

The Testing of Julia Grant

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Julia Dreads Telling Lucy the Truth

READ THIS FIRST

Julia Grant was faced with the problem of going on with life after her lover had jilted her for another woman...

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BUT Dan did not want to break the engagement. That fact was quite evident when Julia spoke to him the next evening.

"Dan," she said suddenly, "you're quite sure that you want to go on with this thing?"

"Go on with it—our marriage you mean?"

Julia nodded.

He turned white. "Julia, has anything happened? You're not going to break your promise to me, are you?"

His face was shaking, his large hands had closed until the knuckles stood out white.

He was going through some powerful emotion. It astounded Julia.

She had not dreamed that Dan cared like that.

Impulsively she laid her hand on his.

"Don't, Dan. I asked because I wanted you to be sure. Of course, I am not going to break my promise, but I wondered if we were suited to each other."

I guess she said, laughing nervously and winking her lips, "a girl always thinks of things like that the last minute, and there isn't very much time left, is there, in our case?"

"Not much, thank God!" he said earnestly.

"And I won't feel safe until you are really mine. I have a strange feeling that even now something is going to come between us."

Julia tried again in a few minutes. She felt impelled to do so by the memory of Lucy's miserable little tear-stained face.

"Wonder why you did not fall in love with Lucy, Dan. She is so much more your type than I am."

"What makes you say that?"

"Oh, she is. She doesn't believe in being independent and all that, and she's so fond of you."

"Lucy's a child."

"I know she is, but men like children. They like a woman to be easily molded to their ideas of what she should be."

Dan did not seem to be impressed by what Julia had said. In his heart of hearts he was confident of his ability to convince her some day that she was that kind of a woman too.

As for Lucy, he had never thought of her seriously.

THE LOOSE TUNIC IS POPULAR NOW



The foundation of this dress is black crepe meter. The bodice and tunic are of embroidered georgette crepe.

The Question Corner

Today's Inquiries

- 1. What old-fashioned wrap is coming into use again? 2. How can the woodbox beside the fireplace be made doubly useful? 3. What will prevent disintegration of flower stems before the flowers themselves are wilted? 4. How is wide lace used on an attractive negligee that is calculated to give a slender appearance to a stout person? 5. How can the annoying squeak of a piano pedal be stopped? 6. What color is predominant in the new clothes for all times of day?

Yesterday's Answers

- 1. The rose means love. 2. Vells over the face are used this season as a part of the hair-trimming. 3. A popular pastime for the woman with clever fingers is painting bright flowers and designs on china that is all one color. 4. An attractive toy to be remembered for Christmas Eve is a small suitcase filled on one side with writing paper and on the other with sewing materials and patterns. 5. Embroidery is the most popular trimming for all kinds of dresses. 6. White washable clothing should be prepared for winter storage with a thorough washing and a deeper bluing than usual to avoid yellowing.

ously. Lucy had been very sweet to him while Julia was in the hospital, but Julia was the woman of his choice. And so the promise that Julia had made Lucy to sound Dan came to nothing.

Lucy had gone to a concert with her mother and father that evening and when she returned Julia's door was closed and locked. Although Lucy knocked softly and spoke Julia's name several times, Julia did not answer. She was lying there in bed wide awake, but she did not know how to tell Lucy that she had had no success. It was all such an impossible state of affairs, so tangled up and with so many angles, and the days were so few now in which she belonged to herself. Soon would come the days when she would be Dan's wife, when she would live in his home. She and Dan had talked over their prospective finances quite freely and they had even looked at apartments. It wasn't Dan's manner to say that he would have such and such an income and that he could afford to give her so much out of it for an allowance. Julia soon saw that for every penny she would have to go to her husband and that Dan rather looked forward to the idea of posing as the generous husband.

He had no faith at all in woman's ability to handle money, and although his salary was ample and Julia would have plenty, she was to be treated like a baby concerning money matters. Julia lay awake thinking of these things for hours, it seemed. She heard the creak downstairs strike several times, and sundry sounds came from the back of the house, the opening of windows, the cries of cats, and once in a while the sound of Mary turning her heavy body restlessly in the next room. Julia did not know when it was that she finally

found herself asleep, but when she awoke it was broad day, one day nearer her wedding. She always thought of this fact first, but this morning there was something else that hung over her, making her

heart heavy with foreboding. She tried to remember and then suddenly she knew that she had to tell Lucy what had been the result of last evening's talk. Almost as Julia remembered it

there was a tap on the door and when Julia opened it, Lucy stood on the threshold.

Tomorrow—Lucy's vague threat.



