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SHE WAS **UNCLE ED'S** WIDOW

ALLY had inherited her from her mother, who had first possessed Aunt Lulu. Poor, fretted little Mrs. Marsh had loved to talk about her Uncle Ed's widow, how rich she was and how possible it was that a part at least of those riches would come to Hally ultimately. Uncle Ed had made his money in some sort of a mine-silver or copper; Mrs. Marsh had never been sure which. She strove to keep up friendly relations with Uncle Ed's widow, writing her and sending her little gifts. Once a year or so, Aunt Lulu wrote the briefest letter. Otherwise

she remained impenetrable.

When her mother died, Hally took up the correspondence with Aunt Lulu. It was likely to prove a burden, for Hally was beset with anxiety. Her mother's prolonged sickness had taken the last of their money besides leaving a few debts which Hally must pay. The girl was obliged to leave school and take a position in a store, giving up her dreams of success for hard reality. She did not ask Aunt Lulu for help; she told her nothing save that her mother had died. It was four months before Aunt Lulu answered and then her letter was little more than a note of correspond-

By that time Dick had appeared in Hally's life. Dick worked in the same store and studied evenings. He was bound to be a draftsman and when Hally looked into his clear gray eyes she knew that he had will enough and courage enough and brains enough to attain his goal. It seemed imposshe adored him. Why, the first mo-ment she saw him she knew that a great window had opened to her vision which was never to close. Dick's personality produced just that effect of emerging vista, freedom and generous light in her gray existence.

One summer afternoon she and Dick walked out to the lake's edge and sat on a bench gazing upon that misty blue. The breeze stirred her uncovered fair hair and whipped the friend she had. She had been denied color into her cheeks. She was too happy, just sitting there beside Dick. A moment later this happiness blew

away as before a mighty wind upon which, as upon wings, rushed a new joy so marvelous that she wept lest it find her unworthy. Dick had asked her to be his wife.

It was not until some three months later that Hally remembered Aunt Lulu. She and Dick were married. living in a tiny apartment. Evenings he worked at his lessons while she sat embroidering beside him. They were so happy in their love and companionship that Hally came near forget ting all else. When at last she thought of Aunt Lulu compunction stabbed her. Straightway she wrote the nicest letter of which she was capable, sending snapshots of "the family" as she

called herself and Dick. A few weeks following Hally received a special delivery letter from Aunt Lulu! She was coming East. coming to visit her young folks, com-

A cloud passed over the sun for Hally. She did not know anything about Aunt Lulu save what her mothbrief infrequent letters; she had a vague idea without knowing how she had come by it, that Aunt Lulu was hig and coarse. Where would she put a big woman in an apartment which was barely large enough for the two

what they must expect.
"Well," he said, "we'll just have to make the best of it, dear. Give her our room. Make her comfortable."

of them as it was?

"I will, but, Dick isn't it odd, her coming to us? She never saw me, she never saw mother even. In a way she sn't the slightest claim on us. Uncle ,

"I see. Yes, it is odd, but old people do queer things sometimes. There was my grandfather. He had money and my brother was named after him We used to think Joey pretty lucky. but poor Joe never saw a penny of grandfather's money." He chuckled. Grandfather got married again when he was past eighty and willed every-thing to his bride of fifty-one."

Hally drew a deep breath. "Do you know what I think, Dick? I think Aunt Lulu hasn't any money at all. I think she's poor and-and

"That's what I think," Dick acknowledged. "Well-let's forget her until she actually arrives. Time to

Hally made all the preparations possible for the approaching guest. At least it was cold weather and one now than when it was torrid. The only trouble was Aunt Lulu did not announce the time of her arrival.-

One afternoon the doorbell rang. and when Hally opened the door she found herself looking into the fresh, round face of a plump little woman stylishly clad from top to toe in dusky

"You are Hally, I suppose?" the woman said. Her pretty eyes laughed. "How do you do? I am your Aunt

Julu." It couldn't be possible. Somehow

pulled forward the winged chair and asked her to take off her things. But

Aunt Lulu shook her head.
"Not this time. I can stay only a short time. I'm really very tired after my journey—the longest I have ever taken. I got in at three last night—"

"But why didn't you wire us?" Hally asked. "We would have met you." "Not at the unearthly hour. too much respect for people's slumber to haul them out of bed in the middle of the night. Besides, I am going to the hotel anyway. It's the Kingston, a very nice place. I have the nicest suite. But you will see it tomorrow. You and your husband must come to take Sunday luncheon with

Hally, fluttered, tried incoherently say that they had expected her to stay with them. Aunt Lulu laughed "You must have misunderstood my meaning, dear, but no wonder, I'm a very poor letter writer. How cozy it looks here. And how pretty you are!"

