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## VOL. XXVIII. MAKE-BELIEVE A CHILD OF THE SLUMS. ::::: BY B. L. FARJEON. ::::::

CHAPTER XI. Continued.

"It shall be as you wish, my boy; you shall speak first."

Had Walter been less in love than he was he would not have passed over the change in his father's appearance so lightly; an hour afterward, when Mr. Deepdale was lying back in an arm-chair, pretending to sleep, this change struck Walter with deep significance, and he waited impatiently for his father's summons. It was not given till the sun was setting, and then Mr. Deepdale said:

"Wall, I wish you to take a walk with me."

"I am ready, dad."

As he followed his father out of the room he exchanged looks with Saranne and Little Make-Believe.

Saranne blushed, and her heart beat violently; both she and Little Make-Believe knew that their fate was about to be decided.

dale and Walter walked to a favorite to communicate bad news to you." resting place of theirs, the way being led by Mr. Deepdale.

He spoke of various subjects with an attempt at lightness, but most conspicuously ill at ease.

had once sportively said he was sure was a fairy haunt. It was in the midst of a circle of

the day, there was but little fear of rumpling his hair, "that makes trouble their being intruded upon.

two. Then Mr. Deepdale bent toward Walter and kissed him.

eyes, it was so tenderly given. In a quiet tone Mr. Deepdale said: "Now, Wally, you are to speak first."

"It is about Saranne, dad." "Yes, Wally," said Mr. Deepdale, without expressing surprise, which Walter accepted as a good sign, "about

Saranne." "You have noticed, dad, that she is

very beautiful." "I have noticed it, Wally."

"And as good as she is beautiful, dad."

"I have no doubt of that, my boy." "She has been so from childhood, from the day we first made her acquaintance. There was something so gentle about her and so sweet even in those days that I used to wonder how it was that she occupied so low a station in life. But that was not her fault. dad."

"True." "Even then, I remember, I was interested in her, and took a pleasure in teaching her. And she learnt quickly. There is nothing in the way of refinement that she cannot acquire, becauseshe is naturally refined. A stranger seeing her for the first time would never suspect that she had lived so hard and poor a life; she is well fitted to grace any station. I have a plan in my head with respect to her of which I hope you will approve."

"We will come to that presently, Wally. You have, however, up to the present moment, left out what is most important in this important matter-or rather, you have indicated it rather than expressed it. I will supply the omission. You love her, Wally?"

"Yes, sir, I love her." "Have you spoken to her?"

"Yes, sir, but all depends upon you. I feared that you might raise objections because we are gentlemen and she is not what is generally understood as a lady. That is not against her, and should not be brought against her; she has the instincts of a lady, and will do no discredit to you or me."

"I have seen a great deal in her to admire, my boy; her sister has noble qualities, and she doubtless possesses them, though in a lower degree. That may spring from their attitude toward each other, Little Make-Believe being, as we know, sister and parent in one to this tender and pretty young lady. My calling her so should satisfy you as to the opinion I have of her."

"You make me very happy, sir." "It is my desire, my boy. I stand toward you somewhat in the same relation as Little Make-Believe stands toward Saranne. My one wish in life is to see you honorably happy. It is not for me to stand in the way of your affections, when I have reason to suppose that the person upon whom you have bestowed them is good and virtuous.

"To me the difference in rank-even were I situated in another position than I now find myself-a remark you will soon understand-would and does weigh but little. Your mother was a poor girl when I married her, but of business came about." every one believed that her social standing was equal to mine. As I chose from the ranks of the poor and have reason to be deeply, most deeply grateful hi my choice, so I am content that you should do the same, if your heart is earnestly engaged."

"It is, sir, most carnestly engaged. I could be happy with no other regularly credited to his account, and woman."

"You are as I was, Wally; I see myself in you. You spoke of a plan."

