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BY A MEMBER OF THE MEDICAL PROFESSION.

"You urge that there is no romance in our profession."

"To be sure I do; things happen queerly sometimes, and we make strange acquaintances in the course of our practice, I admit; but that anything positively romantic, as the word is understood, occurs in the practice of surgery, I deny."

Thus discoursed two young gentlemen who wrote M. D. at the end of their names.

"Charles," said the elder of the two, "light your cigar and listen. Two years before I received my degree, the events here narrated occurred."

He opened a portfolio, and commenced reading as follows:

"During a period of time occupied by me in a tour through the New England States, in the year 185—, I was on board a steamboat crowded with passengers. The State of Maine had attractions for me, and to one of its towns I was destined. Among the many groups that were enjoying the sight of the sea in their chosen positions on the steamer's deck, a few hours after our departure, the attention of many observers was attracted more particularly to a family party of three persons—an elderly gentleman of intellectual appearance and two young ladies—daughters—one an invalid, the other the incarnation of health and beauty. The object of their journey was the restoration of the health of the afflicted one, by change of scene, and the magic potency in most cases, of the invigorating sea breeze. Having selected a seat near this party, for no motive of listening to their discourse, the earnest manner of the elderly lady prevented any other result. I heard her father's repeated cautions, and he earnestly entreated her to be careful if she remained upon the deck alone.

"There is no danger, father," said she, "I would not wish to live if I am to be the slave of fear."

For the first time, I had become interested in her character, and a silent prayer went forth from my heart, that her path through life should be guarded from any cause for the fear she seemed with all her heart to despise. I left as her father ended a fresh caution—"Ellen, my dear, I hope no harm will come of your want of care," led the younger sister to the cabin below.

A short time afterwards, while standing near the place appointed by the engineer, watching the movements of the complicated machine, with powerful precision propelling us against wind and tide, some dozen miles an hour, on a sudden the engine was stopped in obedience to the signal bell, and I heard considerable bustle on the deck above. A fishing boat had attempted to cross the track of the steamer, and, to avoid collision, the abrupt stoppage had been deemed necessary by the captain. The fishing boat had passed in safety by, and the steamer was again under full steam. As I walked leisurely to the after part of the boat, I saw a crowd near the ladies' cabin, and, borne in the arms of her father, apparently dead, was the young lady whom I had left, and who subsequently became an object of interest to many on board. I hesitated in forcing my way to her, supposing that it might be a case of fainting, and there were enough to apply the remedies on such occasions. After a lapse of some minutes, from the agitated appearance of those who had accompanied the young lady into the cabin, it was evident to me that a serious accident had occurred. I entered the cabin with the captain, and beheld, reclining on a settee, the form of that lovely girl, to all appearance dead, her father and sister bending over her in agony, chafing her temples, pressing her with their hands, calling upon her name in vain, their anguish subsiding in floods of tears. Messengers had been dispatched to different parts of the boat to ascertain if there was among the passengers a surgeon, who could ascertain the nature and extent of the injury. No one had yet been found. I asked how the accident occurred, and was informed that when the boat stopped the young lady was leaning over the rail of the promenade deck; the passengers anxiously rushing to one side to see the fishing boat pass, caused the steamer to careen, when the poor girl fell to the deck below, striking her head upon a corner of the chain box.

A medical gentleman entered the cabin. A young man entered with him. Upon examination, it was found that the skull of the young lady was fractured, and every indication of compression of the brain. This intelligence was imparted to the unhappy parent of the girl, with the candid acknowledgement that her situation was one of imminent peril. "Can nothing be done to save her?" said the weeping father. The sister had been removed in an almost unconscious state from the cabin, and was in the care of some of the ladies. The physician replied that there was but one hope to rest upon—an operation, and that skillfully and speedily performed.

"What operation?" asked the father, holding her head in his hands, and waiting a reply in breathless anxiety.

"Trepanning," quietly responded the physician, and briefly explaining his meaning.

A painful silence of some minutes now ensued.

"When this dreadful operation is performed, what is the chance of recovery?" gasped the father, seizing the physician by the arm.

"That must depend upon circumstances," was the reply.

"Save her life, Ellen, my child—my child!—Poor girl, tis an awful thing to think of. If, as you say, it must be done, for heaven's sake lose no time."

"I have no instrument fit for the purpose, nor would I undertake it if I had. It needs a more experienced hand than mine. I never saw it done. From books only I know its nature and manner of proceeding."