It was all very bewildering. Hally could scarcely make Dick believe it when she told him. Aunt Lulu was not old; she was only middle-aged. Uncle Ed had been her guardian and had married her when she was sixteen as the easiest way of looking af-

ter her. Next day Hally and Dick found that instead of entertaining Aunt Lulu, she was determined that she should entertain them. There was no doubt she had money, plenty of it. And she knew how to spend it.

Within a week she and Hally were fast friends. Hally found great enjoyment in Aunt Lulu's society. Sometimes she seemed almost as young as Hally was, and they laughed together like two school girls, especially when Hally presented the portrait of the Aunt Lulu she had expected.

"I haven't any real folks of my own since Ed died," Aunt Lulu said. "That was why I was suddenly taken with a desire to see you. Ed always planned sible that anybody so fine as Dick to bring me back home, as he called could come to her. But he did. And it, but after he got so old and tired he felt that he could be more comfortable where he was. Then, too, his copper mine turned out to be a dead failure. I sometimes think it has tened his death. But I had a little money of my own. It was a good thing that I had, and that I kept it."

Gradually Hally pieced out the story of Aunt Lulu's lonely life. Bereft, she had married too young an old man who had been kind to her, the only everything-romance, love, happiness. In her middle age she was set tling down into a dull existence.

Hally could not have it so. One night she gave a dinner party for four and invited Mr. Hallman-Mr. Hallman of the silk department. He was about Aunt Lulu's age, a fine, genial gentleman and a widower, who sadly needed a wife. Hally, you see, was

trying her hand at match-making. And she succeeded. With fluttering heart she saw happiness dawn for those dear people. Aunt Lulu was to stay until spring, but Hally was not surprised when a little later she nounced her intention of staying altogether as Mr. Hallman's wife.

When Dick finally went to Tech Hally went to stay with the Hallmans. She stayed there until Dick returned a full-fledged draftsman. No one except her mother had ever been so

Purveyors of Water

every morning the city's aguadores. months." These water porters differ from the less energetic ones of some South Drops Huge Grizzly American cities in carrying their jars upon their backs instead of on the backs of mules. Their earthen jars

about 40 liters Ed was dad's uncle, you know, not his i jar either to fill it or to transfer its charged to within 25 feet of him.

Arriving at the house of a customer visit of their aguador, the respectful failed to stop the animal.

Ittle man who bows to one behind a Twenty-five feet from the crouching

Infinite Nature

remains of quite infinite depth, of quite infinite expansion; and all experience thereof limits itself to some Bears are very ferocious, could bear a bit of crowding better ured square miles. The course of reaching the upper tributaries of the nature's phases, on this our little rivers. fraction of a planet, is partially knewn to us, but who knows what deeper courses these depend on; what infinitely larger cycle (of causes) our little epicycle revolves on?-Carlyle.

Should but Isn't

is in the motor and chassis; it should be possible for a car owner to discard his worn, tarnished and somewhat demodeled automobile body for a new Hally managed to keep sufficient composure to dispense the customary hos-

EX-COP ADMITS KILLING WOMAN WITH A HAMMER

Commits Atrocious Crime Because Girl Had Stolen 15 Cents From Him.

Montreal .- "She was hard to kill; I had to choke her and then use th hammer," was the way Jules Coulo be, ex-policeman and carpenter, de scribed to another woman how he had killed Bessie Dailey, an occasional visitor to his home, because, he said. she had stolen 15 cents from him

The ex-policeman was under arrest for the murder of a Quebec painter named Arthur Richard, whose torso was found frozen in the snow on the roof of a shed outside of his bedroom window. Evidence was given at coroner's inquest that Coulombe had hacked off the head and limbs and burnt them in his stove.