"It is this, sir. That Saranne should be placed in some fitting school of your selection, where, in twelve months, she can learn what you may deem to be necessary for the new sphere of life in my opinion, really to learn is a lesson of forgetfulness, so that she shall come to us from better surroundings and associations than those amongst which she has hitherto moved. My plan is complete when I say that Little Make-Believe shall accompany Saranne, so that she may also benefit by

ent, sir." Mr. Deepdale repeated very gently, That is all at present, and seemed to be nerving himself for some great ef-

the opportunity. That is all at pres-

"All this will cost money, Wally." "Yes, sir, but we can afford it."

sadly, taking his son's hand, has gone so smoothly with us, from a worldly It was a fine evening, and Mr. Deep- point of view, that I am almost afraid

"Fearing I might not be strong enough to bear it?" asked Walter, cheerfully, perceiving how much his father was in need of sympathy. "Try me, dad. That is all I can say. Try Presently he halted, and seating me. You are going to confide in me; himself on the ground upon some dry | you are going to tell me what it is that | a break in the woods, which Wally that affects me as well as yourself-"

"It is, Wally.," trees, and, especially at this time of keeping a thing secret," said Walter, so much heavier than it really is. Now, There was silence for a moment or | dad, tell me what it is all about, so that I may take half the load from your heart. Considering what you have The kiss brought tears into Walter's | done for me, how loving and tender you have been to me since my first day of remembrance, I ought to take it all, but that I know your love for me would not permit you to part with

it all. Now, dad, out with it." "In a word, Wally, without explain-

"In a word, dad, without any explanation at all till the worst is told."

"Wally, we are ruined." Walter looked at him with a bright

"Is that all, dad?" "I can't imagine worse news than this which you have taken so lightly My boy, you are right; even now my heart is not as heavy as it was."

"Why, of course it is not, and it shall be lighter yet. You can't imagine worse news? My own dear father. whom I love and honor as much as it is in my own poor power to do, you might have told me that you were suffering from some incurable disease which threatened to shorten your days That is the greatest grief that could befall me in connection with you. Ruined! And that is all! I can't express to you, dad, how you have relieved my mind."

His arm now was around his tather's neck, and they were as close together in body as they were in heart.

"But, Wally, perhaps you don't quite understand. It is no small loss that has fallen on us. Everything is gone. We sit together under God's sky-ah, my boy! what sweet joy and pain your caresses give me!-as poor even as Little Make-Believe and your dear Saranne."

"I understand it very well, dad, and It seems to me to bring us all nearer to anne's mind any uncomfortable feeling that she and I were in some worldly way not on an equality-though such a feeling, I am bound to admit, is morelikely to have disturbed Little Make-Believe than my own dear little girland that I was making some sort of sacrifice for her, the fact of our being no longer rich will help to dispel it and set her more at her ease. What I have to do is to work for us all, and I will do it. Why, it is not at all unlikely that this is the most fortunate thing that could have happened to me. Instead now of living an indolent, aimless life, here suddenly I find an opportunity forced upon me to show not only my gratitude to the dearest father son ever had, but to prove that there is really something in me worth the working cut. Holidays! I have had ants more or less to be depended upon enough of them to last me all my life. | for the payment of their rent-gener-Of course, my famous scheme of send- ally less. winds; but what might have been done better at home. Dad, looking at you with a critical eye, I see that within these last few minutes you have really grown very much younger."

"I am much happier, my boy than I have been for some time past." "And therefore much younger. Now,

dad, tell me how this fortunate piece It was soon told.

Mr. Deepdale's property consisted of shares in certain companies, most of which paid regular dividends. These securities he had placed, for safety, in the hands of his bankers, having nothing further to do with them than to see by his book that the dividends were to pay occasional calls.

of this bank suddenly disappeared, and 'fever.

upon an examination of his accounts and of the securities in his charge, it was discovered that he was a defaulter to the tune of nearly two hundred thousand pounds

His losses had been incurred through speculations on the Stock Exchange, which he had covered from time to time by using the securities--such of them as were available for the purpose -deposited by the customers of the

Unfortunately, every one of Mr. Deepdale's bonds were available, and

had been made away with. To avoid suspicion, the amount due on coupons and for dividends had been regularly credited to Mr. Deepdale's account.

