



EUGENE SUE'S GREAT LABOR OF THE JESUITS AND LABOR REFORM.

(Condensed for the "Witness")

PART SECOND—THE CHAMBERLAIN.

CHAPTER XXXIX.

RESUME.

To explain the arrival of Mlle. de Cardoville at the garden-door of the house occupied by Djalma, we must cast a retrospective glance at previous stages.

After leaving Digne-Baleiner's Mlle. de Cardoville had gone to take up her residence in the Rue d'Anjou. During the last few months of her stay with her aunt, Adrienne had secretly caused this handsome dwelling to be repaired and furnished, and its luxury and elegance were now increased by all the wonders of the lodge of Saint-Dizier House.

The world found it very strange, that a lady of the age and condition of Mlle. de Cardoville should be so completely alone and free, and in fact keeping house exactly like a bachelor, a young widow, or an emancipated minor.

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"Madame, she went downstairs two hours ago; she was wanted for something very pressing."

"Who wanted her?"

"The young person who serves Madame as secretary. She went out on this morning very early, and, as soon as she returned, she sent for Florine, who has not come back since."

"This absence no doubt relates to some important matter, as the angelic minister of succor," said Adrienne, smiling, and thinking of the hunchback. Then she made a sign to Hebe to approach her bed.

About two hours after rising, Adrienne having had herself dressed, as usual, with rare elegance, dismissed her women, and went for Mother Bunch, whom she treated with marked deference, always respecting her alone.

The young seamstress entered hastily, with a pale agitated countenance, and said, in a trembling voice: "Oh, madame! my presence is required at the apartment."

"Of what pretensions do you speak, my dear child?" said Adrienne, with surprise.

"Who betrays me?"

"M. Rodin!" answered the work-girl.

CHAPTER XL.

DOUBTS.

On hearing the accusation brought against Rodin, Mlle. de Cardoville looked at the denunciatrice with astonishment.

"What have you guessed?" resumed the latter. "All the troublesome susceptibility of an unfortunate creature, to whom destiny has decreed a life apart. I have hitherto believed that it is the ignorance of the world, when you wish me to have a seat at your table, and to treat as your friend the poor needlewoman, in whose person you find the simplicity and the ignorance of the misfortunes I had so long shared?"

"Who told you, when I answered with tears of gratitude and regret, that it was not false modesty, but a consciousness of my own ridiculous deformity, that made me refuse?"

"I should have accepted it proudly, in the name of all my low-born sisters? But you replied to me with the touching words: 'I am not worthy to be your friend, it is not occasioned by false modesty, but by a sentiment of dignity that I love and I respect.'"

"Who told you," continued the work-girl, "with increasing animation, 'that I should be happy to be your friend, although I do not treat in this magnificent house, which dazzles me with its splendor? Who guided you in the choice of the apartment (still far too good) that you have provided for me? Who taught me to be so reserved, and to be so kind to the charming creatures that surround you, and whom I love because they love you, I should always feel, by an involuntary comparison, embarrassed and ashamed before them, and I should have preferred to be alone, whenever you wished to speak to me? Yes! who has revealed to you all the painful and secret susceptibilities of a position like mine?'"

"I do not know, madame; but such was my first impression. And this fear was so invincible, that, notwithstanding the kindness that M. Rodin showed my sister, he frightened me."

"Your presentiments?"

"The first time I saw M. Rodin, I was frightened to death. My heart beat within me, and I trembled—for you, madame."

"For me," said Adrienne. "Why did you not tremble for yourself, my poor friend?"

"I do not know, madame; but such was my first impression. And this fear was so invincible, that, notwithstanding the kindness that M. Rodin showed my sister, he frightened me."

"That is strange. I can understand as well as any one the almost irresistible influence of sympathies or repulsions; but in this instance—"

"However," resumed Adrienne, "after a moment's reflection, I am struck with how these suspicious being charged to certainty?"

"Yesterday I went to take to my sister Cephyse, the name of a charitable person, I did not find Cephyse at the friend's who had taken care of her; I therefore begged the postress to inform my sister that I would call on her the following day."

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"I have an idea, which I think a good one. Make my excuses to my mistress; I shall soon be back." Then Florine sent for a hackney-coach, and went out.

"Florine is an excellent girl," said Mlle. de Cardoville, with a sigh, "but she has had quite reassured her; but on this occasion, I think that her zeal and good heart have deceived her, as they have you, my poor friend. Do you know, that we are two madcap women, who, for further relief, have decided to do as we please, and to do it in our own way?"

"How so, madame?"

