

Selected Story.

A DREAM AND ITS CONSEQUENCES.

When I was twelve years of age I was invited by Mrs. Hall, my godmother, to pay her a visit before going to a boarding-school, where I was to remain for a few years. My mother had died when I was very young, and my father thought it better for me to be at a nice school, where I would be among girls of my own age, than in a house with only his sister and himself. Mrs. Hall was very fond of me; she had no children of her own, and had my father consented, she and Mr. Hall would have taken me to live with them entirely.

It was a lovely day in June when I arrived at my godmother's and she was delighted to see me. The house was beautifully situated on high ground, surrounded by grand old trees, and on one side was a flower garden.

One morning godmother says to me: "Come up-stairs with me, Lillian, and I will show you some Indian jewels that my uncle left me lately." She opened the drawers of an inlaid sandalwood cabinet and took out a small case, in which were a pair of earrings, a brooch and necklace of most beautiful diamonds. I thought I had never seen anything so beautiful before. "My dear Lillian," said she, "I intend to give you these on your sixteen birthday. I see, however, there is a stone loose in one of the earrings, so I will take it into town to-day and have it repaired." She folded it up carefully and put it in her purse; the case with the other diamonds she put in one of the drawers of her dressing-glass.

After lunch Mr. and Mrs. Hall took me with them to the town, which was about four miles distant. The earring was left at the jeweler's, and as we were to spend the day at a friend's house we arranged to call for it on our way back. But, you will say, what has all this to do with your dream? Well, wait a little and you will see.

We spent a pleasant day, called for the earring on our way, and arrived home about half-past nine o'clock. As I was taking off my bonnet, godmother came into the room. "Lillian," said she, "I cannot find the case of diamonds anywhere. Did I not leave them in the drawer in the dressing-glass before I went out? I went to put in the other earring now and it was not there. Who can have taken it?"

"You certainly left it in the dressing-glass drawer," I said. "Could any of the servants have taken it, do you think?"

"I am sure they would not," she answered. "I have had them with me for years, and never missed anything before."

"Are there any strangers about that could have come in through the window?"

"No, Lillian; there are no strangers about the place except the gardener, and he seems a most respectable man. I got a very high character of him from his last place; in fact, we were told he was a most trustworthy person."

Next day there was a wonderful commotion about the missing jewel-case. The police were sent for; and every place was searched over and over again, but to no purpose. One thing, however, puzzled us; on the window-sill was a foot-mark, and near the dressing-table a little bit of earth, as if off a shoe of boot, which led us to think that the thief must come in through the window. But how did he get up to it? It was a good height from the ground, and the creeping-plants were not in the least broken, as would have been the case had any one climbed up by them. A ladder must have been employed, and it was little to the credit of the police that this fact had not been properly considered. As the matter stood it was a mystery, and seemed likely to remain so, and only one earring was left of the valuable set.

In a few days I left for school, where I remained for four years. I spent every vacation with my home and my godmother's. We often spoke of the stolen diamonds, but nothing had ever been heard of them, though a reward of £50 had been offered by Mr. Hall for any information that would lead to the detection of the thief. On my sixteenth birthday my godmother gave me a beautiful watch and chain and the diamond earring, which she had got arranged as a necklace.

"I am so sorry, Lillian," said she, "that I have not the rest of those diamonds to give you; but if ever they are found they shall be yours, my dear."

It must now pass over six years, which went by quietly and happily, nothing very important taking place until the last year, during which time I had been married. My husband was a barrister. We lived in the north of England. My mother-in-law, Mrs. Benson, and Mary, one of her daughters, lived some miles away from us, near the sea coast. It

was a very lonely place, a long way from the little fishing town, or rather village, of Burnley. I confess I often felt very nervous about Mrs. Benson and her daughter living alone, (her husband being dead many years). Except three women servants in the house and the coachman and his family, who lived in the lodge, there was no one nearer than Burnley, four miles off. Besides, it was known that there was a large quantity of plate in the house; and the little seaside village was often the resort of smugglers and other wild and lawless characters. One day, while thinking of them, I felt so uneasy that I said to my husband: "I hope, Henry, that there is nothing wrong with your mother; she has been in my mind all day."

"Oh," said he, "why should you feel so anxious about her to-day? I saw her last Tuesday; and if she were ill Mary would be sure to let us know. It is only one of your 'fancies' little wife."

Still I did not feel easy, for more than once before my so-called 'fancy' had proved to be a 'reality'; so I determined that in a few days I would go and see Mrs. Benson. All that evening I could not get her out of my thoughts, and it was a long time before I went to sleep. I think it was about three o'clock in the morning that I woke in a state of terror. I had dreamed that I saw Mrs. Benson standing in the window of her bed-room beckoning me to come to her, and pointing to a female figure that was sitting alone under the shade of the trees in the avenue, for the moon was shining brightly.

I started up, thinking I heard her calling me. And here is the most extraordinary part of it all—though I was now quite awake, I heard, as I thought, a voice saying to me: "Go tell Mrs. Benson Martha is deceiving her; tell her to send her away at once."

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| 71 | 10th August, 1869, | 324 44 | 106 | 31st October, 1871, | 324 44 |
| 76 | 1st November, 1869, | 194 66 | 110 | 26th January, 1872, | 324 44 |
| 80 | 31st December, 1869, | 324 44 | 111 | 26th January, 1872, | 324 44 |
| 83 | 16th March, 1870, | 324 44 | 114 | 24th May, 1872, | 300 00 |
| 84 | 2nd May, 1870, | 162 22 | 115 | 23rd May, 1872, | 300 00 |
| 92 | 13th December, 1870, | 324 44 | 116 | 23rd May, 1872, | 200 00 |
| 95 | 14th December, 1870, | 324 44 | 120 | 31st December, 1873, | 500 00 |
| 96 | 14th December, 1870, | 324 44 | 123 | 31st December, 1873, | 300 00 |
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