Simple-minded, straightforward men have reasonably supposed that the bank was accountable for this robbery by one of its chief officers, but the law which she will occupy. What she has, had decided otherwise, and the loss had fallen on the shoulders of the de-

> To aggravate the matter, Mr. Deepdale was made responsible for a large call in one of his companies, and to satisfy the demands made upon him he had been compelled to sell his house and furniture to the last stick.

And when this was done-the sale being effected in London while Walter was lovemaking in the country-Mr. Deepdale was left, not as he had stated quite as poor as Little Make-Believe and Saranne, but with an income of thirty pounds a year; which Walter, the story being told, declared was a "Everything," said Mr. Depdale, fine sum to commence a fresh start in life with.

"There is one thing, dad," said he, with kindling eyes, "you come out of this bad affair an honest and upright man. Thank God, our honor is unsullied."

Late in the night Little Make-Believe and Saranne heard the story, and learnt how their castles in the air had

faded away. It would be untrue to say that they leaves, invited Wally to sit by his side. has caused you so much anxiety for were not disappointed, but in their The spot chosen by Mr. Deepdale was many weeks past. If it is bad news grief for their tried friends, and in the loving tenderness exhibited toward them by Mr. Deepdale and Walter, no "It will make it all the lighter for less than in the brave and hopeful both to share it in company. It is view the young man took of this change in their fortunes, they found ample consolation.

verted this otherwise dark night into one of the happiest they had spent during their holiday in the country.

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CHAPTER XII. Thomas Dexter Comes Out in a New Character.

The Christmas of that year was what people-growing up beneath and pen- prosperous planters of Virginia, able to is generally called a seasonable Christ. etrated by the genuine influences give his children what education the mas-that is, it was bitterly cold, and of American society-living from in- times could afford. The first teacher the snow seaked through your boots. | fancy to manhood and age amidst | of George is reputed to have been a Dealing as this story does with those our expanding, but not luxurious convict, whom his father bought for mortals who are not as a rule inclined civilization-partaking in our great the purpose. All of Washington's to look at snow and ice from an ar- destiny of labor, our long contest schooling ended before he was sixteen, tistic point of view-beautiful as it with unreclaimed nature and uncivil- His long and brilliant career as a solis pictorially and from a distance-and | ized man-our agony of glory, the War | dier and statesman has given to his-

suredly out of place. wild delight from frozen roads and Webster in regard to the Father of His to cover his own country and pass Boys, even ragged boys, extract a ponds, but the grown-up, having lived Country. "He was the first man of into Europe, to cost orance her Amerlong enough to discover that all is van- the time in which he grew," wrote lean colonies, to sever ours from us and

frozen fingers. only coals, but every article necessary to life had increased in price.

There was a rise of a penny in the four-pound loaf, meat was much dearer, bacon, butter, potatoes, cheese and leather had all followed suit; even the humble bundle of wood, though the price remained the same, had dwindled its once fair proportions. Candles must not be forgotten; twelve to the pound was a fiction. The morals of the London tradesmen are sadly deteriorating, To the persons with whom we are by this time familiar great changes had

It is by no violent shock to probability-such as we are accustomed to witeach other. If there existed in Sar -- ness in the modern drama-that nearly 'all of them found themselves this Christmas under one roof.

That roof is Thomas Dexter's, and the gathering came about some months since in a perfectly natura! way.

The only surprising feature in it was supplied in the action initiated and urged by the old curiosity dealer.

