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THE FIGHTING HOPE-From Page 1

It's modern, independent hair."
This mood would never do. The
prim New Englander saw it. "I say,
Anna, what you need is to have a littie visit with your children. Mr. Tem-

the visit with your children. Mr. Temple will excuse you for a day, I know. You can run out to see them, and"—
"Oh, but I can't—I can't, you see," cried Anna in an extremity of desire and duty. "A day? Why, just in that very day the evidence I'm seeking might come—a letter, a telegram, a telephone message. Look here, Mrs. Mason." Opening a drawer of her desk, see took out a handkerchief. One corner of it was tied in a hard One corner of it was tied in a hard knot over many tiny scraps of paper.

"As Mr. Temple was leaving the room just before you came in he tore up this lefter and threw it in the waste basket, you understand? You ask me often why I am so white in the morn ings when I come down to breakfast. Wall it's because I haven't slept. It's because I've been passing the night trying to piece together just such scraps as these. Always—always with

'Nothing works against him. Everything—every little bit of evidence works for him. A little side light on works for him. A httie side light on his splendid fighting qualities here; another on some unknown patrician act of kindness to some fellow being there. Oh, it's horrible, horrible! As I say, the whole of life seems to have got mixed—jumbled. Yet I must go on hoping against hope for the chil-

"Dearie, I know what I'll do. I'll run out myself tomorrow and see them and fetch you back direct word. Would you like it?"

For reply, in an abandon of gratefulness, Anna drew the elder woman down to her and kissed her again and That afternoon, taking a stroll in the

garden, Anna's heart felt lighter, and her dimples stirred incipiently, remem-

"Tomorrow," she said softly, stopping for a second before a ros



TOGETHER THEY EXTRACTED THE SKIRT. and leaning her cheek down to one of the Gloire de Dijon triumphs. "Oh, tomorrow, please come quickly!"

A thorn caught her skirt as she was

in the act of moving on.
"May I help?" asked Burton Temple, advancing. Unknown to her he had been reading in the little vine covered pagoda opposite, Cato at his feet. Together they extracted the skirt, a fragile texture transparent with lace, a faint perfume in it. He noticed that she wore a porte bonheur on her arm with a turquoise in it. It made the skin look white, or the skin made it look blue. The petty common service broke the spell of formality which

usually existed between them in the library. "Are you going farther down the path? May I walk with you?" he asked, and, having received the assent of her head and a nonchalant "If you

wish," he began: "Do you know what I was thinking about, Miss Dale, as I sat there in the pagoda? I was wondering where I had met you before. Since the very first day you came I have often wondered that. I have seen you beforeoh, no, there is no doubt about it—but where I can't recall."

some other incarnation, I dare say," laughed she. "Was it when we were swinging from trees or not so long ago as that? Could it"-yes, she would tempt the fates and be downright courageous-"could it have been in the days when I was in the Exchange building. One meets so

"The Exchange building? Ah, pre cisely! I recall it all now, and how I used to find myself unwittingly looking for you after that first day. But I was called south, and when I came back you had vanished." He spoke

"The first day? I don't quite understand," queried she.

"I was coming down in the elevator. harried to death, my mind in a frightful state of turmoil. I found you watching me from some crowded corner, and I looked directly into your He studied her now with a smile serious and tender. "I looked, and it was like bathing one's face in a pool of spring water after a hot journey," he ended simply.

It came back with such unmistakable vividness to Anna that she spoke spontaneously:

You did look worried." "Oh, you remember, too?" he cried. "I can't tell you how glad that makes me. I couldn't get you out of my mind somehow. You see, I never did get you out of my mind. Some faces stay

with us. Yours stayed." The woman beside him had become very grave, feeling the beat of her pulse quicken with the distant surge of a strange joy, a joy indistinct as ster springs. Submit best offers to the tremor of an unrisen sun, yet all pervasive. Realizing her danger, deft-

ly she veered for mood.

"Yes, I passed our old elevator bey
on the street a few mouths ago," she
remarked casually, stooping to pat the
mastiff's head. "I remembered his face,
too, though it had been over a decade

The man's face was rueful as he nod

Below them was the broad expanse of the Hudson, scintillating as a sapphire in the glow of the summer after noon. A yachting party steaming up river waved bats and handkerchiefs at them in pure good fellowship. It seemed good to be alive. Temple pulled two chairs under the shade of the trees, and they sat down. In the distance the cliffs of the Palisades rose and beckoned alluringly.

"Do you know what I used to call them, those cliffs?" said he, seeing his companion's eyes upon them. "My enchanted palaces. When I was a child the palace of enchantmen the future, the mysterious, ineffable future when I should be grown up. when I should be a man, when the world would be my garden, the world and life and all their riches mine to explore, to adventure in. And, oh, the people by whom the world and the fu-ture were inhabited, the cavalcading knights, the lovely princes and glory and all manner of romance, I had them for the wishing. Did you ever have such an enchanted palace Miss Dale?" asked he whimsically.

