost!"

"I dropped my ring. This gentleman—"

Vale's head bobbed up from behind a seat, flushed but victorious. "Oh—!" Diana Wells started; then, upon searching the man's face from beneath her wide drooping hat, a swift color mounted her cheeks.

"My name is Robert Vale," he said quickly to cover the confusion which he knew was hers. He could never mistake those fathomless gray eyes, though they seemed even more dark and mysterious. He supposed it was the different setting. Her hair was deep Titian and the gipsy's had been inky black. "Here is your ring," he turned toward the little old woman.

"Thank you," she said simply. "My name is Wells. This is my granddaughter, Diana." She looked lovingly at the girl. "Diana traveled all last summer with a variety company so she could take her old granny to the seaside."

Diana met Vale's eyes with a smile. "Granny thinks I am a wonder because I took her to all the seaside resorts and gave myself equal pleasure."

"Not to speak of those who heard you," put in Vale with a half inquiring glance. "You knew me then?"

"She hid from the expression in his eyes. "The roses were lovely," she said finally. "I asked the usher who had sent them."

"They turned and went slowly out of the church, but before they passed out through the big bronze doors Vale drew near Diana Wells.

"If one of the choristers should be married in this church what would they do about filling her place for the wedding chorus?"

"They would have to get a substitute soprano," said Diana Wells. "It would be a contralto in this case," confided Vale.

STORIES OF BEECHER FAMILY Henry Ward Says His Aged Father Was Like a Traveler Who Sent His Mental Possessions Before Him.

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TALES OF KINGS' CROWNS

Alfred the First English Monarch to Wear One—Richard II. Once Pawned His.

The first English king who wore a crown was Alfred, A. D. 871. Long prior to that date we know that a crown was worn by the Roman king, Tarquin. And in the Bible it is told how the Amalekites brought Saul's crown to David. But the early crowns were not as they are now. At first merely a fillet of cloth was used, then a garland, and, later on, cloth adorned with pearls. The popes gradually developed this emblem of kingship, and in A. D. 925 Athelstan, king of England, wore a modern earl's coronet. In 1066 William the Conqueror added a coronet, with pearls, to his ducal cap. The crosses on the crowns of England were introduced by Richard III, and the "arches" were added by Henry VII. in 1485. Richard II., as most people know, was at one time in such a needy condition that he pawned his crown and regalia to the city of London for \$10,000.

Common Sense and Science. It can now be seen how little truth there is in Huxley's much quoted dictum that science is organized common sense. That is precisely what science is not. Science is a wholly different kind of knowledge from common sense at almost every point. To common sense, the sun revolves about the earth; to science, the contrary is an established fact. To common sense, a planet is still and stationary; to science it is a group of rapidly revolving centers of energy. To common sense water is a true element; to science, it is a compound of atoms of the familiar hydrogen and oxygen. To common sense, the Rosetta stone is a bit of brick covered with more or less regular markings, probably with a decorative purpose; to science, it is the key to a forgotten language and the open door to knowledge of a lost civilization.—From a lecture on Philosophy by Nicholas Murray Butler.

As the Boy Had Suggested. "Do you remember, my boy," asked the father, kindly but firmly, "that in your studies you suggested that actions spoke louder than words?" "Yes, sir," said the boy with a grin that he did not feel.

Woman's Culture. It is not the wish of the advocates of the higher culture of woman's powers to withdraw her from her existing spheres of interest and activity, but rather to fit women for the more enlightened performance of their special duties, to help them toward learning how to do better what they have to do, whether as members of society alone or in the higher walks of a mother's or a teacher's duties, or in any of the arts or professions which may be chosen by them.

The work that many women are doing nobly now, without instruction, how much more nobly and efficiently would they be able to do if they had been taught!

What He Was Doing. As the Wellmer family were returning from a trip a tire burst and something went wrong with the car. Of course, Papa Wellmer had to fix it. He said a few things to himself and then proceeded to crawl under the machine. As he was tinkering with it a man, evidently from Egg Harbor walked by and, of course, stopped to find out the trouble.

"Plin! the machine, eh?" he said, stooping down.

"None," said Wellmer, in muffled tones, "just taking a course by mail on raising chickens."

OLD SLEUTH'S FREAK METHOD

Mayor Gaynor Compares It to Certain Ideas of Civil Service Recommended by a German.

Mayor Gaynor, at a dinner in Brooklyn, condemned certain ideas of civil service that a German visitor from Berlin had recommended.

"Those ideas may do well in Berlin," he said, "but I don't think they'd do well here. We are opposed to 'freaks, and this new sort of civil service examination is as freakish as Old Sleuth's."

"Old Sleuth, the detective chief, was once examining a new applicant for the detective bureau. He thrust into the young man's hand a pale mass of ruffles and lace and cambric—a woman's skirt—and:

"Find the pocket in that," he said. "But the applicant shook his head. "No, chief," he admitted frankly. "That's beyond me."

"Then Old Sleuth slapped him heartily on the back. "If you're smart enough, my boy," he cried, "to know it's no use to look for the pocket in a woman's skirt, you're smart enough to be a detective. Here's your star."

Benefit in Blowing Bubbles. "When I was up in the Saranac Lake region recently I was surprised to see a lot of persons in one of the villages blowing soap bubbles," said a New York vacationist just returned from his fortnight's rest. "A good many of these people were middle aged and some were elderly, but all of them had their clay pipes and glasses of soapy water and were vying with each other as to who could make the biggest bubble."

"I inquired of one resident if the place had become a retreat for the mildly insane, and he told me that they were all people who had—or thought they had—weak lungs. A doctor from New York was up there last winter and introduced soap bubble blowing as one of the aids in the cure of consumption. It makes the patients breathe deeply."

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