"The Abbé d'Algrigny fears M. Rodin; he may have sought him out, to extract his bearings. Do you not find this explanation both satisfactory and reasonable?"

"Perhaps so, madame," said Mother Bunch, "but I do not know, if it is probable. But after another silence, and after yielding to a conviction superior to every opposing argument, she exclaimed: 'And yet, no; believe me, madame, you are deceived. I do not find any ground for the supposition that I admit; I believe me, these pretensions are too strong not to be true. And have you not guessed the most secret instincts of my heart? why should I not be able to discern the dangers with which you are menaced?'"

"What do you say?"

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"I beg your pardon, madame," said the girl, casting down her eyes, with a confused and sorrowful air: "you had suspicions, and mezeas 'tis the only way to confirm or to destroy them."

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to much good sense and uprightness, not to appreciate reason, when it appeared—reasonable. The words of Rodin calmed him. With that ingenuous modesty, with which nature has furnished him, he was content with always being in the right."

"You are right, father. I am no longer in my own country. Here, the customs are different. I will reflect upon it."

"Notwithstanding his craft and surliness, and notwithstanding the indignation of the wild and unforeseen ideas of the young Indian. Thus he saw to his great surprise, that Djalma now remained passive for some minutes, as if he had been in a calm sea, but firm tone, he obeyed you, father; I have reflected."

"Well, my dear prince?"

"In no country in the world, under no pretence, about a man of honor, could his friendship for another man be so valued."

"But suppose there should be danger in avowing this friendship?" said Rodin, very uneasy at the turn the conversation was taking.

"I understand your silence, my dear prince: a brave man ought to defy danger. True; but if it should be you that the danger threatened, would not your man of honor be excusable, even praiseworthy, to persist in remaining unknown?"

"I accept nothing from a friend, who thinks me capable of betraying him, from cowardice."

"Dear prince—listen to me."

"Adieu, father."

"Yet reflect?"

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SELLING ITS HONOR.

The State of Louisiana is degrading itself to the lowest level of the most effete of the petty princelings of Europe. The Legislature has succumbed to the bribes offered to it by the lottery schemers, and has passed through its first stages a bill submitting to the vote of the people a constitutional amendment renewing the charter of the State lottery.

EXIT RHODES.

Col. Rhodes is counted out. That the Government had a shrewd suspicion, at least, that the count would not hold good was shown by the way its organs, the Elector, foamed at the mouth when the recent was demanded, and belittled the English electors of the county with the enquiry whether they meant, by insisting on having the man they had elected, to deprive the English of the Province of a seat in the Ministry.

loses a head who for enthusiasm and ability cannot be replaced. In that sense the province will mourn his loss.

A REVOLUTION IN TYPE-SETTING.

It is long that the world has waited for an effective machine to set type, or at least to fulfil the function which types have hitherto fulfilled. "The art preservative of all arts" has, as far as this operation is concerned, preserved itself in statu quo since the time of Faust.

UNFAIR AND VERY UNWISE.

Our Government seem to have laid careful plans to alienate the Newfoundlanders from Canada and to turn them into annexationists. We were mistaken in thinking that the sudden imposition without due warning of a prohibitive tax on newspapers going to Newfoundland had been the result of a clerical slip in the post-office department.

THE CESSION OF HELIGOLAND.

The determination of Mr. Gladstone, Mr. Morley and, we suppose, the Liberal party generally, to condemn the cession of Heligoland to Germany is somewhat surprising. At the time the general effect of the Anglo-German treaty was announced in the Commons Mr. Gladstone was absent and Mr. Morley was leading the Opposition.

COMPENSATION DEFEATED.

The abandonment by the Imperial Government of the licensing clauses of the Local Taxation Bill, or, as the Opposition persisted in terming it, the Publicans' Compensation Bill, completes the victory of the temperance people of the United Kingdom over their enemies in one of the most invidious and dangerous attacks ever made upon the cause of prohibition.

BISMARCK.

Everything we hear about Prince Bismarck since his retirement from the chancellorship tends to show how great a step that was toward constitutional government. Prince Bismarck had lost his parliamentary majority, and, according to the constitutional usage of Britain, from which all lovers of freedom copy, the Chancellor should have tendered his resignation to his sovereign and recommended a successor who might hope to obtain the support of a majority in Parliament.

DEARTH OF SERVANTS.

Was there ever such a dearth of female servants in Montreal as there is now? A lady deserted of necessary assistance advertisements, in no matter what journal, and gets no answer at all. She visits the employment agencies, and meets but imbecile agents.

THE CADET MOVEMENT.

