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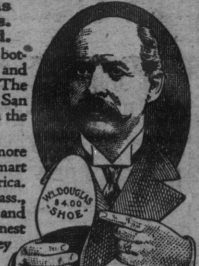
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One Snowy Night

By Genevieve Ulmar

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Hayden Lee knew that the face upon which his hand rested was that of a woman, for it was soft and delicately profiled. He knew that she must be young, for though she was utterly unconscious, her slight breathing was quick and even. There he was, in total darkness, and had nearly stumbled over the recumbent form at the bottom of the stairs.

She had fainted or fallen, and had not been long in her present position, for the snow and damp still clung to her garments.

"Heaven help her! A wild, wintry night like this!" he murmured, "and she must be poor and wretched, indeed, to have wandered to this poor neighborhood and driven to seek shelter in this forlorn old rookery!"

For such his habitation for the past six months was, in fact and verity. The remaining wing of a dilapidated old building, it had presented the welcome feature of the merest nominal rent in the world to his sister Prue and himself. He had lost his position as draughtsman at a critical time. Illness had ensued, then spasmodic piecework done at home. They had brightened up the smoke-stained rooms as best they might and had secured some second-hand furniture at a nominal

price. As for the rest, Prue's diligence had brought what comfort the poor outfit could yield.

Lee lifted the limp form in his arms and called up the dark stairway:

"Prue—a lamp, quick!"

A door opened, light flooded the scene and his sister stared in a startled way down the stairs.

"What has happened?" she voiced flutteringly. "A woman?"

"Yes, I found her here. Fainted, or overcome with the cold. She needs instant attention."

His tones were vibrant, for the flickering lamplight had revealed the fairest face he had ever seen. He was a lover of beauty and the lovely features presented to his vision stirred all of sympathy and interest in his readily impressed nature.

He bore his burden up the stairs and into the little sitting room and laid it on the couch. His sister stood holding the lamp aloft and peering, fascinated, with parted lips and marveling eyes. The stranger could not have been more than twenty years of age. Her garments were bedraggled, but were of the richest material. On one hand was a brilliant diamond earring and a wedding ring. Then she was a wife? A widow? Lee was ashamed at the subtle disappointment the discovery had caused him.

Prue roused to her normal, practical bustling self. She had their involuntary guest removed to her own room. Then Prue began expert ministrations. After the lapse of an hour she came out into the room where her brother was pacing the floor, quite stirred up by the strange happening of the hour.

"Our guest has a fever, but is unconscious," she spoke in her grave, thoughtful way.

"What did she say?" inquired Hayden eagerly.

"She asked where she was. I told her, even to our reduced condition. I told her, too, she must think of nothing but rest and that she would be come here until she was stronger. She roused a little and, as her eyes rested on her hand, she suddenly tore off the rings and violently flung them into the farthest corner of the room. 'All ended—that!' she cried out; 'and the little one safe, safe, safe! I am content!'"

For three weeks the strange guest hovered between life and death. Twice the services of a physician were necessary. One evening Lee came home to find the lady seated in one of the easy chairs of the place wearing one of Prue's dressing gowns. She was wan and weak, but her smile seemed to Lee

seraphic as she held out a thin, wasted hand to welcome him.

"What do I owe you dear people," she said, and bent her head, sobbing from emotion.

An extra mouth to feed meant a good deal to the Lees, but manfully, gladly, Hayden devoted himself to extra work. It got to be elysium complete to Hayden to sit for an hour in the company of Mrs. Lind, as she requested them to call her, and his sister.

One evening Lee was in the kitchen, as was his wont assisting Prue in disposing of the supper dishes, when there was a sharp scream. Both rushed, startled, into the sitting room. Mrs. Lind lay prone on the floor. The evening paper was crushed in her clenched hand. They carried her into Prue's room. In the meantime Lee had inspected the paper, wondering if something it contained had caused the collapse of their guest. Mrs. Lind soon revived, but made no explanation as to the cause of her recent emotion.

What was the astonishment and depression of Lee when he came home next day to find Prue half in tears and looking dreadfully woe-begone.

"She has left us," she announced. "You don't mean that Mrs. Lind is gone!" gasped Hayden.

