The young man grasped his hat tightly in his hand and arose. He lad. looked at the stern-faced woman who confronted him and saw no sympathy fond of horses. in her frowning eyes. "I understand you, Mrs. Deming,"

measured way. "As far as I know, you are an exemplary young man. But my daughter can't marry you un-

less you prove you can support her." "Yes, Mrs. Deming. I understand." "It was the truth. My father was a civil engineer and a fine draughtsyou have earned and saved \$1,000 you might as well give her up. I won't have her waiting round for any man. A year's long enough. She'll have other chances. She's got one now, and a good one, too. Elder Gedney's oldest boy wants her and he's got fine

Put Ella loves me, Mrs. Deming. "She'll get over it. Anyway, she'll marry the man I pick out for her. You can rest assured of that." the stern face seemed to harden. "She knows better than to cross me."

"I'm sure she'll wait, Mrs. Deming," said John Hanlin with a little break in his voice.

"She'll wait a year—if she doesn't lodge?" change her mind before the year's "In the Billing's block, nearly op-up—and that's all." The woman posite the office. I have a room arose as she spoke and John Hamlin there. moved toward the door. "A year from to-day, then,"

world. Try and make something of tion b- overdoing it. yourself. Remember your father's ex- He said no more until they reached perience. He stuck here in Brace- the office, and John Hamlin was wise ville when he ought to have gone enough to make no comment. that was his due. I wish you well, ter had said to him. He fed him- side. John Hamlin." "Thank you, Mrs. Deming."

paused with his hand on the door. "I may write to Ella?" "I don't see any harm in that," she have time to feel discouraged, and

sense. Ella is a good girl and a stronger were his hopes of success. sensible girl. She will show me your letters if I ask to see them. Remember that."

"I mean to start on Wednesday." "A sensible determination. "Goodby Mrs. Deming."

"Goodby, John Hamlin. He closed the door behind him and went down the narrow pathway that laid the magazine containing his plan that last deposit come from?" led to the street. Well, the result of on the desk at the little architect's this interview with Ella's mother was elbow. fully as favorable as he expected. He was quite sure that she would oppose any suggestion of an immediate marriage. She had put him on probation for a year. But Ella would thousand dollars. His heart sank. long Could he procure it? He felt as if he could remove mountains. He longed yet," he chuckled as he shoved the tighter. to be at his new task. And if he magazine back. failed. Ella loved him-he was sure shadow of Mrs. Deming's heart trou- again.

high-spirited girl. And then John Hamlin met the high-spirited girl face to face.

with him. 'I don't have to ask you, John, to

tell me the result of your call on the She wants you to wait."

earned and saved."

for a half minute. "I am going to the city, Ella."
"What for. John?"

to stay until I get it."
There was a little silence.

"I think you are right, John. will give you the chance you need."
"And you will wait, Ella?"
"I will wait."

ed for the golden apportunity that hurried feet. awaited him somewhere, and found He turned and drew on his coat and started for the barn. wanted he stumbled into an archi- standing at the foot of the great tect's quarters and found himself face stairway to face with the architect himself. He was a hear-sighted little man

"What are you looking for?"

Work," said John very quickly The scowl seemed to deeper

"Country?"

"Yes." "Any experience?" 'Very little."

"Think well of yourself?" "No better than I deserve." The little man looked at John's face

and then at his hands. 'That will do-for a starter." The little man snorted.

"When can you begin?" The little man snorted again. you at something.

name?" "John Hamlin." The little man wrote it down and above were all ablaze.

"Get your hat, John Hamlin," said, "and come with me." And he took John in his carriage

"Yes," John had replied. "I am

tle man. "Take the reins." The air of comfort and quiet elegance. master looked around at him. saving you had no experience?"

man. I think he awoke a taste in me for the work. He gave me many held his limp fingers tightly. lessons and seemed to be convinced that I would succeed if I followed in his footsteps.

"That accounts for your handling of the pencil. What do you do with the money you earn?"

"Save it." They drove on a little ways in sil-

"You are to have \$15 a week from the first of the month," said the ar- on me. Are-are the plans all right?" chitect presently. "But there is one thing you must understand. You are just in time. Nothing else escaped." to feed yourself and dress yourself well. Don't forget it. Where do you

The architect scowled at his companion "I don't know what you are doing "A year from to-day. And I'll give with your money-it's none of my

or no chance for you here. That place of yours in the bookstore is about as good as you'll ever get. Go away, stomach for work. That's something dress and he found my name and telegraphed me. I came to you by the first train."

