

petter go and tell Mrs. Podford, and The Romance of Two pack up." He went off briskly, humming "A **Loyal Hearts!**

tice too short?"

Life on the Ocean Wave," and walking with the suggestion of a sailor's lurch in his gait. CHAPTER XII. "Right!" said Vane, with a not

"I want a cook. I'll take him on. We CHAPTER XIII. sail on to-morrow's tide. Is the no-The books Evelyn had brought her opened a new world to Cara. She "Not at all," said Ronald. "I shall devoured them eagerly. A volume

stood beside the hopper, and she read be glad to be on the move. Where are we bound for?" as she worked; read by the light of To his surprise. Vane coloured, the lantern late into the night in her little room; read in the morning as frowned, and stared at his pipe. "Look here, Des-Carew, do you early as the light would permit her.

mind if I don't answer that question?" Hitherto the monotonous routine of he asked, with extreme gravity. "I'd her daily work had if not contented rather not tell you. Neither the cap- her, sufficed her; but these books retain nor the crew know: no one vealed to her the fact of a wider life. knows but myself. If you insist upon of keener pleasures than those of a my telling you-well, I'm afraid we walk across the moor, an unconscious shan't come to terms; but, if you study of Nature in all her moods. wait until we've got out in the Chan- And, strange as it may seem, she unnel. I'll tell you not only the place derstood and appreciated all that she we're bound for, but why we're going read; for she was endowed with a

there." keen intelligence, a natural acute-"Right!" responded Ronald. "I'm ness, a receptive mind, and an imagquite satisfied. Tide turns at six, ination which was her Southern birthdoesn't it? I and my man will be right.

From the moment she turned the here on the quay then.' They shook hands, and Ronald re- pages of the first volume, she seemturned in high spirits to the board- ed to have stepped into fairyland; for suppose you are very rich. I am the ing-house. He got hold of Smithers, the characters in the book were so girl at the mill, and poor; there is a took him into the square, and told novel to her, the scenes depicted so great difference between us. I wonhim of their good fortune. Smithers far outside her experience, that they der you came to see me and brought was quietly delighted. were surrounded by the glamour of "I was certain something would romance. She wondered what it just because you are kind."

turn up, sir," said Smithers; "and would feel like to meet such people Evelyn knew that an evasive anthis seems to be just the sort of thing as she read of, to see the things the wer would be worse than unsatisfacbooks described: she grew wistful. to suit you." tory. She was silent for a moment: "And you too, I hope," said Ronald. dreamy; and very often she stood then she said:

"Anything that will suit you will on the brow of the hill and looked "Of course, I know what you mean, suit me, sir," returned that cheery in- down at the village below with a new Cara. Yes; we are differently placdividual. "I haven't been to sea be- interest, a vague longing to see more 3d in life; and I have more of the fore, as the puppy said when they f the world of which she had read. good things of this threw him into the river, but I once The flowers Evelyn had given her have; but, after all, there is not so lived next door to a man whose stood in the little jug on the rough much difference as you think. We uncle's daughter married a bo'sun, so box which formed Cara's dressingare both women-girls. rather-and. that I may say as I know something table; and as her eyes wandered to just beneath the surface, I imagine of seafaring-and I've been down to all girls are very much alike; and them or she bent over them lovingly. Greenwich on a penny steamer and I'm afraid that my kindness, as you she wondered how soon it would be wasn't sick; so I dare say I shall get before Evelyn Desborough came think it, was not disinherited. To be on all right. Anyhow, I can smoke, again. She had not long to wait; for quite candid-and it is very difficult and, so far as I've seen, that's the three days after her first visit Eve- to be anything else with you, Cara," most important part of a sailorman's lyn drove up in the jingle. Cara she put in, with a laugh-"I felt duties. Where may we be agoin' to. heard her and ran quickly to the door, drawn towards you the first time I sir?" 1 STATE STATE but paused before she reached it, and saw you. It was not only because

wiping hers on her apron. "I have

brought you some more books; though

"Really!" exclaimed Evelyn, with a

"They were beautiful." said Cara.

"That will not matter," said Eve-

not speak with so strong an accent as

your father. I suppose that is be-

"I suppose so," said Cara indiffer-

"Isn't it a lovely afternoon?" said

with me." Cara looked before he

loubtfully, and then at her rough, be-

loured attire. "There is no wind, the

mill is not working, so that you are

free," urged Evelyn. "It will be beau-

tiful driving across the moor, and I

will not keep you longer than

cause you were brought up here?"

ently, as if the matter were of no con

sequence.

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augh. "How quickly you have got drives together; and you must let me

suppose you haven't read the oth-

"Yes: every one." said Cara.

