

THE MAD OF MAIDEN LANE

Sequel to "The Pow of Orange Ribbon."

A LOVE STORY BY AMELIA E. BARR

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CHAPTER XV.

"Hush! Love is Here!"

"Nonsequitur!"

On the morning that Hyde received the letter he had written her on the discovery of Rem's dishonorable conduct. So much love, love and devotion, she had poured into a sheet of paper! In a burst of delight and expectation she opened it. And she became eyes ran all over the sweet fluttering pages, that his breath had moved, and his face been aware of. How he would have rejoiced to see her pressing them to her bosom, at some word of fonder memory or desire.

In the afternoon, when the shopping for the day had been accomplished, Cornelia went to Capt. Jacobs', to play with him the game of backgammon which had become an almost daily duty, and to which the captain attached a great importance. "I owe your daughter as much as I owe you," said she to him, "and I owe both of you a bigger debt than I can clear myself of."

This afternoon looked at his visitor with a wondering speculation. There was something in her face and manner and voice he had never before seen or heard, and she seemed to have revealed some change. It was like the burst of bird song in early spring and she followed the happy girl to the front door and called her back when she had gone down the steps, and said, as she looked earnestly in her face:

"You have heard from Joris Hyde? I know you have!" and Cornelia nodded her head and blushed and smiled, and ran away from further questions. When she reached home she found Madame Van Hoemskirk sitting with her mother, and the sweet old lady rose to meet her, and said before Cornelia could utter a word:

"Come to me, Cornelia. This morning a letter we have had from my Joris, and sorry am I that I did not see it so much wrong."

"Madame, I have long forgotten it, and there was a mistake all round," answered Cornelia cheerfully.

"That is so—and yet I mistake first of all. Joris is unfortunate, even to be happy. It is not wise to bury. Listen now! Joris has written to me his grandfather, and also to me, and my duty is to look after the stables, and to buy more horses, and to hire serving men of all kinds. And a long letter also I have from my daughter Katherine, and she tells me to make her duty to these my duty. That is my pleasure also, and I have been talking with my mother about the house. Now I shall go there, and a very pleasant time you had sent to Lord Hyde."

Then Cornelia kissed Madame, and afterwards removed her bonnet, and Madame looked at her smiling, and said:

"I did not write to Miss Damer. I do not want to see her. But Rem did keep a letter that belonged to Lord Hyde."

"Then anger gave falsehood the lie, and she wrote to me, not to keep any letter that belonged to Lord Hyde. Prove that he did so, before you accuse him. You cannot."

"I did not write to Lord Hyde's letter to Rem, and Rem's letter to Lord Hyde. Rem knew that he had Lord Hyde's letter, and he should have told his brother. He has had Lord Hyde had Rem's letter; he ought to have taken it at once to Rem."

"There was not a word in Rem's letter to identify it as belonging to him."

"Then you ought to be ashamed to write love letters that would do for Rem's brother, and especially for your love affairs up with an English girl. Proud, haughty creatures all these men are, and they will tell you any woman such as you are, that it is a crime. I won't say that."

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Indeed! For that very reason, the more you are in such a mood. Not then, he shall acknowledge to George Hyde and Cornelia Moran the wrong he did them, ere in my home and my heart he rights himself."

"Is Cornelia going to be married?"

"That is what I hear."

"To Lord Hyde?"

"That also, I can hear."

"Well, as I am in mourning I cannot go to the wedding, so then I am delighted to have told her a little of my mind."

"It is a great marriage for the Doctor's daughter; a countless she will be."

"And a marriage I am. And will you please say, if either countess or marquis is better than mistress or madam? Than all the powers of a nation, and I shall change marriage for a great, as soon as I can do so."

"If always you had thought that a great deal of sorrow we had both been spared."

"Well, then, a girl cannot get her share of wisdom all she comes to it. After all, I am now sorry I have quarreled with Cornelia. In New York and Philadelphia she will be a great success."

"To take offense is a great folly, and to give offense is a great folly—"

When Cornelia entered the Van Ardens parlor, she found her sister, Mrs. Arden, already there. She looked offended, and hardly spoke to her, but she began to tell her about her mother's visit to her. She was prepared for some exhibition of anger. She had not been to see Arden for a whole week, and she did not doubt she had been the cause of something unusual in progress. But that Rem had accused himself did not occur to her, therefore she was not angry, and she said to her sister:

"I think," she said, "you have been a little unkind to your sister. You would not have him yourself, and yet you prevent another girl—whom he loves far better than he ever loved before—because she is a little more than a foreigner. He has gone away far out of the world," he says, and indeed I should not wonder if he kills himself. It is most certain you will soon see all you can do to drive him to New York."

