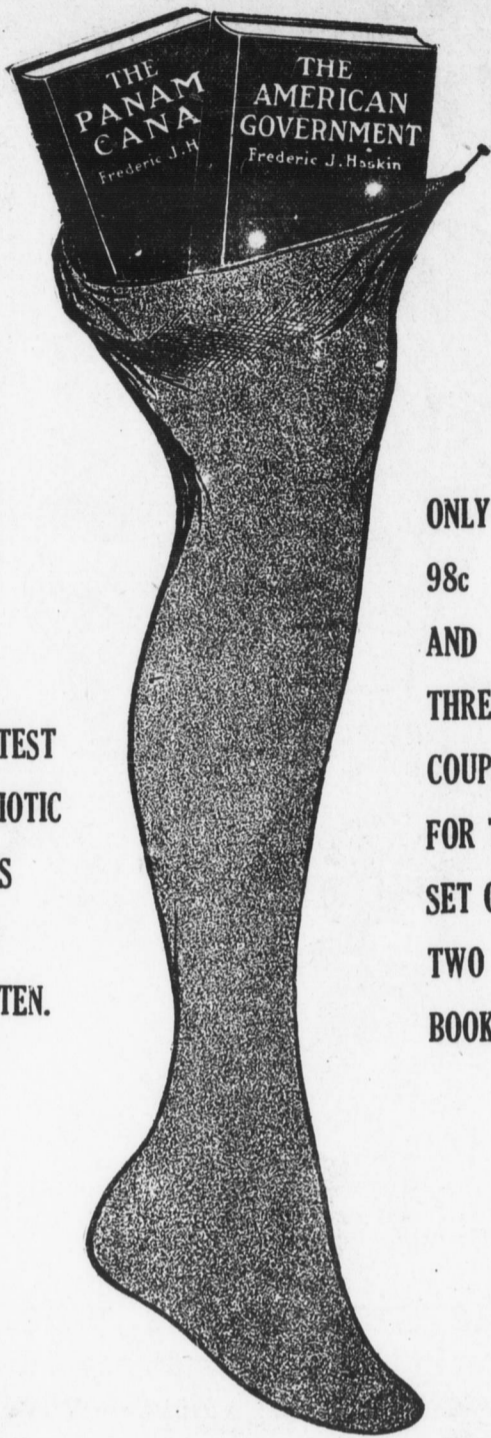


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CHAPTER XXII

Copyright, 1915, Star Company. Jane Hardy felt as if she were in a dream. The intellectual numbness that prevents one's appreciation of the crisis through which she is passing had mercifully come to her. She accepted it without allowing herself to go below the surface for explanation of those things which might have puzzled her.

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Ezra Hardy had gone this afternoon to Augustus Reeves's home to tell him that Jane had "come to her senses" and was ready to listen to reason. Had Mrs. Mary Baird, his housekeeper, listened at the door behind which her employer and his guest were in conference she might have heard that which would have surprised her.

proved. "I am not pleased with ways of girls nowadays—all the time looking out for a husband. I like you better because you waited to think about this kind of thing until I spoke of it myself. But now you've had nearly twenty-four hours to think of it, I am willing to repeat my question. I want to marry. Will you be my wife, Jane?"

"You are sure you understand that I do not love you?" she insisted. "Again he smiled. 'You think that you do not,' he amended. 'As I told you last night, it is more proper for a young woman to avoid thought of such affairs until she is asked. I know you like me and I know you will care more for me when you know me better.'"

He paused expectantly, but she did not look up. "I am waiting for my answer, Jane," he suggested. "I will marry you," she said. He leaned over her and put his arm about her. She suppressed the violent shudder that ran through her frame.

"Kiss me, my girl," he commanded. She closed her hands tightly together as she raised her face. She closed her eyes that she might not see his expression. As he pressed his lips to hers and drew her to him in close embrace his hot breath made her slightly sick. Then he released her. "I will call your parents," he said, with a return to his customary tone.

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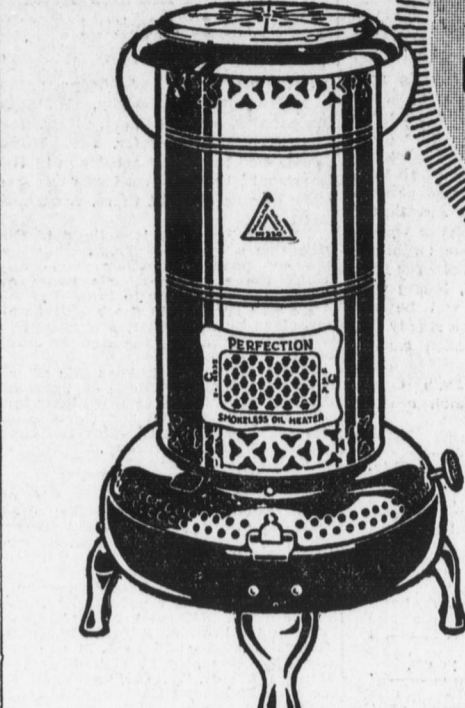
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