He had become acquainted with Mr. Deepdale's loss of fortune, and simultaneously with the engagement contracted between Walter and Saranne. In the early part of this story refer-

ence was made to the upper portion of the house, on the ground floor of which he carried on his business. The rooms above had a separate entrance through a side door, which had no communication with his shop, and until now had been let to various ten-

ing Saranne to school is blown to the | It happened just as Mr. Deepdale and Walter, accompanied by Little Makeat school we will do a thousand times | Believe, returned to London from the country, that the whole of the upper part of Thomas Dexter's house was vacant, and actuated by a feeling the roots of which be did not take the trouble to search for he proposed that they should become his tepants at a

very low rental. There was a sitting and a bed room for Little Make-Believe and Saranne, there were sufficient living rooms for Mr. Deepdale and Walter, and he suggested that the sisters should perform certain household duties, for which they were to receive from him a small remuneration.

To be continued.

The wells of farms vilited in simmer by city folks are not regarded as | which his example has consecrated." righteous in all he did, unlike all who his warm thanks for this act of cour- monument, creeted by the people of Some time since the chief secretary perhaps the chief source of typhoid The story of George Washington's lived before or since; he never used tesy of his enemy.

WASHINGTON'S PRAYER AT VALLEY FORGE.



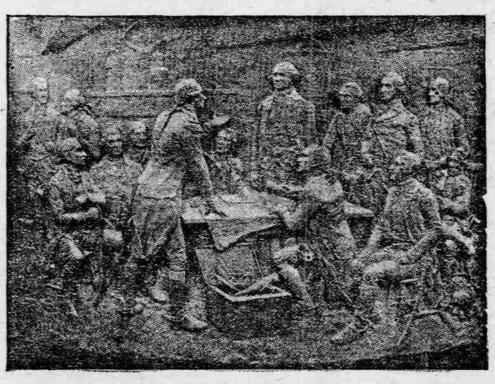
Dumb for himself, unless it were to God .. But for his barefoot soldiers eloquent

# Eloquent Tributes to Washington—

mentary knowledge which our institu- Rappahannock, almost opposite Fred- he used in his well-known print of "The tions provide for the children of the cricksburg. The father was one of the to whom a rise in the price of coals is of Independence-our great victory of tory some of its most interesting pages. a very serious matter, the term season- peace, the formation of the union, and able, as expressing something for the establishment of the constitutionwhich they should be grateful, is as- he is all, all our own. Washington is vania a young Virginia officer should OHI'S."

ity, derive no pleasure from stamping Rufus Choate. "His memory is first create the great Western republic; to their frozen feet and blowing their and most sacred in our love; and rage over the Old World when extinever, hereafter, till the last drop guished in the New; and, of all the A hard winter indeed it was. Not of blood shall freeze in the last myriads engaged in the vast contest, American heart, his name shall be a to leave the prize of the greatest fame spell of power and might. There is one with him who s ruck the first blow," personal, one vast, felicity which no As to the esteem and affection in man can have with him. It was the which the name and character of daily beauty and towering and match- Washington were neld one cannot do for reproduction. The large canvas of less glory of his life which enabled him | better than quote Lafayette, who wrote to create his country, and at the same from France as follows: time secure an undying love and re- "Were you but such a man as Julius York. gard from the whole American people, Caesar, or the King of Prussia, 1

"It was strange," wrote Thackeray, "that its a savage forest of Pennsylfire a shot, and waken up a war that The foregoing was written by Daniel was to last for sixty years, which was



THE COUNCIL OF WAR, "The Council of War" was the consultation called by Washington before the battle of Monmouth.

memory of Washington shall nerve glory."