"But your mother, dear, how could John Hamlin. Get out into the unusual. Don't give yourself indiges- you leave her?"

somewhere and found the appreciation | But he didn't forget what the mas- me and that my place was by your self better, and he took more pains He with his clothing. At the end of six months he had put away \$250 and was receiving \$20 a week. He didn't saw that I was determined to go she

Twice a week he heard from Ella. Such delightfully encouraging letters! Such realistic pictures of the old vil-"Yes, Mrs. Deming." He pushed lage! How she rejoiced at his adthe door open. "I'm going to take your advice and go away from Brace-ville. I'm going to the city."

"When?" How she rejoiced at his advancement. How she wished she could help him. And every letter she wrote was a new stimulus to effort.

In his eighth month he won a prize offered by a leading Eastern periodi- book. cal for the plan of a common sense dwelling that was not to cost more him than \$3,000. The prize was \$200. In his elation he took courage and

> The master looked up. "Well?" he said. "Something I want to show you." "Eh! Dabbling in literature?"

"No, sir." Then the little master looked wait: He felt sure of that. But the the right page and laughed loud and "We'll make an architect out of you

And John's weekly wage was push- needn't wait until the year is up. of that. But he knew she wouldn't ed up to \$25. At the end of the oppose her mother. It was not alone eighth month he had \$600 in the bank. Us to be married right away, and the latter's iron will that influenced Could he win out? Could he- and

her-Ella had a mind and a temper of then he thrust the doubt aside and her own, but there was always the read Ella's latest letter again and yet ble hanging over the household. They were very busy at the office ed half hysterically-"vou don't think "Cross her, agitate her," the old fam- just then. The plans of the great it would be taking advantage of you, ily doctor had told Ella one day, State capitol were well under way John, do -ou, dear?"

"and I will not answer for the con- and the little master never was more ry her off as quick as the snuffing scolded and found fault right and his eyes. of a cardle. Humor her, let her have her way, and she may be spared to you for years to come." And that was to blame in any way. But he was the true secret of Rachel De- was oftener within reach and was an ming's remarkable control over the exasperatingly cool as well as serviceable target.

It was well into the eleventh month of John's probation that the plans ade, and Harold had been promised were completed. And then everybody to go. Officers and soldiers galore, breathed easier. It had been a strain And she turned and fell into step on the whole office. It was the greatest work the master had under- there-and now, the very morning it taken, and all the master's men felt was to come off, the weather looked mother. I can read it in your face. And perhaps nobody felt any great- the west were hurrying "to catch hold er interest than did John Hamlin.

"That will soon pass. We are both were completed, and the master had pressing it-and if it rained 'twould young." been unusually exasperating in his spoil all the fun. omments. But John would not go Many times before to bed before he had written to Ella. went to the door and peeped out, a 'That's more serious. A thousand He told her about the plans and serious look on his troubled face that dollars. I wish I had Aladdin's lamp drew a little picture of the State almost amounted to what grandma house as it would appear when com- often called "a having-given-it-up" And he told her how the expression. pleted. strain had worn upon the master, and "For the money, dear. I am going how glad they all were now that the rain?" he asked, going to the shed,

work was done. And as he wrote a sudden glare fell grinding an axe. It upon the paper. He looked toward the window quickly. A column of we go to the barn and see what the flame was shooting up from the roof barometers say." something appalling to the village lad; was in the architect's building. Even there are no harometers there!" its indifference to his existence was as he looked he heard hoarse voices

it not. The fourth day in searching seized his hat and ran swiftly down for a certain office where help was the street. There was a policeman doubtfully.

"You can't pass here," he cried. But John dodged beneath his outwith a shock of hair that was get-stretched arms and fled up the stairs. How else could we obtain our hens? ting gray and a pair of frowning His only thought was to remove the eyes behind his big glasses.

He scowled at John Hamlin.

The hallway was blue with smoke and the ascent of the stairway was far herself! No; no rain to-day. You'll

from pleasant. "Come back here," roared the po- sol" liceman from below. At the same instant John heard the gallop of com- the hens!" and Harold looked increing hoofs and the rumble of a heavy dulously at the flock before him.

fire-engine. The architect's rooms were on the explained grandpa. second floor and John quickly unlocked the door. The workroom was fill- feathers sometimes? Each one has ed with smoke, but John knew where an oil sack, and when it is about to the priceless plans were stored away. rain they take oil on their bills from "Suppose I try you for a week and Stooping low he found them and their sacks and rub it over the fea-start you at \$10?" caught them) and then kneeling thers, so they'll shed water. You see rolled them carefully in a rug from that's why I call them my barometthe floor. As he arose he heard a ers." fierce clash of glass and a flare of red flame seemed to fill the windows that always come true, grandpa?" for Haroverlooked the street. The smoke old was still doubtful 'Report yourself to that man over fairly stiffled him, but he groned his there in the corner. Tell him to start way to the door and so out into the for what my feathered barometers tell What's your hall and to the stairway. There was me than for many a new-fangled a pillar of roaring flame through the weather indicator that you buy."

