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THE EMPTY CRADLE.

Sad is the heart of the mother
Who sits by the lonely hearth,
Where never again the children
Shall waken their songs of mirth.
And still through the painful silence,
She listens for voice and tread,
Outside of the heart—there only
She knows that they are not dead!

[illegible] slowly raised, revealing [illegible]ous, lovely eyes of the clearest brown.

"What is the matter, pet?"

"Oh, Ethie"—with another sigh—"I have been thinking how different everything is from what it used to be. When we lived in our old home, mean, and father and mother [illegible] alive, and Robert was there, and were all so happy together! Don you remember what dear good ti[illegible] we used to have in the large parl[illegible] before Rob went off? And now he i[illegible] gone, and father and mother"—she stopped a moment, but soon resumed—"and you have to work so hard all the time, and—oh, dear, everything is dull and lonely! We never seem to have any good times now. I think even Jip feels the difference, looking down at the little brown spaniel in her lap.

She was just lifting her head when Ethel spoke again.

"Rose, how should you like to go away from here into a large house all our own, with handsome furniture such as we used to have? And go to a good school, and have nice clothes and new playthings. Wouldn't it be pleasant?"

"And Rob?"

Ethel made a quick gesture.

"Rob wouldn't have anything to do with it. He is away."

"But isn't he coming home to bring us all these nice things? I thought thought that was what you meant, Ethie. Don't you know the night before he went away, how he told what handsome presents he was going to bring home, and the gay times we would have?"

"Hush, child!" interrupted Ethel, suddenly, growing very pale. "That was a long time ago. Robert must have forgotten all about us before this, or he would have written."

"I don't believe it!" retorted Rose, indignantly.

Ethel's eyes grew still more troubled, and she put her hand on her heart, with a sudden, quick gasp.

"If I could! if I only could!" she said to herself.

"Who is going to give us these things, Ethie?" she said at last. "Have any of the men father owed been good, and let us have the money? Mr. Rowe said one of the debts would have been enough for us to live on, only the man wanted every cent."

"And I wanted he should have it. Our father's name never should suffer, though it left us poorer than we are now. No, Rose, that is not it, but—you know Mr. Woodward." She hesitated, and, in spite of herself, the scarlet blood mounted to her brow.

"He is rich, and he has asked me to marry him."

"I don't think it would be right for you to give up Rob and marry that old, homely-looking man, Ethel."

To save her life Ethel could not have met the reproachful gaze of those great serious eyes.

She looked down as she said: "Yes, Rose, I am going to be married to Mr. Woodward, and this is my engagement ring."

Rose did not speak a word, but for the first time since their double orphanage, she failed to return her sister's good-night kiss.

It was a bright June day when the sisters entered the new home of which Ethel was henceforth to be mistress. If anything could have made her thoroughly happy, it would have been the tender anxiety which Mr. Woodward had shown that all Rose's childish desires should be gratified.

Six months of her wedded life went by, and found her at the close peaceful, content, growing daily more satisfied with her life and its duties.

[illegible] days drew near. Rose Ethel never forgot one incident of all that bright, joyous, happy time. For ere the New Year's day she had welcomed in so gayly came to a close, Rose lay feverish and restless on her couch with the first symptoms of what proved to be a malignant fever. She had probably caught it in some one of the poor neighborhoods they had visited.

Night a[illegible] day Ethel watched by her side, [illegible] in her heart, her—spa[illegible] God." A [illegible] prayer, fo[illegible]ied it. There came a mo[illegible] Ethel saw her darling[illegible] the light of [illegible] eyes closed, [illegible]essed wild [illegible]

N[illegible] who had [illegible] in the room, w[illegible]ken down with the disease [illegible] day that Rose was bu[illegible] home from the [illegible] sweetest hopes per[illegible] place as watcher by [illegible]d. Not for long; the [illegible]ore rapid progress here. [illegible] a week, the strong man [illegible]se, and Ethel, utterly crushed [illegible] new blow, was left alone in [illegible]d.

[illegible]e to meet poverty no less than [illegible], Mr. Woodward had made no [illegible] since his marriage. An old one [illegible]d some years back left his property [illegible] to distant relatives who were not slow in taking possession. Hard, money making people, none too well pleased with the marriage in the first place, they had no scruples in taking from the young widow all that the law allowed, even though it left her nearly penniless.