"Yes, brother. As soon as you were gone she asked me for a heavy veil, dressed herself and went out, saying she would soon return, which she did. I went to the store to get some groceries. When I came back she was gone. Her rings were missing and there lay a fifty-dollar bill and a note. She must have sold or pawned her jewelry. The note said simply that we should hear from her soon, that her whole future was changed and blessed you as the good genius of her life.

It was then that Hayden Lee knew how much this mysterious guest had been to him. He tried to hide it from his sister, but Prue grieved, for she read the truth in his troubled face.

A week went by—two, three, a month, and then there was a visitor to the cheerless little home one evening. The caller, according to his card, was James Page, lawyer.

"I come from the lady you have known as Mrs. Lind," he told Hayden Lee. "She has made me aware of what you two great-hearted people have been to her. I have instructions to reveal sufficient of my client's situation to give you an understanding of a remarkable change in her affairs."

And then the story of a broken life was told. A sordid, worthless spendthrift had won Norma Dale. His name was Walter Bruce. A little child was born, but the father went on his selfish, reckless gambling way. Norma had wedded without the consent of her father. Bruce had tried to induce her to appeal to him for money. She refused, for she knew that it would be wasted, and would only lead to renewed exactions.

Norma Bruce went through a terrible year of neglect and abuse. Finally, her cruel husband threatened to remove and hide her babe unless she assisted him in plundering her father. She fled from her home, placed her child in safe hands, and fainted away on the Lee doorstep the night Hayden discovered her.

"Her husband was shot dead in a gambling house brawl," narrated the lawyer. "Mrs. Bruce is reconciled with her father and her child is with them. She says you must come and share her bounty."

"Her gratitude is all we ask to cherish," murmured Hayden.

All the same, time and a woman's will brought matters to where she wished them. Mr. Dale's influence secured Hayden a lucrative position. Prue became a visitor, then a neighbor, then the dearest friend of Norma. As for Hayden, at the end of the year between himself and Norma, there had expanded a mutual love that insured no later parting.

Have Peculiar Accent.

In a recent interview with a French woman in Paris who has taught French to Americans and other foreigners for many years, she said in response to a question concerning the difficulty of teaching the right pronunciation of the language:

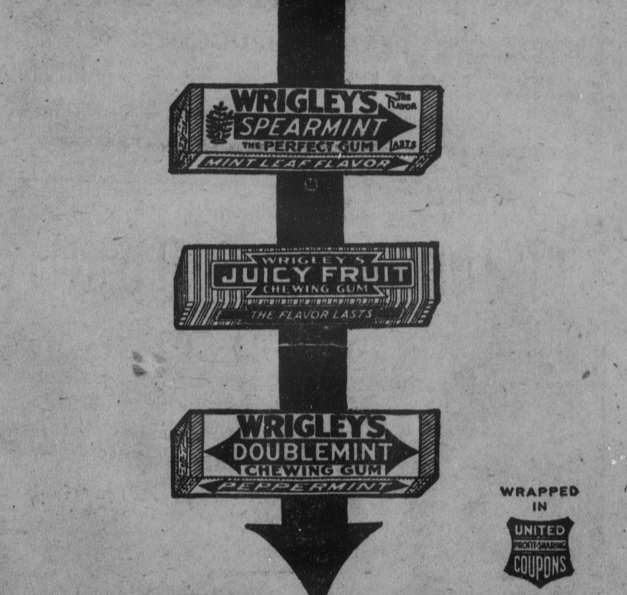
"They all have the same trouble; they make the same mistakes. One of my pupils wrote me some time ago that her daughter was coming to me in Paris, having spent a year in a French school in Switzerland. The mother called upon me and remarked that her daughter would doubtless have a better accent than most of my young American pupils. 'Oh, no,' I replied, 'she will talk easily, doubtless, but her accent will be exactly like that of every other American.' You see I know, I have been teaching Americans too long not to know. It is a problem of the ear. Americans do not hear the French sounds correctly."

The Man of Fifty-four.

There are a good many of them—men of fifty-four, hale, sturdy, never more fit in their lives, doing their two or three rounds of the 18-hole courses in a day, utterly refusing to confess themselves beyond the very opening hours of middle age, looking on life with the old boy's wise and tolerant eye. It is the best year of manhood, when man has accumulated experience enough to know really all the things he thought he knew at twenty-one, and can order his thoughts and his days in accordance with his accumulated wisdom.—New York Sun.

