

Proof That Dreams Sometimes Reach to the Reality.

By IZOLA FORRESTER.

"It's only to be absolutely sure." Suzanne did not look at him as she spoke. It was far too hazardous. But Don was taking it very calmly. He regarded her with unblinking eyes from his perch on the veranda rail. "But we stay engaged?" "Oh, yes," Suzanne assented, cheerfully. "I don't mind, do you? It's only to test our feelings, Don. Don't you understand? I'm going with the Janeways for a week, and you may stay here and fish or sail; do just what you like."



"Well—I'm Going."

mind you of that when you come back." "Don't be too rash, or maybe I won't come back." "Ah, Sue, don't say that?" But Suzanne merely laughed, and rose from the deep arm chair. She knew perfectly well how charming she was, and how she held Don Hamilton's heart on her own pink palm. And the very surety had begun to bore her. It had been unfortunate, their falling in love so soon, at the beginning of the summer season, and now at early fall, it seemed an old story.

red under the sunset splendor, listening to his tales of a world-wide quest. That was what he called it, a quest after fortune. Blanche had taken pains to tell her he had found it. "When are you leaving Tressac, Gray Eyes," he asked suddenly. "Saturday." She waited while he hid the canoe under the trees. It was twilight now. A faint breeze stole over the lake, perfume laden. Up at the lodge they were lighting the long Chinese lanterns around the porch. And suddenly, without warning, Janeway's arms closed about her. "But you will not go—not now. You know the same as I do that this is the end of the quest."

WAYS OF RUBBER TAPPING

Natives of Mozambique Either Use Incision or Cook and Pound the Bark.

There are at present in use two native methods of extracting rubber. The first, that of incision or tapping, is followed by all natives south of the Zambezi Valley, and it produces a high-grade rubber known as Mozambique pink, second only to best Para on the European market. The other method of extraction, known as pounding, is generally followed in the Mozambique and other northern districts. There the bark is stripped from the roots of the vines or from the vines and is cooked over a slow fire and pounded until the bark is finally pounded out, leaving a mass of rubber in all stages of crudity. This rubber is known as Mozambique rooly. It is classed very low, but a large concern now operating in the Mozambique district has perfected the system of pounding to the point of producing a rubber which is rapidly approaching the classification of Mozambique pink.

MODERN WOMAN AS FARMER

One Found in Massachusetts Who Is College Bred, Cultured and Very Successful.

There is a woman farmer, living in a suburb of Plymouth, Mass., who is considered by William D. Hurd, director of the extension work of the Massachusetts agricultural college, as far and away the most successful and altogether the most worthwhile person of the feminine gender drawing her pay-envelope from Mother Earth, and she is just the most refined and cultured and charming sort of college-bred woman that can be imagined.

Paper Dolls.

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Unsocial Socialist.

At Arden, the single-tax colony near Philadelphia, they tell a story about Upton Sinclair. Mr. Sinclair was having a good deal of trouble, both domestic and political, at Arden, and at the height of this trouble he took the train one day for Philadelphia. A group of jovial drummers sat near him in the smoking car. One of them, nodding in his direction, said to a friend: "Who is that silent, grim, frowning chap over there? He looks as though he loathed all mankind. Who is he? I never saw anybody so unsocial."

Disarming Powers of Evil.

A very interesting custom has just been carried out by the Arab population of Tripoli. Several huge cranes for salvage work recently arrived there from Genoa, but before any of the 500 Arab workmen could be induced to start operations, the Moslem priests were summoned. Then began the celebration of an elaborate rite, during which a large number of young lambs were immolated on the altar. The new salvage plant was smeared from top to bottom by the priests with the blood of the victims, and the ceremony concluded with a sacred dance around the cranes. After this the Arabs set themselves joyfully to work in the assurance that the powers of evil had been effectively paralyzed.

The Illuminati. The Illuminati would be called in these days "Rationalists," or "Free-thinkers," or "Liberals." Founded in Spain about 1775, the order or sect or whatever you may choose to call it, spread over all Europe, becoming especially strong in France and Germany. They claimed that truth, and the proofs of it, were internal, to be found in the reason and conscience, rather than in the outer works of things, such as creeds, forms and acts. The rationalism of the Illuminati was, as Matthew Arnold would say, "tinged with emotion," being a combination of rationalism and mysticism. The opposition of the church was strong, and the first of the Illuminati paid the usual penalty of being "unorthodox."

An Appropriate Testimonial. "I see somebody has suggested the possibility of erecting a statue to the inventor of rubber tires," said Whirligig. "Good!" said Gummiton. "I suppose from the general behavior of the tires 'll be a bust."—Harper's Weekly.

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