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WINNING THE PRIZE. BY CLYDE RAYMOND.

"I shall go to the country well armed for conquest, that's certain," laughed Lou Harding.

"Oh, I yield to the inevitable at the very outset," returned Fannie Remington.

"Bravo!" cried Miss Remington gaily.

"When 'the season' was fairly inaugurated it found the young widow and her party delighted in the meeting.

"It is doubtful however, if Mrs. Harding would have chosen it as the favored spot wherein to display her ravishing new toilet.

"And so Hugh Mansfield evidently thought. At least he paid her many flattering attentions.

"Didn't I tell you I meant to win the great prize?" she retorted.

"Well, as I never entered the lists against you, I can afford to let you boast a little.

"To bathe the baby's gums while teething, relieving all inflammation, swelling and pain."

there was a proudly reproachful look in the large, deep gray eyes that shot such a swift glance toward the speaker.

"What an idea! You do take up with such ridiculous notions, Fannie," she remarked with her ever-ready shrug.

"The girl, however, did not deign to notice the intended slur. She simply said, with an appealing glance that went straight to Fannie's kind heart:

"Several times in the first two or three weeks following their arrival, they had met by chance—once during one of Leslie's early morning strolls.

"The young man's quick, firm step, as he came striding down the woodland path, switching the dew off the grass with his light cane as he walked.

"With a graceful apology he stopped and assisted her in gathering up her fallen treasures.

"Leslie did not dream what a lovely picture she had made in morning in the eyes of the young millionaire.

"Nor did she know that he had secretly carried one of the same roses away with him as a souvenir of his meeting with the lovely wood-nymph.

"After that, in a proud, graceful little way all her own, she quietly avoided him."

"If I could only leave her," she was saying to herself, with a kind of passionate rebellion against her fate.

"What a pleasure to see you at last Miss Weir!" broke in a cheery, masculine voice upon her excited reverie.

"Indeed! How you must have suffered!" she retorted, lightly, her careless tones just tinged with irony.

"What! you don't mean to say you are going the moment I am so fortunate as to find you?" he interrupted with a rueful countenance, indeed.

moved away. Then, glancing back indifferently, she added, with a careless smile and nod, "Good evening, Mr. Mansfield."

"How she does manage to cut me short whenever I try to talk with her," muttered the young millionaire.

"He walked up and down the beach for a time, half hoping she might return. But she was not visible again.

"I'll have to get rid of that girl, I see that," she muttered vindictively.

"Mrs. Lou Harding had chosen to witness that brief interview on the beach and a startled, uneasy look flashed into her glittering black eyes.

"She left me very unexpectedly, and I must own that I felt rather hurt over it, since I had begun long in my employ and done so much for her," she said, with a charming little pout.

"The look that swept over Hugh's dark, handsome face, and settled gloomily in the depths of his beautiful dark eyes, as he heard the startling news, was replaced by a look of scorn.

"In the shock of the sudden meeting Hugh blundered forth the story of his 'honey' love, and Leslie, sitting aside her coldness and reserve, and then the whole truth came out.

"When Fannie Remington received their wedding cards she smiled and nodded her amicable approval.

"Within a week the beautiful Mrs. Mansfield was reigning belle and the whole town was in a fever of admiration for her.

"The plum was a very easy fruit to grow, were it not for the curculion, and the black knot but, with these two enemies to fight against, very few can succeed in growing plums with any profit, or, in fact, much pleasure.

"To be forewarned is one-quarter better than to have a righteous cause; for a man who is forewarned is four-fifths armed, while he who hath his quarrel just is only three-armed."

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Joys of Steep Climbing.

With bated breath and upturned faces a large crowd stood the other day watching a man who was slowly ascending the steep of an up-town church.

"You think it hazardous?" said the stepladder-climber to a Tribune reporter when he came down to the ground.

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"I have known men who, when they got into a ticklish spot, or would have black specks come before their eyes, they would move up and down and in a circle, and they would fall down and hug a plank like a long-lost brother.

"This is a popular notion, but there is nothing in it except that the attention is turned from the idea of falling, and this will keep a man from tumbling. But the pliers for the eyes upon the road to be traveled to see that everything is in position.

"I've had many narrow escapes, but only one good fall. This was about seventy feet. I had a sick child home and was thinking about her and was absent-minded. I started off sideways between the scaffold and steeple, and in two or three seconds I was at the bottom.

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