Into his meditations crept memories

of home, of green fields tilled by his tather and his grandfather and his grandfather's father, of substantial barns, of the cheery homely dwelling. And with those visions arose persistent-

ly the picture of a certain slim, blue-eyed person, the playmate of his boy-hood, whom, in his feverish pursuit of

fortune, he had all but forgotten. Had he been a fool to come away and leave it all—and her? Well, it was too—John Chester sat suddenly upright.

John Chester sat suddenly upright. Who in thunder was in the inner office talking with old Whitby?
"-yes, I had hoped," went on a plaintive voice that awoke in him a sudden, tremendous response, "to realize something on this stock. You see, I have a chance to make a splendid in-

vestment. I can buy the old Chester place back home. It is a farm farmed for generations by men who knew how

And then followed the suave tones

of his employer. "Just so much waste

For several blocks, through the

reaming late afternoon traffic of which

Sara was the first to speak. "John." she said gently. "the-the bluets are

up in the swamp piece. And Dutch-men's Breeches. Remember how we

used to go after them?"

"Do I!" exclaimed John fervently.

Then he turned impulsively. "Sara" he cried. "I'm-I'm sick of it all-the hurry, the noise, the crowds. I'm

But not until their very wedding day did John learn the real secret of Sara's trip to the city. "I can't bear to think," he had chanced to say as they

stood for a moment side by side on the clematis-draped porch of the old home-

clematis-draped porch of the old home-stead after a simple ceremony at Sara's home, "of you, my darling, traveling about the city trying to get rid of worthless oil stock. You need a hus-band to keep you from such things." But Sara threw back her head with a merry laugh. "Why, John Chester!" she cried gayly, "of course I knew they were no good. Only—well, those cer-tificates furnished me with a proper ex-

were no good. Only—well, those certificates furnished me with a proper excuse for going to the place I had heard you were employed. You see, it once I saw you, I thought, I hoped—I—"
"You did!" said her husband and kissed her tenderly.

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Sara's Oil Stock By H. LOUIS RAYBOLD

"There!" exclaimed John Chester, turning the key in the old lock, "that's over!" He swung down the trim, box-bordered path, out through the sagging



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gate, and along the elm-shaded dirt road that led to the railroad station.

So intent was he on catching the afternoon train to the city that he failed to notice the slim girl coming up just behind him, and she, at his disregard, merely sighed without quickening her pace to overtake him. She sighed because it was, in all probability, the last she would ever see of John Chester.

Nor did she need the "For Sale" sign which John had just tacked up to know what for days had been town gos-

know what for days had been town gos-sip—namely, that the last of the Ches-ters had rejected the manner of living of his fathers and was going to the city to seek his fortune. But, because

of it, she sighed.

Not that there had ever been a love affair between them. Oh, no. An interchange of locks of hair in very early school days, numerous church sociables and picnics shared together, an occasional buggy ride or two—trivial enough bonds, the new and a very well, there is the content of the second content of the se sional buggy ride or two—trivial enough bonds, to be sure. And yet, well, there was an ache in Sara Cary's heart which no casual farewell handshake would have healed.

As the days paysed, the sight of the As the days paysed, the sight of the court of t

As the days passed, the sight of the shuttered old Chester house, fast showand mouth. A sound of voices from the inner office assured him that his ing signs of unoccupancy, grew to trou-ble Sara. The farm, unsold and unble Sara. The farm, unsold and untenanted, was running down. This fact,
coupled with reports which drifted back
from the city that John Chester's fortime was occupied, and sitting
down at a dingy desk he rested his head
on his hand while his thoughts traveled
backward over the discouraging months. tune was proving elusive and that he was shifting from one job to another, tormented her with a sense of the waste of good material and of her own impo-tency in the matter. What a shame

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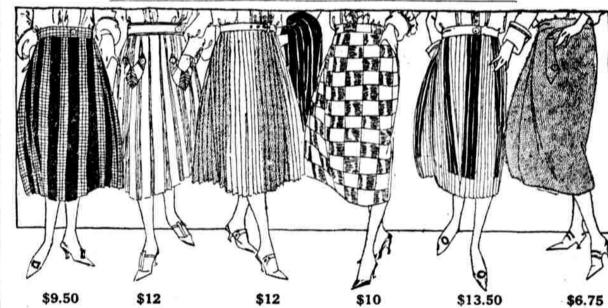
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