"Yes," acquiesced she softly, falling in with his mood, the sympathetic bond which always asserted itself when she was not on guard, drawing her once again. "Oh, yes; I, too, had my enchanted palace, a many pin-nacled palace built of gold and silver, ivory, alabaster and mother of pearl; the fountains in its courts ran with perfumed waters." Her voice trailed off dreamily, and Temple thrilled with the music of it. "And its pleasaunce was an orchard of pomegranates. One had no need to spare one's colors, you know." She turned to him with an adorable smile.

"I know." He was at one with her now, responding intuitively to the play of her emotions. "And the stars left their courses to fight for you, and the winds of heaven vied with each other to prosper your galleons—wasn't it like that?" He looked at her; she was scarcely listening; she was watching the sunlight catching on the tops of the Palisades. It was just as well; he was safer in his inspection of her so.

"Uh-huh! Like that," she said, her ears mechanically following his words. "I dare say," she went on musingly, "it must be that we pass the enchant palace while we are asleep. Surely, at first, it is before us—we can see it glistening in the distance, like the peaks yonder. We shall reach it tomorrow, next month, next year. And one morning we wake up andand it is behind us. We've passed it, and we can't turn back. We must go on." Her voice ended in a little half

The sight of a tear trembling on her lashes cost Burton Temple a hundred conflicts with himself. He felt a sudden warmth behind his eyes and in his throat. All he did, however, was to look big, hold his tongue and envy the dead their enforced responsibility.

"I—I'm not often agitated," said Anna, rising, with an odd, starry smile, "and you must pardon me that display of oversentiment." But before he could have spoken: "I must really go in now. I've promised Mrs. Mason to play a game of pachisi, or cribbage, or something," she faltered. So Temple, elaborately commiserating, escorted her up the red gravel path.

Anna was growing excessively uneasy. For quite two hours now she'd been anxiously expecting Mrs. Mason's estfield. What could be the matter? At the very least it must be the measles. Finally, however, her elder friend came in smilingly, disarming all fears.

"And how's the new nurse getting on with them? Does she make Robbie wear his rubbers on wet days? Is his cold quite gone? Is Harold's finger well again? Have they hid that hor-rid penknife?" Anna was untying Mrs. Mason's veil and pouring out her questions in a torrent.

Mrs. Mason assured her that the boys were both well and happy, that the new nurse was doing beautifully and that, except for a few hours when the rascals had her locked in the chicken house, she was having a fine time.

"Oh. she won't mind an incons quential thing like the chicken house," laughed Anna, handing Mrs. Mason her veil pins, "when once she's used to those boys. They locked their mother in one day, and I had to spank them poor little dears. Oh, but I'm sick with longing for them-sick!"

"I know, dearie," soothed Mrs. Mason, patting her on the back. "But I've something else to tell you. You couldn't guess why I was so late coming back? No? Well, I've been up to see Robert."

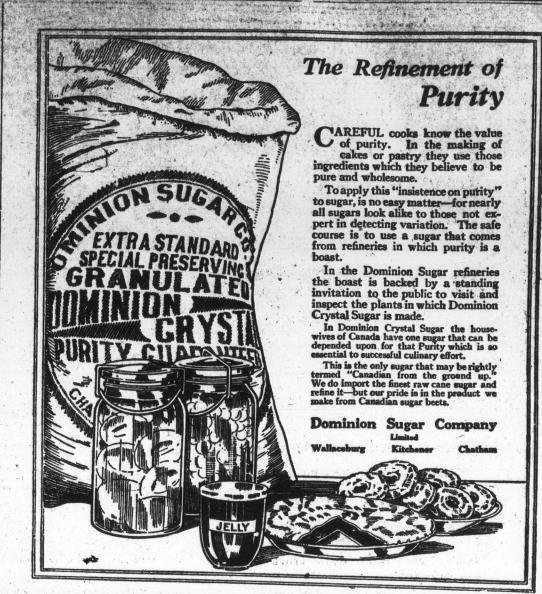
"You have!" Anna started never so slightly. "Is-is he well? Is he keeping up? What did he think about my being here?"

"Oh, he's well, and he's keeping up. They're all very good to him. They feel he is up there through a miscarriage of justice. They treat him kind-They've made him what they call a 'trusty.'

Anna was listening with strained attention. "You explained to him, didn't you,

Mrs. Mason? You made it chear just why I left home? You made him understand that I am in a position here to find out the truth that will convict the man who has done this thing?" Mrs. Mason plucked several imaginary threads off her skirts to bide her

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