

nice to keep up with George without saying a word. George has the loveliest eyes, and to see him—(Here follows an appreciation that the Editors judge it would be profanation to divulge, and also some remarks on a certain person designated as Alice which we also think it proper to suppress).

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If I am to be strictly truthful and candid, as I promised myself when I began, I must begin with myself. My name is Gladys Harrington. That's easy, though perhaps unnecessary here. I am a brunette, of rather striking appearance, I am told, neat in my habits, eyes brown, tending to grey, and a disposition that, under proper treatment, would be amiable.

* * * I have been six years in the Department. My salary is \$500, and for that I pound the types "from morn till noon, from noon to dewy eve" (as George says), or, in other words, from 10 to 4. The old fogies here, particularly that mean old Jones, won't give me a chance at anything better. Their eyes are on themselves all the time. All eagerness when it comes to getting more salary for themselves, they think that their subordinates, and especially the girls, should be content with anything. Some of the girls say that our motto should be "without fear (of being bounced) and without hope." That's about it. As to the "hope" business, who wants to stay in their old service forever anyway? I met Miss — of the — Dept. the other day. She's fifty if she's a day, and looked that yellow that it gave me a turn. I haven't been myself since. But to resume. Gladys, I say unto thee,—but cautiously even to thee,—that thou art now of the age of 27; that thou hast of material possessions worth mentioning just \$82 in money, a not-too-shabby pongee silk for best, and a rather striking hat, trimmed with trimmings, which George certainly did admire that Saturday aft-

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