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Evelyn flushed with pleasure. "You dear girl!" she said. "How peautifully you said that. Now, that's Italian! An English girl would have been too gauche-I mean shy and reserved-to have said anything

Cara lifted her wonderful eyes, and looked at Evelyn thoughtfully.

vou.'

which Cara met Evelyn's overtures of friendship. They drove across the moor and descended the hill to the road. Cara looked about her with inter

> "I have not been here before," she said. Evelyn gazed at her with astonish-

ment. "What a little hermit you are!" sh said. "Do you not go down to the clothes, the perfectly guantleted village?' hand.

Cara shook her head.

she asked gravely. "That is not true; we are very different. You are a lady, and wear beautiful clothes.

mind. I have seen the people of the village, and I do not care for them." "No?" said Evelyn. "Some of them are quite nice people. But," she ad led, looking thoughtfully at the girl's me books and flowers. I suppose it is almost statuesone face. "I think I un-

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speak Italian, Cara?" "Oh, yes," replied Cara, with slight surprise. "I speak it with my father ometimes, though he does not like



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half so pretty." "You are English," she said; "you was not repelled by the silence with are not shy." Evelyn laughed. "Oh, but I am sometimes. But I

don't feel as if I could be with you: for we seem to understand each oth er. We both love books and flowers; and I dare say there are other things

we have in common.' Cara's dark brows drew together; she shook her head, and glanced at Evelyn, at her face, her hat, her

word, I can't explain the feeling!-

itors to the Hall, and I suppose every

girl hankers after the friendship of

other girls. But don't let us worry

about it. We are friends, are we

not? You will share my books with

me, and we will go for walks and

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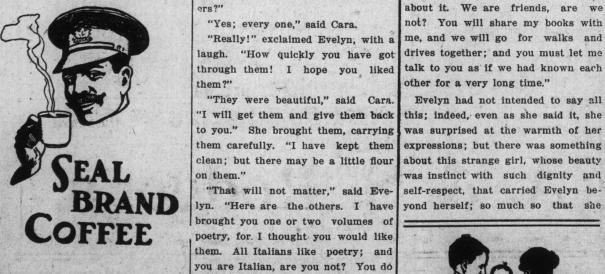
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other for a very long time."

"Do you mean that we are alike?"

"No." she replied. "I do not often from the moor; my father loes not wish me to, and I do not

opened it and went out slowly; but of the plucky way in which you stop-"I don't know." replied Ronald. with a laugh, and expecting Smithers' there was a dash of colour in her ped the horses, but because-upon my enthusiasm to vanish; but Smithers face and her eyes were bright. re-echoed the laugh, and threw up nis "Here I am again!" said Evelyn, let us say that I took a fancy to you. head with the optimism characteris-I do not know many girls of my own with her irresistible smile, as she held tic of him age: we have not many friends, visout her hand, which Cara took. after



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ne to do it often: he likes me to be as English as possible."

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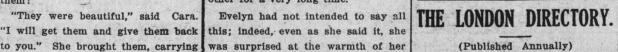
"No," said Cara; "she died when I was quite a little baby." Evelyn put out her hand and laid it oftly on Cara's.

"I too have no mother, Cara," she Almost unthinkingly Evelyn had

driven in the direction of the Hall and presently they came within sight

Cara gazed at the great house, and she said gravely: "What a beautiful place!"

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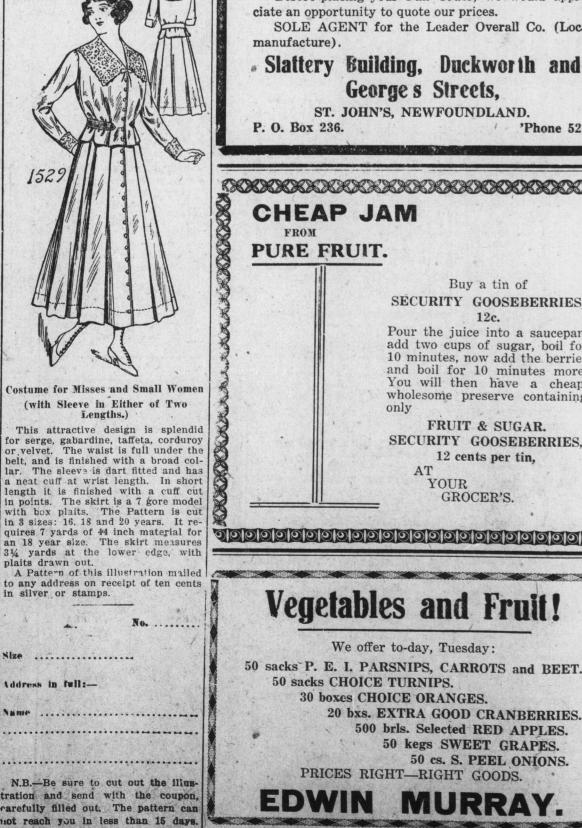
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