



Tales of the Road

No. III.

In 1907 an attempt was made in "Tales of the Road" to share with my friends some of the amusing, sad and dramatic incidents which occur so frequently in travelling over the western prairies. Friends were more than appreciative, and like the immortal Oliver "asked for more," so in 1911 "Tales of the Road No. II" found its way to Christmas parcels, and I still cherish the many kindly letters received on that occasion. Since 1911 I have become a camera fiend, and, like so many who take to crime late in life, am an "incorrigible." "Tales of the Road No. III" is mainly told by reproductions from snap shots, taken on various journeys of business, and one of pleasure. The pleasure jaunt was the Triennial Meeting of the Canadian Women's Press Club, and the mountain scenes were all taken either on the line of the G.T.P. or near the C.P.R. at Banff, when the club members were happy guests of those great roads. Much of the travel this year was done by motor, and in looking over my notebook there are very few stories from these trips. A motor is a good means of getting over the ground but is wholly lacking the social and human interest that comes in a long day behind a good span of horses. Nine times out of ten the chauffeur knows little or nothing of the country through which he drives day after day; moreover, he is almost invariably sulky at being required to stop so frequently to permit of grain being examined. Pictures and stories gave me much pleasure in collecting, and if they afford my friends a few moments of interest and amusement they will not have been gathered in vain. They are sent with the time-honored wish

"A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year."

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