So from the elegant house with its luxurious appointments, Ethel went back to one small room, simply furnished with what little she could honestly call her own. Here, alone, despairing, she took up the burden of life again, and recommenced her old routine of daily labor.

She came home one evening more than usually weary. It was a cold, wet night, and she was chilled through from a long walk, carrying home her work

"She grows more lovely every day with that little, sweet, grieved smile," said Mrs. Hill to herself as she entered to announce a caller, "a strange gentleman who's been here twice before since you went out."

"Some one to see about work probably. Will you ask him up, please?"

She rose languidly, took off her things, and just smoothed her hair without looking in the glass. She was hanging up her cloak, when a step in the doorway made her turn and look round.

A gentleman, tall, brown and heavily bearded, stood there looking at her.

"Excuse me. Will you please be seated?" she said, offering him a chair.

He sat down without speaking, and after waiting a moment for him to do so, she inquired hesitatingly:

"Do you wish some work done, sir?"

A quick smile broke over his face, and gave a new light to the clear, sparkling, black eyes.

"Ethie!"

She started, gave one wild, eager look and how it was, she never knew, but good Mrs. Hill passing by a moment later, saw through the open door a sight that surprised her not a little—her favorite boarder clasped in the arms of the strange gentleman, and sobbing away as if her heart would break, with her head resting on his shoulder.

"Thank Heaven, darling, I have found you at last!" was Robert's first exclamation. "I had begun to think you were lost to me forever." Ethel Hammond's trials were over then.

The Speaking Telephone.

"Will it be possible, Professor Bell," asked a gentleman last night at the St. Denis Hotel, "to speak to a person in England through the Atlantic cable by means of the telephone?"

"That will soon be tested," responded the professor, "and I have every reason to believe that the trial will be successful."

Have the public even the faintest conception of the miracles which science is daily performing for us? Is there anything in the "Arabian Nights" more apparently incredible than that one person can hold oral communication instantaneously with another at widely different points on the earth's surface? The press gives a great deal of prominence to the gathering of armies on the Danube and in [illegible]menia, but it is not unlikely that [illegible] score of distinguished gentlemen [illegible] witnessed the first operations of [illegible] speaking telephone in New York [illegible]ight assisted at an event the importance of which is greater than that of any twenty of the greatest wars recorded in history. The telephone may develop possibilities scarcely suspected even by those the most interested in it. At any rate it promises to cheapen telegraphy marvelously. A skilled operator does well who transmits by the Morse's alphabet forty words a minute while in ordinary conversation we sometimes use 150 to 480 words a minute. Hence, should Professor Bell's prediction be fulfilled as regards the transmit from four to five times as many words per minute as under the present system.

From other experiments it would seem as if it were also possible to make [illegible] brane for receiving [illegible] the aurat is reason for believing that the deaf may be made to hear words and distinguish musical notes. So far the telephone is a mere curious toy, but the distinguished scientific gentlemen present last night evidently realized that it was susceptible of other uses than of conveying sound instantaneous throught vast distances. On the land lines it seems the telephone receives the sound not only from the wire with which it is connected, but from every wire running on the same pole. A case was mentioned where an operator read a message from Utah to Portland though the telephone wire was completely isolated, and had six intervening wires between it and the one which conveyed the message. It should be remembered that no battery is used to convey these sounds; the vibrations being communicated directly by the human voice. These vibrations were transmitted in New Haven by sixteen persons who had joined hands. This may be useful in future diagnosis by the medical profession, as the noises in adjacent bodies are communicated through any telegraphic wire which passes near them.

The speaking telephone should not be confounded with Professor Gray's lately exhibited in this city, which transmitted only musical sounds, and required the use of a battery. It is an entirely distinct instrument, and, practically a new discovery, though some of the same machinery is necessarily employed.—*New York Graphic.*

MANY a lady has often observed the ardent glances of a gentleman friend and fondly believing herself to be the object of the deepest admiration, while all the while he was wondering how she ever came to stick the powder on her nose instead of her cheek.

WE pass through this world but once. Any good thing, therefore, that we can do, or any kindness we can show to our fellow-being, let us do it now. Let us not defer or neglect it, for we shall not pass this way again.

"Biographies are delitesome reading. We kumpare all the virtues of the person's karacter with our own, and all his failings with our nabors.—*Billings.*

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