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THE BILVER OF ROMANCE By Laura Rold Montgomery

POSE had been turning the question

Rocer in her mind so intently that
she was not surpribed when Harold
turned to her and said:

"Money makes all the trouble in life;
if it weren't for money and influence
people could do as their hearts dictate."

It was almost like answering her unspoken thought. Rose loved the alight, dark young man sitting opposite her. He was a clerk making a moderate salary; he was not a man who would ever do great things and he wasn't aspecially handsome; just a normal, clean young fellow who would make a good husband, "Money is a terrible problem," she answered earnestly.

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Harold looked slightly surprised. He had not guessed that she would take the situation that way. "Without influence it is almost impossible to get ahead, at least for a man in my position; but there are so many things to be considered—the question of loyalty to one's ideals—" he broke off flushing, and the girl turned the conversation cleverly to anfer channels. She, too, was undecided.

At the door that night Harold lingered. The moonlight sent a cool whiteness down upon the old-fashioned brownstone steps and turned Rose's dark hair silver. "You look wonderful in that silver light," cried the guest, but Rose only laughed and stepped back. She knew that he loved her, but her mind was on the heights. She longed for the things that could be bought with grid. The fairy moonlight was romantic, but the frail silver of romance would not pass muster in daylight." Only steaming gold could

light was romantic, but the frail silver of romance would not pass muster in daylight. Only gleaming gold could buy what she wanted.

Harold felt the change in her mental attitude and involuntarily stiffened. After all, a man could offer no more than his all. At least that was the way Hose read his changed face. It was as though a chill wind had passed between them. The moment of lovers had passed.

when the shabby door of the boarding house had closed between them Rose went slowly upstairs. The savor had vanished from life. The wealthy old widower who occupied the parlor suite saw her pass. "Would you like to go for a spin in the moonlight?" he asked, guessing that some shadow had fallen between the couple who were almost lovers. "No?" he said sharply as the girl shook her head. "I suppose Harold's mercenary ideas have disgusted you with men. I heard today that Miller has hinted to him that he will take him into the firm if he marries the right girl—meaning.

that he will take him into the firm if he marries the right girl—meaning, of course, Edna Miller, the plain daughter of a wealthy family."

Stunned Rose stood, one small foot polsed upon the next step. Harold and Edna Miller! How had she been so blind? This accounted for Harold's preoccupation. He had been actually hesitating between the girl he loved and the girl who would bring him all he desired from the world.

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"Youth is always selfish," pursued the gray-haired man, his square stubborn face looking wrinkled and sallow, his cool, aged eyes upon the youthful face before him. "One can scarcely blame Harold for looking out for himself. After a man has been married a year riches are mighty nice to have. Of course, I think him mighty silly to pass up a girl like you for a plain little girl like Edna, but—"

"I am very sleepy," burst out Rose furiously, a glint of tears in her stormy blue eyes, "I—"

he could give up all for love. She had never looked at marriage from the man's point of view. Marriage to Harold meant the dividing of a salary that was not more than adequate for that was not more than adequate for one. It meant the giving up of his liberty. Instead of giving up a position as a stenographer for the pleasant duties of a home life, as Rose would do, it meant that he must work harder, must provide for her future. Instead of having only the responsibility of getting a month's room rent ahead, he must spend so shrewdly that they would save for the home they would ultimately need.

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me," stormed Rose, when she had reached the haven of her room—"thought that I would be very noble to give up the ideas of pretty frocks and a car of my own to marry a clerk and start out in a three-room flat. As if I'd think of marrying for money. I—"Weeping bitterly, she flung herself upon her bed. "I see now that all I want is a tiny home and—Harold."

Below in the parlor suite her elderly admirer waited patiently If Rose, as ne expected, came running downstairs again, he would take her out in his handsome car and propose. He was getting old and he needed a fresh young arm to lean upon. He hated to pay for service. As his wife she must give it freely.

But while he dreamed, half asleep, Rose, stifled by the intense heat, crept downstairs and went to the tiny park opposite, where she sat down on a bench and tried to cool her hot cheeks. "Rose," the low voice sent a magical wave of joy into the girlish heart that had so foolishly risked its chance at happiness. "I saw you come out. I was selfish enough to hesitate because I know that I shall never be a rich man without some outside aid; but, Rose, money cannot buy the most important thing in life. I love you, dear, and I believe that we can find our happiness between our own wails. If you will help me we can get a tiny cottage somewhere where we can breathe. I carn only \$30 a week. Do you think we can spread that over? Can you cook and mend and do the many things that a poor man's wife must do?"

And Rose, grasping eagerly at the joys that she had so nearly lost, felt that the silver romance was far more desirable than the glittering gold of the world. "Yes," she cried, ardently; "of course I can, Harold. Why didn't you settle it all sooner?"

STORE ROBBERS SENTENCED

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Lehigh May Take Easton Line The Lehigh Valley Transit Company asked the Public Service Commission's permission today to take over the lease of the Easton Transit Company for alnety-nine years. The petitioner said wonomies and service betterments would result. Commissioner Benn indicated he would make a favorable report. The Easton Transit Company operates electric cars between Allentown and Easton and is capitalized at \$2,150,000.

to Have Rounion Survivors of the Samoan disaster of thirty years ago, when 142 officers and men of a German and American warship went down in a hurricane off the coast of Apia, will meet tenight at the United States Naval Home.

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