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Wash Day Necessities

- "Asco" Ammonia, bot. 8c "Asco" Bluing, bot. 5c Laundry Soap, cake 8c Gold Dust Powder, pkg. 4 1/2c Young's Borax Soap, cake 8c Enamel Buckets, each 35c Wash Boards, each 45c-63c Laundry Starch, lb. 9c

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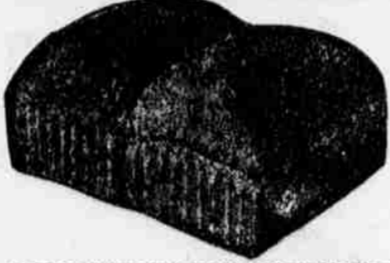
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Plenty of the fashionable beaver shades are among these new hats, and many blues, browns and blacks as well. Of particular midwinter interest are the hats with brims of gold or silver lace—they are so smart with furs.

(Market)

Women Are Coming Straight to the Down Stairs Store for Their Winter Coats

Here they are sure of finding a wide variety of coats at almost any price they may have in their minds. No one style or two, but literally dozens of different kinds of coats, and all good ones.

From \$15 to \$35

there are soft silvertones, velours, durable, practical kerseys, chevriots, tweeds and mixtures—many bearing special prices. At least half the styles are lined throughout and you'll notice plenty of fur collars of sealene or kit coney.

At \$40 to \$68.50

you will find even wider choosing. Every coat is lined throughout with silk and a great many are trimmed with nutria, racoon, sealene or skunk opossum. The materials are soft and pleasant to the touch and include tinseltone, bolivia, chameleon cord, soft silvertone and camel's hair.

Many other charming winter coats are here at prices ranging upward to \$285. Extra-size coats, in sizes 44 to 55 1/2, are \$35 to \$95.

(Market)

Sale of Ribbons

Hairbow Ribbons Lingerie Ribbons Christmas Ribbons

all at less than regular prices. This is the time to buy them for Christmas.

42c a Yard

for a good quality satin-striped taffeta hair ribbon in white, pink, light blue, Copenhagen or navy blue, red and old rose. 4 1/2 inches wide.

30c and 38c a Piece

(a 10-yard piece) for pink or blue, plain or figured satin ribbon, 3/4 and 1/2 inch.

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(a 5-yard piece) for 3/4 and 1/2 inch Christmas ribbon in red and green combined.

(Central)

Those Bits of Froth and Daintiness Called Boudoir Caps

have come—an airy army of individual prettiness—in preparation for Christmas. Lace, soft edgings, narrow ribbon running round and round, satin and crepe de chine in flower-like shades, ribbon buds, net and even a gleam of metallic lace—these you will see used in delightful ways in the newest boudoir caps. 50c to \$3.

(Central)

Voile Waists Take Cream Lace for Trimming \$2.50 and \$3.50

Some pretty new ones show imitation Point Venise and Valenciennes lace. Dainty styles with round, flat, roll, Peter Pan or convertible collars are among them.

Special: Tan Georgette waists dotted in navy blue are \$3.50.

(Market)

A Seasonable Sale of Pretty Clothes for Little Children —Mothers Will Appreciate the Savings

Many Specials at \$1

Babies' bonnets of white silk poplin or crepe de chine, sizes 12 to 16 inches, are softly padded and lined with silk.

Gertrude petticoats of fine white batiste have lawn ruffles trimmed with lace or embroidery. Sizes 2 to 6 years.

300 babies' blankets of thick pink or blue soft cotton blanketing show interesting white figures or flowers.

Cunning dresses in various styles are of plain pink, blue or green chambray or of checked and striped gingham. One is sketched. Sizes 2 to 5 years.

Flannel Petticoats at \$2

This includes both long and short flannel petticoats, from infant's size up to 4 years. They are prettily embroidered and scalloped and attached to white muslin waists.

Good Dresses at \$2.25

Chambray frocks with collars and cuffs of white rep and pink or blue checked gingham frocks are in sizes 2 to 5 years. One smocked style is sketched.

Babies' Knitted Leggins at \$2.25

White drawer-leggins with feet are in sizes up to 1 year.

Regulation Frocks at \$5

Well-tailored regulation frocks for girls of 4 to 6 years are of white jean. Others have navy skirts with collars and cuffs to match.

Children's Warm Coats at \$7.50

To many mothers this will be the most important item in the sale, for the coats are well made and fully lined. There is a choice of gray or brown chinchilla, khaki-color coating and navy blue chevrot. Sizes 2 to 6 years.

And there are more special values in small quantities that will go out quickly.

(Central)



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