BURNT ORANGE

Ordway shut the door of p, causing the bell to ring. M on came at once from the in l stood waiting. Ralph seen

suk. It's for my sis-confided. "You see, and cover for the Will, and she's obliged to

color does she want?

What color does she want?" ewed his forchead painfully, the mischief of it. I can't exactly. Singed-singed-t gets singed besides cats?" vas getting redder and more-d. His misery was increased sence of a graceful, dark eyed three yellow chrysanthemuns t, who was leaning over the atching wools and listening used expression.

again." tu Mabel's obliged to have it to-. The fair's tomorrow. You see," livided this information between Williamson and her dark-eyed mer, "when Mabel wants any-she has got to have it, and that's ere is about it. Scorched—scorch-that is it they scorch besides the ?"

have no such color," Mrs. William

on insisted. The dark-eyed girl's expression had hanged from amusement to sympathy. "Perhaps it is burnt orange that the rentleman is looking for," she suggest-

d. Ralph beamed on her, "That's it— umt orange! You have saved me!' Mrs. Williamson took down a tray "How many skeins will you require?' Ralph looked perplexed again. "' n't remember exactly, but give me I you have. Mabel never has enough anything." nything." he counted the skeins. "There ar

or anything." She counted the skeins. "There are fifeen." "All right, I'll take 'em all." The paid for the parcei and tucked it carefully into an inner pocket. "Thank you," he said genially, and turning to the dark-eyed gril, "I'm aw-fully obliged to you. You have saved my life," he whisperd. "I don't think he is dangerous." Mrs. Williamson remarked, as he closed the shop door. The girl laughed. "Oh, he isn't in-sane," she answered, in a mellow con-traito voice. "I fancy Mabel is a little too strenuous. Have you silverglow in a darker shade?" Ralph Ordway had accomplished all his errands and was ready to go home. As he hurried around a corner he no-ticed a graceful girl who was rapidly is searching her cost-pockets. Something (familiar in her pose and gesture made him turn back. Yes. there were three

nd you sing in our

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ns, you know: Say, are you in the lling Workers' Fair?" 'Yes, I have promised to assist Silbusiness. And I haven't a dozen ktie to my name. Just save a dozen your best ones for me. Say. may I roduce Mabel to you? She can't sing if Mabel wants anything she has to have it. You wouldn't mind try-

ecktie to my name. Just save a dozen of your best ones for me. Say. may I introduce Mabel to you? She can't sing ut if Mabel wants anything she has ot to have it. You wouldn't mind try-ag out a few duets?" "Certainly not." "Say, Miss Athearn." Ralph's gen-il face grew serious. "Do you believe a foreordination.?" "Do you believe a foreordination." "Do you believe do now. Say, Miss Athearn, I think was foreordained that we should help ach other out the way we have with hat singed stuff and your lost ticket. What do you think?" She laughed again. "That silk is burnt

I'll have to slow up."

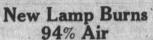
Ralph Ordway may not have been altogether beautiful Rose Athearn's ideal of manly perfection, but Mabel's conquering determination to get what she wanted may have run in the family, for when Rose went back to Jersey City she was wearing a solitaire ring and Ralph, with the aid of a dictionary, was writing daily letters. Soon after she went away, Ralph escorted Mabel to a party given by the Willing Work-ers. Mabel wantes him to go, and he went. They were playing a game in which each participant was given paper and pencil and required to answer 10 questions truly. He turned constantly for suggestions to Jim Barrows, who was his right hand neighbor. "Say, Jim, who is my favorite poet?

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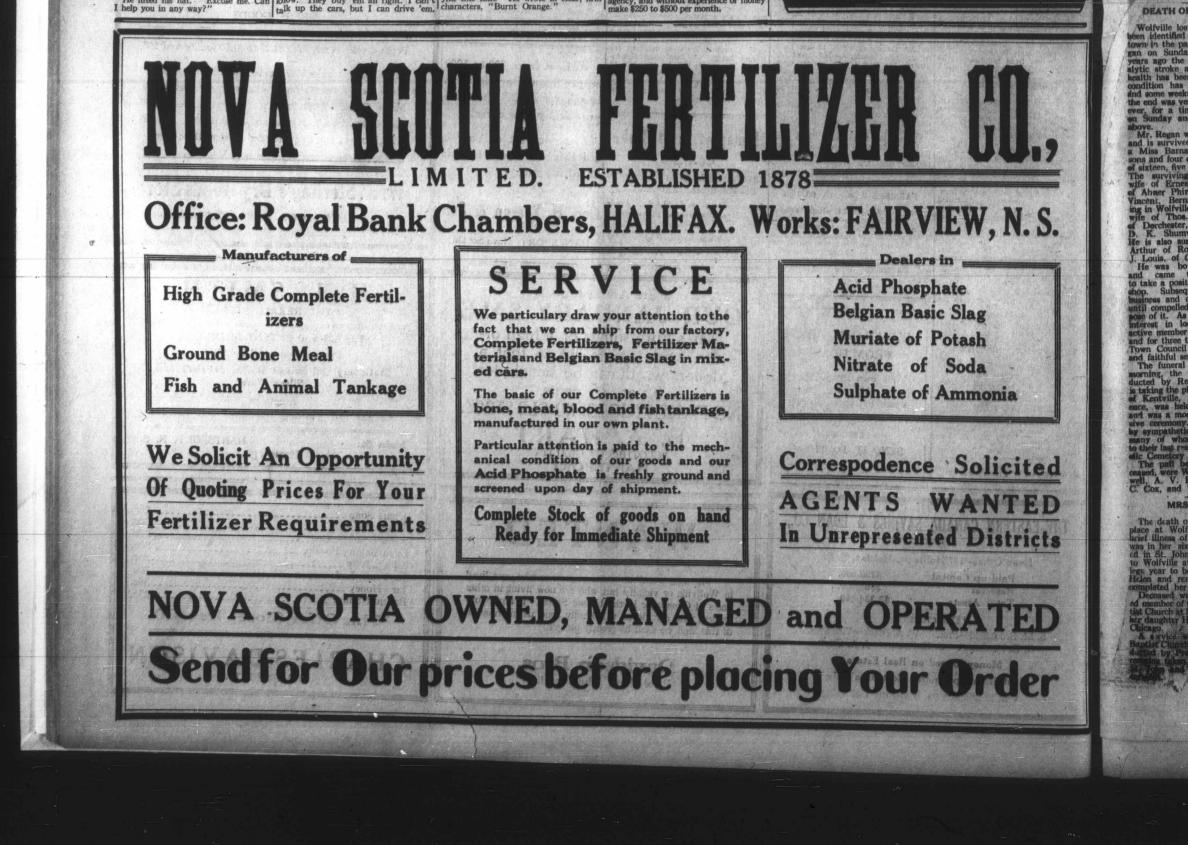
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