Body Is Burned. This much the ex-policeman had confessed to the city police, but a further sensation was caused when Blanche Laurendeau, a woman who had come casually to the house of Coulombe two months ago for a drink



She Was Hard to Kill.

the court she had been in the house when Coulombe had killed the other woman after a terrific struggle, and had cut her body in pieces and fed it to the flames in the stove.

"It was some time about the middle of December that Jules Coulombe murdered her," said the woman. did not see the crime committed but I afterward saw her body cut up and burned. Jules told me he had quarreled with Bessie because he said she had stolen 15 cents from him. I heard them struggling and fighting upstairs. Bessie was screaming and Coulomb was shouting curses. Then there was a silence and Jules came down stairs with his hands all blood. I was terri-

Confesses Killing.

"'She was hard to kill; I had to choke her and then use the hammer he told me. Next day I saw her body good to Hally and so when the baby came Hally named her after Aunt all smashed in and there were marks Lulu, Not "Lulu" as it happened, but on the throat. Jules cut off her arms, Louise Marie, which was the real her legs and her head and then cut name of the woman who had been up her body and burned it all in the stove. He threatened me and I was too scared to tell anybody or to leave the place.

"I came from St. Pierre d'Orleans Carry Heavy Loads and don't know anybody here. It was

With His Last Bullet

Vancouver, B. C .- With only one are deep, have a wide mouth and hold shot left in the magazine of his rifle, Alvin Woods of Ocean Falls, B. C., The porter carries the jar on his succeeded in bringing down his first shoulder, fastened with leather straps. grizzly bear after the huge animal, al-He never detaches himself from his though wounded by four bullets, had

contents to that of his customer. He turns his back to the fountain so that the jar comes under one of the jets on the Big Salmon river, 100 miles of water, listens to the sound of the north of Prince George, after learning water in the jar, and his ear is so that the bears were numerou, and had well trained that he always walks virtually gone without hibernating this away at the exact moment when it is winter, owing to lack of salmon last

Woods sighted his grizzly 150 yards he goes to the household jar, makes a away. His first shet hit bruin on the deep bow and disappears behind a forepaw. Uttering ferocious roars, the torrent of water. Foreigners can bear charged toward Woods, who fired never receive without laughing the three shots into it at 50 yards, but

wants somebody to look after her in cataract of water.—Washington Star. hunter the grizzly paused, reared on its hind legs, then started to advance with savage growls. Retaining his System of nature! To the wisest nerve, Woods aimed at the left breast and, wide as is his vision, nature and dropped his near. The pelt was one of the largest ever taken out of

Bears are very ferocious, said to be few computed certuries and meas- owing to the small amount of fish

Fall Is Fatal

Cedar Rapids, Iowa.-Thomas Giblin, forty-four, is dead here from injuries received when he fell from a 50-foot water tower at Mount Vernon. He had been working on the tower for Most of the expensive workmanship six weeks and had only one hour's work left to do when he fell.

Wrong Place to Dance

Dover, Ohio.-Dancing to the music a Salvation Army meeting cost J. crimes. J Rocco a fine of \$10.

Capital Punishment the Result of Fear, Hate and Lust in Human Heart

By REV. JOHN HAYNES HOLMES, Community Church, New York.

APITAL punishment is the result of fear and hate and lust within the human heart and should be abolished, as some of the world's greatest minds have advocated for centuries. We must banish capital punishment from society as we have banished infanticide and chattel slavery, as we are banishing child labor and the subjection of women, as some day we shall banish war.

Opponents of capital punishment include all the greatest and noblest names from Confucius, Buddha and Jesus to Channing, Abraham Lincoln, Victor Hugo, and Leo Tolstoi. In the course of centuries of discussion every plea against the practice has been vindicated and established. The evidence is all in, the arguments all heard, the case closed, the judgment rendered. There remains now only the task of carrying out the verdict of condemnation, and getting rid of capital punishment

The nine states which have the highest murder rate in this country are all capital punishment states.