Undcubtedly the: were brave and should almost be sorry for you at the Vocal Musick." wise and good men before his day in end of the great tragedy where you every colony. But the American na- are acting such a part. But, with my Washington and General Howe's Dog. tion, and a nation, I do not reckon to dear general, I rejoice at the blessings While the British occupied Philadelhave begun before 1774, and the first of a peace when our noble ends have phia and the American force lay in love of that young America was Wash- been secured. Remember our Valley winter quarters at Valley Forge, says ington. The first word sue lisped was Forge times; and, fro 1 a recollection a writer in the Ladies' Home Journal. his name. Her earliest breath spoke it. of past dangers and labors, we shall be one day, as Washington and his staff It is still her proud ejaculation. It will still more pleased at our present com- were dining, a fine hunting dog, which be the last gasp of her expiring life. fortable situation. I cannot but envy was evidently lost, came to seek some-About and around him we call up no the happiness of my grandchildren, thing to cat. On its collar was the dissentient, discordant and dissatisfied when they will be about celebrating name "General Howe." Washington elements no sectional prejudice or and worshiping your name. To have ordered that the dog should be fed. bias, no party, no creed, no dogma of one of their ancestors among your sol- and ben he sent it to Philadelphia unpolitics. None of these shall assail diers, to know he had the good fortune der a flag of truce, with a letter readhim. Yes, when the storm of battle to be the riend of your heart, will be ing: "General Washington's compligrows darkest and rages highest, the the eternal honor in which they can ments to General Howe. He does him-

every American arm and cheer every | The poet Sheiley, abourd an Ameri- | dog which accidentally fell into his a few miles from Newburg. Peace American heart. It shall reillume that can ship, drinking to the health of bands, and, by the inscription on the was proclaimed in a large public build-Promethean fire, that sublime flame of Washington and the prosperity of the cellar, appears to belong to General ling on this eminence, and from here patriotism, that devoted love of coun- American commonwe. ith, remarked: Howe." The British commander, in the soldiers marched home on furtry which his words have commended, "As a warrior and statesman he was reply, sent a cordial letter conveying loughs which became perpetual. This

his power but for the benefit of his fellow creatures."

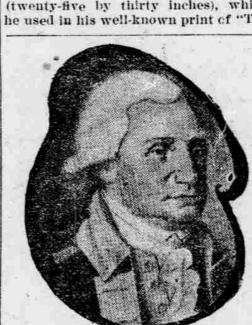
The origin of Washington's birthday as a holiday is stated as follows: On February 22, 1783, a number of gentlemen met in a New York tavern to celebrate the great general's birthday. They then agreed to assemble in future on that day, celebrating it with odes and toasts. Washington's ascendancy shortly after to the Presidency gave a new zest to the "annual," so that in time it became general, and finally grew into a "legal holiday." the people demanding it from a custom.

The first public celebration of Washington's birthday occurred on February 11, 1784, and the anticipated occasion was thus alluded to by the Pennsylvania Packet of February 17, same year: •

"Wednesday last being the birthday of His Excellency, General Washington, the same was celebrated here by all the true friends of American indeper lence and constitutional liberty. with that hilarity and manual decorum attendant on the sons of freedom. In the evening an entertainment was given on board the East India ship in the harbor, to a very brilliant and respectable company, and a discharge of thir- there is no more correct facial outline teen cannon was fired upon the joyful in existence. occasion."

### WASHINGTON IN 1790. Painted by Edward Savage.

From the original portrait, owned by Harvard University. Canvas, twentyfive by thirty inches. Edward Savage ments, although his paintings are of was opened in France to offer to the very unequal merit. The portrait for Harvard was begun in New York December 21, 1789, and finished January 6, 1790, as we learn from Washington's diary. The venerated Josiah Quincy pronounced it "the best likeness he had ever seen of Washington," and there certainly is a striking life-likeness about it, especially in Savage's own fine large mezzotinto plate, for which he first painted a panel, the same size, adapting Wright's figure and composi-\*\* instructed according to the 1735 to 1739 at what is now Mount New York. Savage subsequently paintmodes of his time, only in Vernon, and when he was seven years ed another portrait of Washington the spare, plain, but wholesome ele- old he was taken to an estate on the (twenty-five by thirty inches), which



Edward Savage. WASHINGTON IN 1790, AGE 58.

