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## Forsaking all Others

By AMELIA DUGHEMIN

CHAPTER VIII.—(Continued.)

She fully believed in her own reasoning. Harvey was not so confident. He did not understand Mrs. Atherton's silence and complete withdrawal from the scene of action, and Phebe's passivity was incomprehensible. So fully he was [illegible] with the position in which he was placed [illegible] er, and [illegible] ed for [illegible] once [illegible]

[illegible]

coming to the surface, and a new era of feeling had begun.

One day Helen received the long expected summons to Mrs. Atherton's room. She was glad it had come at last; nothing would be gained by the talk, but when everything was explained and definitely understood life would be pleasanter for all concerned. Harvey missed his mother, and for policy's sake a reconciliation was desirable. It could be easily effected now that Gladys had indicated a wish to come to terms. And she obeyed the summons promptly, determined to bring the interview to a successful issue as soon as possible.

She expected to find Mrs. Atherton pale and weak, with the inertia of an invalid; but Gladys' convalescence had been rapid, and she looked even better than she had before her illness. She was fully dressed, and Annette had arranged her hair in the latest style, which chanced to be especially becoming to her delicate beauty. Even Helen felt that it was absurd to [illegible] to consider this radiant woman feeble or incapable.

"I was not prepared to find you so well," she said rather awkwardly, when the greetings were over.

"No? Oh, I am quite myself again. The rest has done me good, and smoothed away incipient wrinkles," answered Gladys. Her tone was conventional, as if she addressed an acquaintance. "I suppose you know why I have sent for you?"

An old feeling of doubt kept Helen silent. She was no longer sure that she did know. This fashionably dressed woman, with the superficial cordiality of manner that holds others aloof more surely than the coldest reserve, seemed a stranger to her. She felt she was not of her world, and the thought gave her an uncomfortable sense of insecurity.

"There seems to be a little difficulty about the household keys," Gladys resumed. "I understand that you wish to deliver them to me in person."

"Yes, if you have fully decided to claim them," said Helen, quickly. "But I hope, as does my husband, that you will leave them in my hands. I am sure you will approve of my methods if you take the trouble to look into them."

"I detest petty details, as you know. You have been very kind to interest yourself in my affairs during my illness, and I hope you will oblige me further by accepting this check for $500," Gladys carelessly pushed the scrap of paper toward her caller and smiled as Helen, with involuntary eagerness, took possession of it, murmuring her thanks. "This closes the matter as far as I am concerned—that is, when you return the keys."

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Helen paused a few moments before answering.

"I really do not feel justified in resigning them until we have talked the subject thoroughly over, Mrs. Atherton, and come to an understanding concerning our general future. This should have been done when my husband came of age. It is true you have told him that he has no direct claim upon your money, but he is one of his grandfather's heirs, and in passing him over the old man committed an act of injustice which we hope you are too honorable to perpetuate."

Gladys bit her lip to prevent herself from making a sharp reply. This self-conscious young woman, with her cut and dried platitudes and implicit belief in her own virtues, brought every bit of evil in her to the surface.

"No doubt you reason correctly from your point of view, but you are not informed concerning the facts," she said calmly. "To return to the matter in hand, it is absolutely necessary for [illegible]

[illegible]

"Oh, my friend, I leave him in your hands; you have shown yourself so well able to manage his affairs that I shall not even offer a suggestion."

Under the circumstances the words were cruel, but there is a touch of the tiger in every woman outraged by ingratitude and injustice, and Gladys was very human.

Helen [illegible] She put her hand to her throat to still its telltale throbbing.

"I leave it with you to tell your husband my decision," Gladys continued, undisturbed by her silent rage. "He can readily find other quarters within a month. Phebe will remain here for a few weeks to superintend the packing of the furniture and close the house. By that time you will be settled somewhere. The furniture in your own rooms and the nursery, with Harvey's piano, books, pictures, easel, everything, in short, that he accumulated during his boyhood and youth I regard as his, and Phebe will see that it is sent to you. I think there is nothing more to be said."