Diplomatic.

She—Here's some wretch says women are not inherently honest. He—How can they be when they are always robbing men of their peace of mind and stealing their hearts?



Chew it after every meal

Whole Truth of Buddhism.
 Dr. in Zenshi, a great Buddhist priest, once lived on top of a tree in a mountain; so people nicknamed him "owl priest." Someone interrupted his meditations one day with the following question:
 "What, in a nutshell, is the truth of Buddha's religion?"
 "Eschew all sins and practice all virtues," replied the priest without opening his eyes.
 "Oh, is that all?" said the man sarcastically. "Even a child of three years can say that."
 "Yes, even a child of three years can say that," rejoined the priest, "but an old man of eighty years cannot put it into practice."—Tokyo Advertiser.

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I have had itching piles ever since my earliest recollection. I am 53 years old and have suffered terribly. I have tried many remedies and doctors, but no cure. About 8 weeks ago I saw your ad for Peterson's Ointment. The first application stopped all itching, and in three days all soreness. I have only used one 25c box and consider I am cured, not feeling any return of the trouble for 6 weeks. You have my grateful heartfelt thanks, and may everyone that has this trouble see this and give your ointment, that is worth a hundred dollars or more a box, a trial. Sincerely yours, A. Newth, Columbus, O.
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Deriving Immediate Benefit.

"I'm afraid you don't take enough exercise."
 "I used to be delinquent in that respect," replied the indolent citizen. "But that's past. I get on my feet and expand my lungs every time anybody plays, sings or recites 'The Star-Spangled Banner,' and it's happening more frequently every day."

Important to Mothers

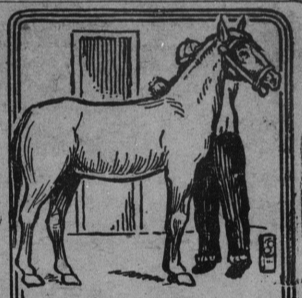
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Extraordinary.
 "Somebody said the other day they believed Bings was a subnormal man."
 "He must be. He told me himself that his son was a good child, but not a bright one."
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The Only One.
 Mrs. McDuffy—So ye referred to me in spakin' to Mrs. Cassidy as "that owd, scoldin' catamaran, Mrs. Mac." Janitor—You're mistaken, ma'am. It was Mrs. McGilligan next door that I referred to.
 Mrs. McDuffy—Don't add loyin' to yure other insults. Ye well know that O'm the only owd, scoldin' catamaran in this block.

Training Disabled Soldiers.
 France is teaching some of her wounded soldiers how to be up-to-date farmers in spite of their disabilities. At Cellard, in the department of the Lotre, an institution has been opened with a complete equipment of modern farm machinery for the cultivation and harvesting of crops, including a tractor for plowing and other purposes. The instruction is essentially practical, the staff consisting of a competent agr. culturist and an expert mechanic versed in farm machinery.

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The Resemblance.
 "Who is the young fellow over there playing cards?"
 "He is the club's card champion's son and a chip of the old block."
 "I see—a poker chip."

Undisciplined.
 Officer—What do you mean by feeding that horse before the col sounded?
 Recruit—I didn't think as 'ow 'e'd start eating before the trumpet blew, sir.—Punch.

It would discourage the average man if he was able to realize how very important he isn't!

Kidney & Co.

(BY DR. J. H. WATSON)
 The kidneys and the skin work in harmony. They're companions, the skin being the second partner. If we are anxious to keep well and preserve the vitality of the kidneys and, also, free the blood from noxious elements, we must pay special attention to a good action of the skin and to see that the kidneys are flushed so as to eliminate the poisons from the blood.

Sweating, by hard work or in a bath, at least once a week, helps to keep the skin and kidneys in good condition. Flush the kidneys by drinking plenty of pure water with meals and between meals. Occasionally obtain at the drug store Anuric, double strength, which will help flush the kidneys and the intestines. You will find that Anuric is many times more active than lithia and that it dissolves uric acid as hot water does sugar.

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