

**Selected Story.**

**A WINNING GAME.**

**CHAPTER II.**

'I wonder whether your friend will be there to-night, Charlie?' said Tom Maitland, on their way to the Governor's ball. 'I took quite a fancy to the old boy, and the 'missus' must be a rich treat. Shall I appear as Lord Coe on 't' one night only?' 'Wouldn't she be gracious to me?'

'Of course they'll be there. Mrs. Smith is 't' the person to leave a stone unturned to get a card; but we'll see presently.'

'Here he is; this is the real Simon Pure, Mr. Smith,' said Tom, later in the evening, as he brought a pleasant-looking old man up to Charlie. 'Not very flattering to me to be mistaken for him, you'll please observe. I'll leave you now with him, and let you talk uninterrupted Loamshire.'

Old Smith had a lot to tell Charlie about Castleton; he had such a good opinion of Charlie's intimate friend, Dr. Meredith, that they spent a very pleasant half-hour chatting at the ball-room door, among a crowd of subs hanging about, and not inclined to venture on the wear and tear of a flirtation with the Valetta belles.

Old Smith was suddenly pulled up in the middle of a sentence by the recollection of his wife, so he lead off Charlie to be presented. It was rather difficult to get near them, as Miss Huntingdon-Smith was surrounded by a crowd of men, and was fully employed in noting engagements on her tablets. Charlie had time to note her many charms before being presented. A perfect figure, fine features, an immense quantity of beautiful fair hair coiled round a shapely head, and large, glorious blue eyes, go far to make a beauty. She had just been dancing, and the flush of exercise and a little excitement gave her an unwonted amount of the animation she usually so much lacked.

Mrs. Hun, as she was called for short by the wags, was very graceful—perhaps her fascinating little tricks were rather overdone, but Theodosia soon looked frozen up again. Her card was quite full, and Captain Castleton could not by any possibility get a dance. So, when she was led away by her next partner, Charlie took the vacant seat, and submitted himself to be beamed upon by Mrs. Hun, who talked away to him about the beauties they had visited, of the discomforts of the Mediterranean in general, and Malta in particular; while Charlie did not pay much attention to her talk, for he was being amused by a couple in a quadrille near him—a very young ensign of his own regiment, and a pretty girl of seventeen or so, who evidently had made up her mind to thoroughly enjoy her ball, and who looked so amazed at the affectation of complete boredom assumed by her partner, as he walked through his figures with the air of a martyr. She was a happy-looking little creature, who evidently could not conceive its being 'the thing' to have used up all the enjoyment in life before eighteen—the age of the callow cynic by her side.

Charlie was attending much more to this ill-matched couple than Mrs. Hun's grievances, and he answered at random to one or two of her questions and remarks.

'How that nice little girl wants to enjoy herself, but that cub won't help her,' said he, during a pause, involuntarily giving his thoughts words, and indicating the two spoken of.

'That's my youngest daughter, Bessie, Captain; this is her first ball, and she loves dancing very much,' replied Mrs. Hun, very graciously, and then she went on to talk of Theodosia, and her eager desire to get back to Hazelden. 'She's so fond of that place.'

How Bessie did enjoy that next dance, when the ensign gave her up and Charlie spun her round the room at a pace hardly suited to the climate of Malta. The rooms had got dreadfully hot, so they strolled through the ante-rooms, laughing and chatting, and being very pleasant to one another.

Bessie was a nice frank little thing, with pretty brown hair, and bright brown eyes, not the least like her stately sister Theodosia either in appearance or manner, for she and Charlie were friends almost at once, and quite confidential in a quarter of an hour.

'I seem to know you quite well, Captain Castleton,' said she, laughing. 'I have heard so much of you at home.'

'I hope they spoke well of me?'

'I must not flatter you, but I can assure you 'Mr. Charlie' is a great man to many of your uncle's people. It used to be quite disheartening to us ordinary mortals to hear of such a piece of perfection. Old Mrs. Hicks, at the waterfall is never done of telling how you pulled her Johnny out of the book when you were a boy, and gave him measles, or got them from him, I forget which. Why, have you not some fun to encourage your fellow-creatures, sir?'

'Wait till you know me a little better, and then ask me that,' laughed Charlie.

'You seem to like Hazelden though, notwithstanding Mrs. Hicks and me.' 'Oh, so much better than this. These countries here are very beautiful, but they want the freshness that is the great charm of a British landscape. I am so glad we are going back soon.'

So they chatted on till Bessie said it was time for her to be taken back to mamma. 'Will you give me another waltz later on, Miss Bessie, unless your card is full?' 'Full! Oh, no; it's almost empty. We don't know many gentlemen here, and I'm catching the most of them.'

So Charlie marked his initials opposite two or three more dances, and he guided her safely through the scramble at supper, and made 'her first ball' very pleasant indeed to Bessie.

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