A few moments of silence ensued; then Helen said in a choked tone:

"So this is your revenge—this my reward."

"Don't waste words," Gladys broke in, "nor talk fustian. I am only doing what I should have done when Harvey married. I wanted to go to the city then; but I had a foolish idea that I was necessary to him, and so remained. Now I find I am not necessary, and count for nothing in his life. I intend to take myself out of it."

"A man should forsake all others and cleave to his wife," said Helen, piously.

"Do you know I fancy you worshipful wives construe that passage rather too literally?" said Gladys, in the half philosophical, half mocking way Helen found new in her, and which held her at an impassable distance. "No one will deny that when a man marries a woman he should forsake all other strange women, and keep to the one he has chosen, or who has chosen him, but there is no reason why he should [illegible] of the other sex. [illegible] Harvey [illegible] have done [illegible] complain [illegible] his lead."

"And is it possible that you have so little natural affection for your only son that you can coldly leave him to poverty while you, his mother, are rolling in wealth?"

"Fustian again, Helen. Twelve hundred dollars a year is not poverty. In Rockville it is a competence. You are an excellent housekeeper; you managed your father's house on much less."

The color deepened in Helen's face; her father's limited means had always been a sore spot with her. Her good sense, however, told her that it would be unwise to lose her temper.

"You will make Harvey an allowance? You surely do not expect us to live on his salary?"

"I expect nothing; I advise nothing. I have not the right, for henceforth I shall do nothing unless he should come to real want, which is almost impossible. The events of the past year have convinced me that it is better for him to depend upon himself and work for the money you both so much desire. With your help he may eventually become a rich man. At the worst, the struggle will be morally strengthening."

There was no longer any indifference in Mrs. Atherton's tone. She spoke [illegible] without anger, yet firmly, as one who through reasoning had reached [illegible]

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(To be continued.)

## PARLIAMENT OF SARK.

Chefs Plaids Is a House of Hereditary Legislators.

The other day I attended the opening of the, as yet, unreformed Parliament of Sark, says a writer in the London Daily Mail. There is but one house, and it is called the Chefs Plaids. So far so good, for I believe every sane political reformer agrees that the model state should have one legislative body only. But alas, this single house is exclusively a house of landlords, exclusively a house of hereditary legislators. The people of the island are not allowed to elect their representatives. Land alone is represented; not [illegible]

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## HERMIT'S NIGHT-CAPS.

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## PRIMEVAL PEDANTS.

Seem to Be the Only Ones Who Pass Chinese Examinations.

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lations in regard to the use of militia or standing armies, the mode of raising supplies for the armies, etc. Can you state these briefly?" The men who pass these examinations are a lot of pedants, varied as the desert and primeval as the patriarchs.

## LIPTON'S LUCK.

Speculators Not Aware of the Scheme Until Too Late.

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## IMPERIAL TROPHY.

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Capt. Potts of the Maxim company of the Hongkong volunteer corps has just secured an extraordinary trophy of war, nothing less than the Order of the Black Eagle, set with precious stones, which the German emperor sent out by Prince Henry to the Emperor of China. He has also the autograph letter from the kaiser which accompanied the decoration. The lucky captain obtained this remarkable relic of war in a quite haphazard fashion, says the London Mail. Recently at Tientsin he came across some Russian soldiers who had been present at the looting of Pekin. One of the Russians had the rarely bestowed order among his share of the loot, but he was too ignorant to recognize its great value. Capt. Potts had no difficulty in arriving at the correct conclusion when he set eyes on the insignia and the Emperor William's letter, and for a trifle [illegible] possession of the [illegible]. When the captain arrived at Shanghai and exhibited his prize the German consul said that he must take charge of it, but Capt. Potts declined to part. He said that he was not at all anxious to sell and put a fabulous price on the trophy. The consul immediately cabled to Berlin for instructions and Capt. Potts is now calmly awaiting the reply.

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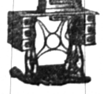

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