

place was raided, and she found herself a criminal before the bar of Justice. (Who were the real criminals?) Being convicted, she was remanded for sentence. Her father was communicated with, and overjoyed to learn of the whereabouts of his dear lost daughter, came at once, and was allowed to take her home with him.

A Hairbreadth Escape An excellent illustration of how the purest and most innocent girls may be entrapped and enslaved is given in the following incident. A winsome young lady from a rural village that might be named, was on her way to visit a girl friend in a well-known city. She was not expecting her friends to meet her. A well dressed, respectable looking matron in the train managed to get into casual conversation with her and to learn the circumstances. She was most kind, said she lived quite near her young companion's friend, and invited her to go up with her. They took a carriage. The woman insisted on the girl going in with her, then prevailed upon her to stay for tea, invited her to stay over night. It would be such a pleasure, and her friend was not expecting her anyway. This, however, being refused, she invited the girl to make use of an upstairs room in preparing to leave, then coolly turned the key upon her. She was perplexed and alarmed, but helpless. No response met her knocks and calls. By and bye the door opened and a man entered the room. He was a commercial traveller. He knew the girl by sight. He had sold goods to her father. He was not heartless. He told her she was in a house of ill-fame. She was horrified and ready to collapse of fright. He sought to devise her deliverance. This was not easy without exposing his own wrongdoing. A clever scheme enabled him to get permission of the mistress to take her out for a drive. He left her at her friend's door, after exacting a solemn promise easily obtained, that his "beneficiary" would protect his own reputation and hers. What if almost any other patron of such a place had been the first to visit her?

Incidents like this surely demonstrate how easily the unsuspecting girl fresh from the security of the family circle may be victimized by smooth-tongued, unscrupulous wretches of either sex, and put beyond doubt the need of faithfully warning all girls of the perils threatening them when they journey unchaperoned to any large city. These dangers are many times greater when girls go to the city to remain and earn their living amid new surroundings, and are compelled to make their home in the less expensive