"All WATCH EACH OTHER."

European Countries Maintain Cattle Intelligence Departments.

All the great nations require information about the diseases of cattle which is not obtainable openly. For this reason the intelligence departments of the great military powers on the continent are organized on a scale of cost and efficiency undreamed of in England and America.

In Russia the secret police employ a considerable number of agents, men and women, who are resident in Britain. Some of these paid spies, are people well known in society.

The German system of secret service is conducted on much more scientific lines. German knowledge of the diseases of cattle is complete than that of most Britons.

Even every picture and work of art of any considerable value is known to the intelligence department of the British Government.

The German agents in England, who are occupied in surveying the land with a view to contingencies, are generally to be found in couples in the guise of tourists.

Famous Actor's Cutting Rebuke to Group of Club Men.

The redoubtable does not wish to be put on show for the detection of persons who do not understand him. There is a story told of Maurice Barrymore which illustrates this point. Barrymore, the famous actor, who in New York one night, he found a lot of commercial men in full possession. They greeted him respectfully, but he hardly got the himself "fairly sat" when one of them slapped him on the back and said:

"Kindly excuse my concern, Miss Moran, till Rem Van Ardens asks for you. We've all heard that you were a great entertainer." Barry kicked around for a moment and then said, quietly: "All things are in love and war. While Nicholas told me last night that he would keep a hundred letters, and he took them to me when he was doing so. Any man of sense would."

Souths Strawberry Picking.

Norfolk, Va., men shipped north in one day recently 12,000 crates of strawberries, or about 73,000 quarts. The season was very good, and the yield had between 300 and 400 negro pickers at work. They begin at daybreak, starting at about 25 a day in wages. The average yield this season is about 2,500 quarts to the acre. The crop in that section is about 20 per cent above the average, and is better than usual. The negroes do not pick the berries one at a time, but grab handfuls. A plantation owner says that he has had a very large number of ducks and eggs, and hope in time to have the best ducks in the State. Yours for ducks.—Mrs. D. D. Little, Post, Co., Nebraska.

The Argentine Corn Crop.

The Argentine corn crop is officially estimated at 147,857,000 bushels, which compares with 137,000,000 bushels in 1919, and 127,000,000 bushels in 1918. The exportable surplus of the crop is officially estimated at 108,000,000 bushels, compared with 42,000,000 bushels actually exported in 1919, and 39,400,000 bushels in 1920.

Author—Truth, you know, lies at the bottom of a well.

Critic—It lies at the bottom of an eye, and you'll never disturb it with your pen.

Author—Quite right! I always use a typewriter.

Same Reply in All Ages.

"What," asked the youth, "is the first step to knowledge?"

"The discovery that you are a blank fool!" answered the sage.

Real Estate Exchange

Of Whitehead & Mitchell at the Exchange Bank, Birmingham, Mich.

The following is a partial list of farms, city and village lots and real estate generally which we have for sale. As our list is constantly changing, we request that parties will write us if they do not see what they want in this list:

1. Farm of 40 acres, well fenced, well watered, with 1000 bushels of corn, 1000 bushels of wheat and 1000 bushels of oats. Price \$10,000.00.

2. Farm of 20 acres, well fenced, well watered, with 500 bushels of corn, 500 bushels of wheat and 500 bushels of oats. Price \$5,000.00.

3. Farm of 10 acres, well fenced, well watered, with 250 bushels of corn, 250 bushels of wheat and 250 bushels of oats. Price \$2,500.00.

4. Farm of 50 acres, well fenced, well watered, with 1500 bushels of corn, 1500 bushels of wheat and 1500 bushels of oats. Price \$15,000.00.

5. Farm of 30 acres, well fenced, well watered, with 750 bushels of corn, 750 bushels of wheat and 750 bushels of oats. Price \$7,500.00.

6. Farm of 15 acres, well fenced, well watered, with 375 bushels of corn, 375 bushels of wheat and 375 bushels of oats. Price \$3,750.00.

7. Farm of 25 acres, well fenced, well watered, with 625 bushels of corn, 625 bushels of wheat and 625 bushels of oats. Price \$6,250.00.

8. Farm of 12 acres, well fenced, well watered, with 300 bushels of corn, 300 bushels of wheat and 300 bushels of oats. Price \$3,000.00.

9. Farm of 8 acres, well fenced, well watered, with 200 bushels of corn, 200 bushels of wheat and 200 bushels of oats. Price \$2,000.00.

10. Farm of 6 acres, well fenced, well watered, with 150 bushels of corn, 150 bushels of wheat and 150 bushels of oats. Price \$1,500.00.