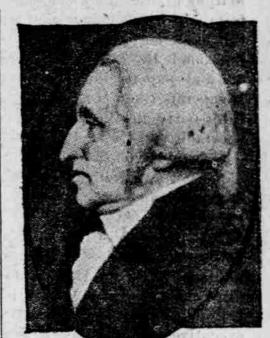
Washington Family." It is owned by Mr. Luther Kountze, of Morristown New Jersey, but cannot be obtained "The Washington Family" is owned by Mr. William F. Havemeyer, of New

Jenny Washington.

Phillp Vickers Fithian, a tutor at Nomini Hall, Virginia, in 1774, gives this description of Washington's niece, Miss Jenny Washington. Evidently she was a personable young lady, with all the graces of her time.

"Miss Washington is about seventeen; She has not a handsome Face, but is neat in her Dress, of an agreeable Size, & well proportioned, and has an easy winning Behaviour; She is not fectation or pretending to be over- he had chopped the tree." charg'd with Wit; She plays well on the Harpsichord & Spinet; understands TEAPLE TILL MONUMENT the principles of Musick, & therefore performs her Tunes in perfect time, a Neglect of which always makes musick intolerable, but it is a fault almost universal among young Ladles in the practice; she sings likewise to her instrument, has a strong full voice and a well-judging Ear; but most of the Virginia Girls think it Labour quite sufficient to thump the Keys of a Harpsichord into the air of a time mechanically, & think it would be Slavery to submit to the Drudgery of acquiring

self the pleasure to return to him a Army in 1782-3 was near Temple Hill,



From the original in Independence Hall,

THE SHARPLESS PROFILE, 1796. Made in pastel from a life-sitting. Members of Washington's family considered it as the best likeness extant. It has been said of this profile that

### A MARK OF FRENCH ESTEEM

Bust of Washington to Be

Given the United Sales. The bust of Washington which the was born in Princeton, Massachusetts, French people are about to present to November 26, 1761, and died there July | America is not only a fresh mark of 6, 1817. Originally a goldsmith, he the sympathy existing between the turned his attention to portrait paint- two nations, but, says the Paris World, ing and engraving, and produced some is also recalls a mark of esteem in the very creditable work in both depart- past. In 1828 a national subscription



THE D'ANGERS BUST OF WASH-

INGTON.

United States Government a bust of Washington carved in marble by the great sculptor David d'Angers. The bust remained in the Capitol at Washington until destroyed by fire in 1851. Now, to prove that the cordiality of Franco-American relations remains unchanged, some distinguished Frenchmen have opened a new subscription to present to America a bust cast in bronze from the original model, fortunately preserved in the David Museum at Angers. The Comte de Rochambeau, the Marquis de la Fayette, the Marquis de Grasse, bound by family ties to the United States, have taken the initiative in this movement, which others have quickly followed, impelled by the traditions of ancestors who fought in the colonial army or else by a personal liking for Americans, who are among the rare foreigners popular with Frenchmen to-day.

A New Hatchet Story.

Professor Gallaudet, who has done so much toward educating deaf mutes. tells this story: One of the professor's favorite pupils, an unusually precocious child, was asked by his teacher if he knew the story of George Washington and the cherry tree. With his fingers the youngster repeated the tale without a break, until he came to the point where the elder Washington questions his son. "When George's father asked him who hacked his favorite cherry tree," continued the child, moving his signalling fingers almost as rapidly as some persons move their tongues, "George put his hatchet in his left hand--" "Walt a moment," said the professor; "how do you know that he forward to begin a conversation, yet took the hatchet in his left hand?" when spoken to she is extremely affa- "Because," answered the boy, "he ble, without assuming any Girlish af- needed his right to tell his father that

New Windsor.



The camp ground of the American the neighboring towns, marks the site.