But capital punishment at bottom is not supported as a protection against anything. Psychologically the death penalty is an instance of revenge; sociologically it is the institution of blood sacrifice; ethically it is the practice of retribution. In capital punishment we have a survival into modern times of the barbarism of primitive times.

Person Reaching the Age of Sixty Should Be in the Prime of Life

By JAMES J. DAVIS, Secretary of Labor.

A man or woman of fifty or sixty years of age is just as capable worker as he or she was at thirty, perhaps more capable, even physically The reason is that the years have brought the reward of experience and added skill. Instead of becoming a liability at fifty or sixty, the intelligent worker is all the more an asset to his employer.

Many a time, I remember, when I was a boy at work in the iron mills I saw a faithful worker who had rounded out fifty years of life. The custom was to present him with a gold watch, in token for age. But he was also presented with a discharge. It was assumed that at his years a man had outlived his usefulness. A man that old was thought to be old indeed. A man that old thought so himself.

Since then science has added years to the span of human life. Today nobody feels old at any age. We not only have abolished the feeling of old age, but people are healthier. They lead a more active life.

In the face of this tendency of science and our better life to abolish age and keep us young and even more productive, we have a tendency among employers to drop good workers at an ever younger and younger age. I think it is something that is serious and should be watched.

Organized Labor Aims at Establishment of Close Tie to Employers

By WILLIAM GREEN, President A. F. of L.

The organized labor movement urges the establishment of a collect tive relationship between the management of corporations and their employees. It is only in this way and through such contact that the human problems of industry can be understood, and through such a process the worker will become more than a mere number in the great industrial machine and the corporation more than an agency formed for the purpose of advancing the material interests of its members through the exploitation of the spiritual, physical and human qualities of its employees.

The modern age has seen a great change through which a great many workingmen and their families have shown a lack of interest in developing their spiritual lives. This situation is not due to the lack of any desire or determination on the part of working men and women to elevate their standards of life and living or to develop the spiritual, artistic and cultural side of their lives. Rather it is due to the materialism which seems to pervade and control industrial policies and industrial life, and to the fact that very often n their undivided attention toward providing for their families.

Around a fountain in one of the principal squares of Quito assemble just by chance I came there. He gave me a drink and I stayed on for two Independent Statehood for Large Cities a Vision of the Future

By PROF. CHARLES E. MERRIAM, University of Chicago.

Responsibilities of large metropolitan regions, like New York, Chicago and Philadelphia, for governmental functions might be discharged more efficiently if such regions were granted independent statehood. It is clear that the future United States will be dominantly urban. In 1920 there were 17 regions, each having a population of more than 500,-000 and a total population of 26,000,000, while at the same time there were nine states with a population of less than 500,000.

It is obvious that some more compact form of organization is necessary to enable such groups to carry on their governmental functions

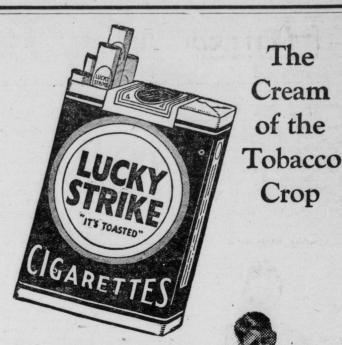
It is probable that in the near future there will be heard a strong plea for the organization of metropolitan regions as independent states. Such an experiment would give adequate scope for development of a public welfare system appropriate to urban communities and for the development of a metropolitan system of jurisprudence, differing from the now dominantly rural type.

Courts Should Be Given Full Authority to Control Capital Cases.

By GOV. ALVAN T. FULLER, Massachusetts.

A plan that will place our courts in the position to take and hold control of capital cases, from their beginning to their ultimate conclusion, and which will make certain that the governor will not be compelled to encounter the difficulties which were forced upon him in the year 1927 by the zealous defenders of persons convicted of first-degree murder, should be formulated and made effective by appropriate legislation.

In this connection I repeat that for the prevention of crime generally we have to rely principally on justice, swift and sure, and that the criminally inclined must be made to understand that it is well-nigh certain that any criminal acts on their parts are sure to be found out and quickly punished, and that no politics, nor money, nor influence, nor organized demonstration can help them to avoid the consequences of their



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