The captain remarked that he had a case of instruments on board the boat; of their purpose he was ignorant. The young man who had entered with the physician had been carefully examining the injury, and requested the captain to procure the instruments, who left the cabin for that purpose. He then addressed the physician:

"Sir, should the trepan be at hand, would it not be well to attempt the operation? In her present state she must die, unless some aid be promptly given. I will assist you."

"Are you a physician?"

"No; I am a student of medicine only. I have seen the trepan twice used with complete success. I am aware 'tis a dangerous operation, though easily performed."

"I shall not undertake it. I could not summon resolution. I do not profess surgery."

"We are many miles from land, sir, I never performed this or any other operation upon the human body. Relying upon my knowledge of anatomy—the exigency of the case—the favorable position of the wound, I would not shrink in any attempt to save a valuable life. Why should you, sir?"

The captain returned. The case was opened, and proved, upon examination, to be a large case of amputating instruments, and, fortunately, the trepan and its necessary apparatus accompanying them. The father revived from apparent stupor. The sight of the knives made him shudder.

"Well," said he, in a whisper, "what is to be done?"

The young man and the physician were conversing inaudibly together for a moment.

"No sir," replied the physician. "Nothing in the world would induce me to attempt it. Having no confidence in my own power, you know, sir, it is not likely that I should succeed."

"If you were not on the boat, under the circumstances, and at the request of those interested, I would attempt it. But it is understood that you refuse, and if her father will trust me. I will save her, if I can. Captain, you know me. I have nought but good motives."

The father had listened. The calm, cool manner of the young student, weighed much in his favor. After a look at his child, who still seemed in the sleep of death, the low, peculiar breathing sound attendant upon such cases, being the only sign of life and sure symptom of the nature of the hurt, he took the young man's hand and said:

"Do what you think best. Save her, if you can. God help you!" He kissed her and walked away, checking his emotion, repeating the prayer for her safety.

A request was made for those whose aid was not necessary, to retire from the cabin, which was, of course complied with. The physician, to his credit be it spoken, remained to assist in an act which he dared not be principal in. The instruments having been carefully arranged, and everything that prudence could suggest attended to, the young lady was placed upon a table to undergo the fearful operation. There was to her no dread. She could feel no pain. Sensation, to her, was a lost faculty. But the loss of self-possession in the operator—a lack of knowledge and judgment in a critical moment, might make of the instrument used to save life a weapon of sure destruction. The physician secured her head in a position the most convenient, the student removed from the injured spot the golden curls, as he took the scalpel in his hand to make the necessary incision through the integuments. 'Twas evident success would attend his efforts. His hand trembled not. In a moment part of the scalp was dissected up—the bone was visible—the saw about to do its work. Such silence—a frightful wound appeared, and though inflicted upon one who felt not the knife, still it called forth a terrible feeling of suspense. But a short time had been occupied by the young operator, when, removing a piece of the skull of a circular form, the brain, with its thousand vessels distended with blood, showed plainly through its covering membrane.

Her father walked about the cabin, not daring to look in the direction in which his child was lying. After various attempts to speak, he turned, saw the blood, necessarily lost, trickling down her livid cheeks, and covering in its course, the loose locks that had been spared.

"Is she alive?" Do not answer me—still I must ask. O, Ellen, Ellen!"

Expressions like these escapes from his lips in tones of heart-sinking despair. No attention was paid to him by the operator, who was proceeding to the last stages of his task, with as firm a hand and determined heart as if the instruments were acting on marble. A moment's pause for reflection and consultation, had enabled him to decide upon an important point. Applying a lever to the depressed portion of the skull, it was with some difficulty raised, and signs of returning consciousness were evident. She moved her hands, and raised them to her head. The eye of the sufferer resumed its natural office, and from her lips came the words of transport:

"Father, I am safe! I am better!"

The transition from death to life, so sudden, was like the charms of the magician's art. Overcome by the change, her father sank in a chair, and was not disturbed till the proper dressings were applied and the operation pronounced complete. The party were soon after landed at the town where I intended to spend some days, and with the young surgeon, I assisted in her removal to the carriage. For days he attended her constantly, and her complete recovery was the result. Is there not something romantic in this?"

"No; it's what might be called an interesting case, and its equal may be found in any of your published lectures by distinguished professors of surgery."

"Well, it's an odd way to be introduced to a wife. You'll allow that, I suppose?"

"Why, yes, one would hardly suppose that cutting a hole in the cranium of a young lady was the way to win her heart."

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