The school year just closed has been marked by a notable development of cadet corps in connection with some of the schools. Whether rightly or wrongly, the Witness has long been an advocate of this system, in view both of the great physical benefit it would be to the boys and of the easy and economic solution which it offers of the problem of military training for the whole nation.

MANAGEMENT OF LONGUE POINTE.

To secure the humane and kindly care, the efficient scientific medical treatment, and the efficient and careful management of the insane is one of the problems of the age which are compelling their governments to work out and solve for them. Before the Christian era the violently insane were treated as demons, thrust out from the presence of their fellowmen and driven into desert places there to live or die as might happen.

THE ORIGINAL PACKAGE SCANDAL.

The death sentence of slavery was pronounced on the day when Chief Justice Taney of the United States gave judgment in the celebrated Dred Scott case that according to the law of the United States a negro had no rights which a white man was bound to respect.

THE FINDING OF THE BRITISH BOARD OF TRADE.

Inquiry into the wreck of the "City of Paris" engine, ascribes the disaster to the "remarkable wearing down of the bushing in the bracket supporting the extreme end of the screw shaft." The design, system of construction and material used in the ship is declared to have been excellent, the conduct of the officers and crew is declared to have been admirable, and the ship herself is pronounced "one of the finest and safest in the merchant navy."

WE ARE INCLINED TO AGREE WITH MR. MERCIER.

Mr. Mercier's organ when it says that if anyone thinks the recent elections were a victory for Liberalism over Nationalism—or, in other words, over Jesuitism—he is greatly mistaken. We have in support of this view not only this distinct assurance, which may be taken as from Mr. Mercier himself, but we have the fact that wherever Liberals came into the field at the recent elections who were obnoxious to the Jesuit party of Mr. Mercier sent out his emissaries, Roman Catholic and Protestant, and defeated them.

THERE IS A SURPLUS IN THE NEW ZEALAND TREASURY.

For the last fiscal year, of over half a million dollars, and the floating debt, which the Atkinson Government of economy received as a legacy from the Stout-Vogel administration of extravagance, has been extinguished and a substantial balance on the right side carried forward. A few years ago New Zealand seemed to be in a very bad financial position, her net debt amounted to sixty pounds per head of her white population, more than half of her annual revenue was eaten up by the debt charges, and, although the taxation amounted to sixteen dollars per head, she was still in debt.

OSMAN DIGNA AND HIS FORCES.

OSMAN DIGNA AND HIS FORCES are probably being driven northward from Tokar by famine, which has prevailed throughout the Soudan for nearly two years. Had their march any purely military purpose it would be directed eastward against Suakim. If the forces survive the march through the country of the Arabs hostile to the Mahdi, which lies between them and Egypt proper, they may possibly give Egypt a good deal of trouble.

A HUNDRED AND FIFTY CHINESE PAID THE FIFTY-DOLLAR POLL TAX.

A HUNDRED AND FIFTY CHINESE PAID THE FIFTY-DOLLAR POLL TAX last year to secure leave to enter Canada. Probably three quarters of these, or an equivalent number, sneaked into the United States, and probably a number equal to the other quarter died without issue.

IF MINNEAPOLIS HAS SUCCEEDED IN SECURING A LARGER POPULATION THAN ST. PAUL.

IF MINNEAPOLIS HAS SUCCEEDED IN SECURING a larger population than St. Paul, either in fact or by cooking the United States census returns, the St. Paulites will be very much inclined to do something desperate. The rivalry between these two sister cities is as intense as it is funny.

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MEXICO HAS NOT HAD A REVOLUTION SINCE PRESIDENT DIAZ CRUSHED LERDO and became a dictator, and the rumors that a general insurrection against this Mexican Bonaparte is pending are probably baseless.

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GENERAL DIAZ, PRESIDENT OF MEXICO, IS AN EXCEPTIONALLY CLEVER POLITICIAN.

GENERAL DIAZ, PRESIDENT OF MEXICO, IS AN EXCEPTIONALLY CLEVER POLITICIAN, and by vetoing a lottery bill which had passed both houses of the Mexican Parliament, he has proved himself to be possessed of some wisdom. A gigantic lottery, such as it was proposed to establish under the vetoed bill in Lower California, is from the point of view of the "practical" politician, a very desirable institution, but it is, in the eyes of a statesman, aside from its immorality, as great an injury as can be inflicted upon a country. It is a source of present profit to its projectors, and the politicians in its pay, but it is necessarily destructive to the national credit, for no financier will trust a nation that gambles, and to the domestic prosperity, because it makes idleness and gambling, not work and saving, appear the way to fortune.







