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"You don't seem to mind—much!"

She glanced at him suddenly, and turned her head away. The sun shed a slanting ray across the grey stretch It caught the glint of her of water. hair, and threw a warm glow over her

By Valentine Perceval.

PART I.

"We have had some nice times together, Mr. Cavendish. He leaned forward and tried to see

her eyes under the rim of her floppy "Will you miss me-Betty?" he

A perverse dimple showed itself at me corner of her mouth.
"That is a point that requires con-

sideration; but I expect that I can nsole myself."
"Doubtless! There are plenty of other fellows who can row, play

is, and, perhaps, I may add-firt."
"Mr. Cavendich!" The boat rocked beneath her impa tient movement. "Do you mean that I---"

"Certainly not. I was speaking of He smiled grimly

"And you?" said Betty in a voice that quivered somewhat. must amuse oneself"

"Is that why you are going to America? "Look at the prospects here. What nore charming scene could you wish

"None." His eye softened. But it was not at the wooded bank he looked. Betty was trying to fathom his mood. She did not catch the direction of his did not catch the direction of his glance. He thought she was indifferent and the opening he had been

striving for slipped by. The dip of oars and the wild mourn ful cry of a curfew were the only Betty shivered

"I will get out please. It is cold."
"Our last row," said Sydnoy Caven-dish meditatively.

"For five years—yes; but after?"
She looked across at him eagerly.
He was rowing with long sweeping strokes, and gazing with steady eyes at the red rim of the sinking sun. "Things change," he said abruptly.

PART H. "Why do you tell me this now? You are too inte! Too late_by five

rears."

They faced each other in the dim

"Why didn't you wat: ?" How could 1? My life was unbearable at home. When you went away I resolved to marry the first man who asked me. I did not know you cared for me. You said nothing before you went. Why didn't you speak? Just one word—one little word." She wrung her hands together. "I would.

have waited for you twice five years."
"Then you loved me all the time?" Betty nodded. What is the use of speaking about

He dropped her hand and stood up-

"I have been a fool, I ought to have

known. I might have guessed."
"How could you? I blame myself... hitterly."

"He is not unkind to you?"

The question came sharply.
"No, oh no! he is kindness i'self. I have all that I could wish for every

thing that money can buy." Her jewels shone in the semi-dark ness like the moon upon troubled

Sydney Cavendish looked at her. "I understand," he said gently Love it connot buy." She smiled sadly.

"My husband loves me, and 1? I try to make him happy, I think I He took her hands, and held them in both of his. The firm, warm clasp

calmed her.
"You will not forget mo?"
"I cannot come here continuelly.
The world—your social world—will

talk. Don't yer understand what I mean?" He raised his head and carried the

small white hands to his lips.

He set down and hid his face in his hands. She laid her hand upon his

choulder.
"I shall to away again—back to
America. I feel that it is impossible to remain in England. But remember this, Bet.y, you will never leave my thoughts. If you should ever need a friend, if you should ever be in trou-ble, I will come to you—from the cada

She bowed her head Words would not come to her trembling lips,

of the earth.

PART III.

On the first and third Tuesdays of July, August and September the GAME OF "SNIFF."

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All of the dominos are placed on the training of the couples of the couples of the couples.

the table, face down. Each player turns one. The one turning the lowest number plays first. In case four are playing the two lowest are partunless otherwise arranged

If these are four players each draws five dominos, and sets them up so that he or she only can see the numbers on them. If three are playing each draws six domines, and if two they draw seven each.

The first player "sets" whatever domino he chooses from his hand. He should select a "double" if he has one of a suit in which he is strong. For instance if he has the double-two, two-biank, two-five and two-six, with one other domino, he should "set" the

when it is played, becomes the "snift," and is the most important domino in the game, because it may be played

upon on all its four sides.

After the first player sets a domino the player at his or her left must play one dondho that matches either end of, the domino played. If unable to do so the player must draw from the dominos which have not been drawn. If then unable to play be or she must drawn another. It still unable to play the next player at the left proceeds to play or draw, as the case may be.

A count is made whenever the to

of the ends of the dominos is five, of some multiple of five. In this count only those ends of the "sniff" are counted which have been played on, except when but one side been played on, in which case "sniff" counts its full value like any other double. There are three objects in the game.

First, to coust as much as possible; second, to "go out" first, that is, play all your dominos; third, to prevent your opponents from playing or count-

The first person to "go out," that is, to exhaust all of his or her dominos counts the total of all of the domine held by the others, except his or her partner. If the sum is not a multiple of five, the count is the nearest multi-

If the game is "blocked," so that no one can play after all the are drawn, the player having the smallest total on his dominos takes the sum of all the others, or rather the multiple of five nearest it.

Partners should aim to help each other in their play. A game is 250 points. The side of person first reaching it wins. P

gether. Here are a few simple suggestions which may help a beginner, though they are not infallible.

Do not open new suits unless forced to. It increases the chances of your opponent to play if you do. Do not play on suits in which you are strong, except to take a count, or

because you have to: If you are strong in any suit it is probable your adversery is weak on that suit. Do not set the double-six unless you have a strong hand, including the istrong hand, including the six-if you'set the double-six and

three. the next player has the six-three he If the double six is on one end do not play a four on the other unless forced to, for it gives the next player an op-

portunity to play either the doublefour and count twenty or four-three and count aftern. Bo h are big counts

The two-three is a good "set" (or first play) if you have nothing better, wa it is impossible for the next player

Do not play on your own "saifi" until you are forced to, except to take a

Keep track of the number of each suit that has been played and is in your-hand. There are seven of each, and it is obvious that the more that have been played the less chance your

Einelly, do not play at random, but use your brains. You'll find it a simple game to play badly, but a game full of opportunities for a player who is clover.—Philadelphia Pross.

The Lost Fraction of Time. If one grain of sand on the shere of the ocean were lost, and scientists were to apped years in trying to find it, they would be attempting a task resembling that to which the leading astronomers of England and France astronomers of Engiand and France are now devoting thomselves. One six eenth of a second is missing and no one can tell where it has gone. He tween the aud's time, as recorded at Greenwich and as understood at Paris, there is that prief and seemingly understood at Company is the company of "Good by," he said hoursely.
In silence, with beat head and closely shut lips, he turned away. In silence she gazed after him; then, with a slow step and the fixed smile that society calls for, went back to the ballroom to look for her hasband. The guests that night sa'd they had never seen Mrs. Stuart-Miles so gay. important discrepancy. No exp being spared to trace the missing

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