

WHAT CAN SHE DO?

By E. P. Roe. (Continued.)

Such a woman readily surmised the nature of Edith's trouble, and knew well how deeply the shadow of Zell's disgrace would fall on the family. Edith's desperate effort to save her sister, her bitter humiliation and shrinking shame in view of the flight, all proved her to be worthy of respect and confidence herself. When Mrs. Groody saw that Edith lived in a little house, and was probably not in so high a social position as to resent her patronage, her big heart yearned in double sympathy over the poor girl, and she determined to help her in the struggle she knew to be before her; so she said, kindly,

"Now ain't there somethin' I can do for you?"

The driver stood with his lantern near the door, and its rays fell on Edith's pale face and large, tearful eyes, and she turned, and for the first time tried to see who this kind woman was, that seemed to feel for her. Taking Mrs. Groody's hands, she said, in a voice of tremulous pathos,

"God bless you for speaking to me at all. I didn't think anyone would again, who knew. You ask if you can do anything for me. If you'll only get me work, I'll bless you every day of my life. No one in earth or in heaven can help me unless I get work. I'm almost desperate for it, and I can't seem to find any that will bring us bread, but I'll do any honest work, no matter what, and I'll take whatever people are willing to give for it, till I can do better." Edith spoke in a rapid manner, but in a tone that went straight to the heart.

"Why, my poor child," said Mrs. Groody, wiping her eyes, "you can't do work. You are pale as a ghost, and you look like a delicate lady."

"What is there in this world for a delicate lady who has no money, but honest work?" asked Edith, in a tone that was almost stern.

"I see that you are such a lady, and it seems that you ought to find some lady-like work, if you must do it," said Mrs. Groody, hesitatingly.

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"Look here, Mr.— (I beg your pardon, I've not the pleasure of knowing your name,) I'm a comparative stranger in Pushon, and am just gaining some little reputation among the better classes. I would rather not compromise myself by attendance upon that family. If you can't get anyone else, and the girl is suffering, of course I'll try and go, but—"

"Enough," interrupted Arden, starting up blushing with wrath. "You should spell your name with an S, I want a man as well as a physician," and, with a look of utter contempt, he hastened away, leaving the medical man somewhat anxious, not about Edith, but whether he had taken the best course in view of his growing reputation.

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"Business is business," was his motto. "People whom we employ we must expect to pay. After all I'm the cheapest man in the place, for I tell my patients the truth, and cure them as quickly as possible."

Arden's urgency soon brought him to Edith's side, and his practised eye saw no serious cause for alarm, and having heard more fully the circumstances, said, "She will be well in a few days if she is kept quiet, and nothing new sets in. Of course she will be sick after last night. One might as well put his hand in the fire and not expect to burn him, as to get very warm and then cool off suddenly without being ill. Her pulse indicates general depression of her system, and need of rest. That's all."

Hannibal stood before her a moment, his quaint old visage working under the influence of emotion, almost beyond control. At last he managed to say:

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We've nothin but vines a-climbin' up de orange bush. If you goes down, we all does. And now, Miss Edie, I'd swallow poison for you, won't you take a cup o' tea for de sake of ole Hannibal? Cause your sweet face looks so pinched, honey, dat I feels dat my ole black heart's ready to bust; and Hannibal, feeling dat the limit of his restraint was reached, retreated precipitately to the kitchen.

The appeal, with its element of deep affection, was more needed by Edith in her half paralyzed state than even the material refreshment. She sat up instantly, and drank the tea and wine, and ate a little of the toast. Then taking the cup and glass into the kitchen,

"There," she said, "see, I've drunk every drop. So don't worry about me any more, my poor ole Hannibal, but go to bed, after your hard day's work."

But Hannibal would not venture out of his dark corner, but muttered, brokenly, "Lor—bress—you—Miss Edie—you're angel—see be better soon—see got de hump."

Edith thought it kindness to leave the old man to recover his self-control in his own time and way, so she said, "Good-night, my faithful old friend. You're worth your weight in gold."

CHAPTER XXI. EDITH'S TRUE KNIGHT.

The next morning Edith was too ill to rise. She had become chilled after her extraordinary exertion of the previous evening, and a severe cold was the consequence; and this, with the nervous prostration of an overtaxed system, made her appear more seriously indisposed than she really was. For the sake of her mother and Laura, she wished to be present at the meagre little breakfast which her economy now permitted, but found it impossible; and later in the day, her mind seemed disposed to wander.

Mrs. Allen and Laura were terror-stricken at this new trouble. Hannibal said they were all leaning on Edith. They had lost confidence in themselves, and now from the outside world.

Poor old Hannibal had no fear for himself. His devotion to Edith reminded one of a faithful dog; it was so strong, instinctive, unreasoning.

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8 10 A. M.—From Water Street, St. John—Express for points West and for Fredericton, St. Stephen, St. Andrew, Houlton, Woodstock and all points North and South.

3 30 P. M.—From Water Street, St. John—Express for Fredericton.

8 30 P. M.—From Water Street, St. John—Night Express for points West, and for St. Stephen, Woodstock, Houlton, and all points North.

2 00 P. M.—From Fredericton—Accommodation for St. John.

6 25 A. M.—From Fredericton—Passenger and Mails for St. John.

9 10 A. M.—From Fredericton for points West North and South.

7 20 A. M.—From Gibson for Woodstock and points North.

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10 10 A. M. at St. John, Water Street—Express from Fredericton.

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4 35 P. M.—At Fredericton, from McAdam at points West, North and South.

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