John turned to the man in the corner.

In a week John was of some value to the establishment. In a month he had won a nod of approving recognition from the master.

And then one day the master called to him.

Above were all ablaze.

He staggered down the steps. The rail was too hot to touch. The rug in his hands was singeing. And then with a swift clatter a smolde ing wooden bar fell from somewhere high above and struck him a glancing blow on the head. He fell on the stairs and half rolled, half leaped to the strange hen-barometers at home.

he bottom. Then, dazed and strangled, he found himself in the open air. There was a shout at his appearout to where the new art gallery lance as he staggered from the burnwalls were slowly rising. ing pile, and then-still clinging to "Do you drive?" he had asked the his rescued burden-he swayed and fell heavily on the stony pavement.

He awoke in a strange room, cheerful room with sunshine in it and "Commendable trait;" said the lit- pictures and dainty draperies and an "I And then, as his wavering gaze wan-"I've nothing against you personal- didn't bring you along to do the driv- dered about the pleasant apartment, ly, John Hamlin," she went on in her ing. I've got an idea that you might he saw that he was not alone. Someprove yourself useful on the outside, body was sitting beside the bed, a You seem to have a good eye for woman, a young woman, whose face proportions. What did you mean by was bent above her sewing. He star-

ed at her half dazed. "You, Ella!" She was up in a moment and bending over him and her firm white hand

"Yes, John, dear." Was he dreaming?

Wh-Where am I?' "You are in your employer's house, John. He had you brought here. You have had a fever. You were hurt, you know. He raised his hand to his bandaged

head. "Yes, I remember. Something fell "Yes, John. You brought them out

He faintly smiled. "Mr. Callender was pleased?" "Very much, John. He will tell

you so. He tried to press the girl's: firm hand "And you, Ella, how does it hap-

pen that I come out of the darkness and find your face shining on me?" "Mr. Callender sent for me dear. some good advice, John Ham- business. But I'll make it my busi- He was looking for your home adlin. In the first place, there's little ness to see that you expend a reason- dress and he found my name and tele-

The girl faintly smiled. "I told mother I was going to you and she commanded me to remain at home. I answered that you needed

"But her weak heart, dear?" "I-I was excited, John, and forgot about her heart. And then she suddenly turned and helped me to get woman replied. "But no silly non- the harder he tried to succeed the ready, and went with me to the station, and cried over me and sent you her loving sympathy."

He was silent for a moment. "What will she think when she finds have failed?" The girl's eyes shone.

"But you haven't failed, John." "Haven't failed?" "No. John. See, here is your bank

She held the opened book before "What's that?" he faintly cried, as

he stared at the figures. "Where did "If you get excited," said the girl.

"I will have to go away. Mr. Callender said that was something he owed you and he thought he'd better put it where it would be safe. I-I told him about your year of probation, John."

"Then-then I haven't failed?" "Failed! No. John." She paused and her hand closed on his a little "There is something else, John. Mr. Callender says that we you see we are to go-somewhere, some pleasant place in the mountains for a few weeks, as soon as you can travel, dear. And-and"-she laugh-

He looked up at her with an elosequences. A sudden rage might car- irritable. He stormed about and quent smile. Then he softly closed

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It was to be a great military parand one real live general, were to be keenest interest in its success. very threatening! Great clouds in He was very tired the day the plans of hands"—Uncle Tom's way of ex-

Many times before breakfast Harold

"Do you think, grandpa, it will where his Grandfather Nicholas was Why, I hardly think it. Suppose

"I will wait."

of a building nearly opposite. He "The barometers!" exclaimed HarThe immensity of the city was rushed to the window. Yes, the fire old, wonderingly. "In the barn —

"No? Suppose we see!" and his discouraging. For three days he look- crying the alarm and the running of grandfather, with a mysterious look, laid down his partly ground axe and "Are they new?" asked Harold.

"Not especially-some have been hatched over two years!'

"Hatched-barometers!" "Yes, indeed-every one of them! "Hens!"

"Certainly. Now let's see! Here they are-and not one of them oiling see the parade; all the barometers say "I don't see how you can tell from

"They're not oiling themselves," "Haven't vou seen hens rub their bills over their

"But do their weather predictions

"Not always; but I'd give more elevator shaft and the stairways "I guess, grandpa, the hens are weather prophets this morning. See,

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