11. Farm of 4 acres, well fenced, well watered, with 100 bushels of corn, 100 bushels of wheat and 100 bushels of oats. Price \$1,000.00.

12. Farm of 3 acres, well fenced, well watered, with 75 bushels of corn, 75 bushels of wheat and 75 bushels of oats. Price \$750.00.

13. Farm of 2 acres, well fenced, well watered, with 50 bushels of corn, 50 bushels of wheat and 50 bushels of oats. Price \$500.00.

14. Farm of 1 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 25 bushels of corn, 25 bushels of wheat and 25 bushels of oats. Price \$250.00.

15. Farm of 1/2 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 12 bushels of corn, 12 bushels of wheat and 12 bushels of oats. Price \$125.00.

16. Farm of 1/4 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 6 bushels of corn, 6 bushels of wheat and 6 bushels of oats. Price \$62.50.

17. Farm of 1/8 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 3 bushels of corn, 3 bushels of wheat and 3 bushels of oats. Price \$31.25.

18. Farm of 1/16 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1 bushel of corn, 1 bushel of wheat and 1 bushel of oats. Price \$15.62.

19. Farm of 1/32 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/2 bushel of corn, 1/2 bushel of wheat and 1/2 bushel of oats. Price \$7.81.

20. Farm of 1/64 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/4 bushel of corn, 1/4 bushel of wheat and 1/4 bushel of oats. Price \$3.90.

21. Farm of 1/128 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/8 bushel of corn, 1/8 bushel of wheat and 1/8 bushel of oats. Price \$1.95.

22. Farm of 1/256 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/16 bushel of corn, 1/16 bushel of wheat and 1/16 bushel of oats. Price \$0.97.

23. Farm of 1/512 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/32 bushel of corn, 1/32 bushel of wheat and 1/32 bushel of oats. Price \$0.49.

24. Farm of 1/1024 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/64 bushel of corn, 1/64 bushel of wheat and 1/64 bushel of oats. Price \$0.24.

25. Farm of 1/2048 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/128 bushel of corn, 1/128 bushel of wheat and 1/128 bushel of oats. Price \$0.12.

26. Farm of 1/4096 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/256 bushel of corn, 1/256 bushel of wheat and 1/256 bushel of oats. Price \$0.06.

27. Farm of 1/8192 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/512 bushel of corn, 1/512 bushel of wheat and 1/512 bushel of oats. Price \$0.03.

28. Farm of 1/16384 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/1024 bushel of corn, 1/1024 bushel of wheat and 1/1024 bushel of oats. Price \$0.01.

29. Farm of 1/32768 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/2048 bushel of corn, 1/2048 bushel of wheat and 1/2048 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

30. Farm of 1/65536 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/4096 bushel of corn, 1/4096 bushel of wheat and 1/4096 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

31. Farm of 1/131072 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/8192 bushel of corn, 1/8192 bushel of wheat and 1/8192 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

32. Farm of 1/262144 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/16384 bushel of corn, 1/16384 bushel of wheat and 1/16384 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

33. Farm of 1/524288 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/32768 bushel of corn, 1/32768 bushel of wheat and 1/32768 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

34. Farm of 1/1048576 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/65536 bushel of corn, 1/65536 bushel of wheat and 1/65536 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

35. Farm of 1/2097152 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/131072 bushel of corn, 1/131072 bushel of wheat and 1/131072 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

36. Farm of 1/4194304 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/262144 bushel of corn, 1/262144 bushel of wheat and 1/262144 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

37. Farm of 1/8388608 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/524288 bushel of corn, 1/524288 bushel of wheat and 1/524288 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

38. Farm of 1/16777216 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/1048576 bushel of corn, 1/1048576 bushel of wheat and 1/1048576 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

39. Farm of 1/33554432 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/2097152 bushel of corn, 1/2097152 bushel of wheat and 1/2097152 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

40. Farm of 1/67108864 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/4194304 bushel of corn, 1/4194304 bushel of wheat and 1/4194304 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

41. Farm of 1/134217728 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/8388608 bushel of corn, 1/8388608 bushel of wheat and 1/8388608 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

42. Farm of 1/268435456 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/16777216 bushel of corn, 1/16777216 bushel of wheat and 1/16777216 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

43. Farm of 1/536870912 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/33554432 bushel of corn, 1/33554432 bushel of wheat and 1/33554432 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

44. Farm of 1/1073741824 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/67108864 bushel of corn, 1/67108864 bushel of wheat and 1/67108864 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.

45. Farm of 1/2147483648 acre, well fenced, well watered, with 1/134217728 bushel of corn, 1/134217728 bushel of wheat and 1/134217728 bushel of oats. Price \$0.00.