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Version

Mr Péricourt did not even pretend to be working when his son-in-law knocked at the door. On the other side of the room, Glomri saw his father-in-law thronging behind his desk, just like the Holy Father himself. [...]

"Yes..." he simply asked.

"Could you intervene with the Pension Secretary?" Glomri asked with a clear voice.

"Of course, he is a very close friend of mine."

Mr Péricourt remained thoughtful for a brief moment.

"He owes me a lot. Some kind of personal debt, you could say (...)"

Glomri had not been expecting such an easy victory. His ~~diagnosis was correct~~ His diagnosis was correct beyond what he had hoped for. Mr Péricourt confirmed it involuntarily by putting his eyes down towards his desk ~~to~~ cover.

"What is this about?"

"Nothing of importance... It's..."

"If it's nothing of importance," said Mr Péricourt as he laid his eyes back on him, "why bother the Secretary? Or myself for that matter?"

Glomri ravished in this moment. The opponent will fight, but he would be forced to give in eventually. Would he have the time, he would have made this delectable conversation last. But there was no time.

"It's a report that needs to disappear. It's about businesses of mine, is full of lies, and..."

"If it's full of lies, what are you afraid of?"

Henry could not help it, and he gave in to the temptation of smiling. Will the old man keep on fighting for long? Did he require a good stomp on the head to stop speaking and get on with it?

Thème

"M. Toly! M. Toly!" Juliet pressa le pas, et le rattrapa à l'instant même où il allait tourner au coin de Cleveland Street. Elle tira la manche de son manteau. Cela semblait être un coup risqué. Elle l'avait un jour déconcerté en faisant la même chose, la fois où elle lui avait rendu un gant qu'il avait fait tomber.

[...]

Il la regarda, imperturbable, attendant la suite.

"M. Toly? C'est Juliet, vous vous souvenez de moi?"

(Comment pourrait-il ne pas se souvenir d'elle!). Le flux de piétons coulait difficilement autour d'eux. Nous sommes une petite île, se dit-elle, rien que nous deux.

- Juliet Armstrong.

Il releva son chapeau : un feutre gris qu'il lui semblait reconnaître. Il lui offrit un vague sourire, et dit :

- Je suis vraiment désolé Madame... Armstrong? Je crains que vous ne m'ayez confondu avec quelqu'un d'autre. Bonne journée

à vous». Il tourna les talons et commença à s'éloigner.

C'était bien lui, elle était certaine que c'était bien lui. La même silhouette (quoique un peu vouté), le visage sans aspérités semblable à celui d'une chouette, les lunettes à écailles, le vieux feutre. Et, enfin, la preuve inéfutable, et un peu inquiétante, qui était sa canne au pommeau d'argent.

Elle dit son vrai nom. « John Hazeldine. » Elle ne l'avait encore jamais appelé comme ça. Cela avait pour elle les intonations d'une accusation.

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Il s'arrêta dans sa marche, son dos tourné vers elle. Il y avait une très légère couche de poussière sur les épaules de son long manteau lustré couleur sable. Il ressemblait à celui qu'il avait porté pendant toute la guerre. N'achetait-il donc jamais de nouveaux vêtements ? Elle s'attendait à ce qu'il se retourne et nie de nouveau, mais après un instant il se mit de nouveau à marcher, sa canne tap-tap-tappant sur les gris trottoirs londoniens. Elle avait été écartée sans un regard. Comme un gant, se dit-elle.

Synthèse

As the youth has historically paved the way towards social breakthrough, the author believes it is once again the driving force of the climate change movement.

For they are more aware of the stakes at hand, more involved in tackling them, and overall more radical in their approach than other demographics, young people are leading the march of the climate change movement. With social media, they have better tools at their disposal than ever before, and their numerous actions are already making a difference in the way the debate is framed.

And if any substantial bill has yet to be enacted, there is no denying that the paradigm of values is shifting towards a more action prone stance. According to the columnist, their opinion might

be young people's greatest strength: as companies will want to appeal to them as they grow, they will be forced to take a more assertive stance regarding climate action, a stance they have so far been reluctant to take. This in turn will allow for political and economical changes to occur, as behemoths companies and their CEOs will add their enormous lobbying power and influence into the equation.

In the end, although it is gaining momentum, the climate change movement has yet to impact the US like previous social movement did. And only young people can bring into existence the shift in public opinion that alone can trigger political actions, and push corporate America to act for climate change. As such, young people are to the author the bearer of the torch for the climate change movement, the main cause of its momentum - and its best hope for the future.

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Essai

As a New-York Time study has shown in 2018, political and societal change does not occur by people changing their minds, but by their children replacing them. As such, there is no denying that the youth is a powerful force in society's transformation; but if they are unable to convince the older generation, why should they drive changes that affect the whole of society?

Young people are the force by which changes occur: in 1965, the racial protests that took place in the Watts district of Los Angeles* started a nationwide movement that led to Martin Luther King Jr.'s speech at the Lincoln Memorial, and started Affirmative Action. Young people tend to be more prone to outrage and to taking action than their older counterparts; and their righteous anger is often a needed spark for the fire of a protest to be set ablaze.

But the more radical nature of their beliefs might alienate the older and often more conservative part of the population.

* with most protesters being in their 20's or early 30's

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Countryside America, that overwhelmingly supports President Donald Trump is not only whiter but also older than the rest of the country. Feeling at odds with the more liberal stances defended by young people that are asking them to change their ways, such as the language they use, deemed as "offensive" or the way they behave, sometimes seen as "inappropriate".

All in all, although key in triggering social changes, young people should not be driving it alone, or they risk antagonizing older generations, thus creating tensions and putting in jeopardy the very changes they are trying to enact.

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