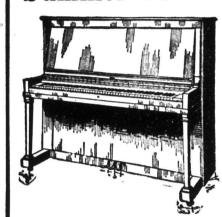
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and the happy-voiced woman had been his wife, the child, his child!

"The bus is here, Miss Archibald." The manager's voice roused her to a sense of her surroundings and her need

She smiled faintly and held out her hand. "Thank you very much for the pleasant time you have helped to give me," she said, with a nervous warmth which did not escape him. He watched her as she entered the cab and drove away. What had caused the beautiful and composed Miss Archibald to turn so pale, and to speak with such ill-concealed

To Janet, the journey back to the city seemed interminable. She wanted to reach the privacy of her own rooms where she could shut out inquisitive faces, forget the words that danced before her eyes-John Stevens, wife and child. Would the dumb ache at her heart never cease? Why, after all these years, should she learn that he was anything to her? She had always known that he was free to marry; why should the knowledge that he had married give her such pain?

They were skirting the edge of a marsh, a dreary looking place with its black pools of water and treacherous looking ground. Janet shivered as she looked at it. Could life, she wondered, be as desolate as that?

There was a sudden shock, a jarring, grating noise, and the train came to a standstill. The passengers rose excitedly and rushed to the door. Janet rose with them, but paused, irresolute. Hers was a well controlled nature; there might, after all, be no cause for alarm.

Presently, one of the passengers, came back to tell her that a car was derailed, and that they would have to remain here until it was put in position.

Janet settled herself again in the seat. The car had quickly emptied, but she had no desire to mingle with the crowd. She craved solitude, even though her own company must mean misery.

She rested her head on her hand and gazed wearily out of the window at the bleak marsh. This was the place, she remembered, that the government proposed draining. What an immense amount of work! Work—how glad she would be to get back to it once more! It was the only thing to help her forget, and she would more than ever throw her unbounded energy into it.

All at once she was aware that some one had entered the car and was watching her. Though she could not see, she distinctly felt the eyes of the person on her. She turned her head, and as she did, the last vestige of color left her face.

At the far end of the car a man was standing, regarding her with mingled surprise and tenderness in his fine eyes. He had the mark of the out-doors about him, in his bronzed face and glowing vitality, in the health and resolute purpose that he radiated.

He flushed as her gaze fell on him, then, as she rose to her feet with incredulous eyes, he came forward with the old vigorous swing, and took her hand in the strong clasp she remembered so well. What was he doing here? Was it possible that he had boarded the train at the same station as she?

"How are you?" he said warmly. "This is an unexpected pleasure. You're looking-well, a bit pale, if you don't mind me saying so. Been working

"Dissipating, you mean," she answered with a forced laugh. Through the medium of his natural greeting, she had regained her poise. "I've been holidaying, and am just returning to work." Evidently, he had not seen her at the hotel. "But I am in splendid health. You look well yourself."

"I ought to be," he replied. "My work takes me out of doors constantly. I've spent most of my time right here at this marsh. A dreary looking place, isn't nt: But it will look different in a few years time."

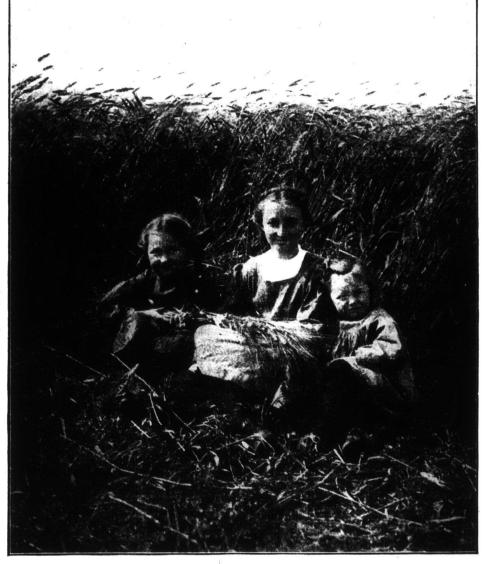
In answer to her questioning look, he continued. The government intend

had occupied the room adjoining her's, draining it, if feasible, and it can be and the happy-voiced woman had been done. It's a big undertaking, but it's worth the trouble and expense.'

He spoke with the enthusiasm and mastery that was so a part of his nature. Janet remembered his joy in conquest, he had always said that obstacles should recognize the existence of his wife. prove a stimulus. And apparently, he had overcome several when the government had chosen him to estimate the a laugh, "I don't know that she'd have expense of such a scheme. She knew anything to be proud of, even if I were it was an honor, the recognition of the possessor of a wife, which, unfortuability, and the fact that he had been nately, I'm not."

She turned to him again. "You have succeeded wonderfully," she said, speaking with well-assumed warmth. "I-I'm sure your wife must be proud of you." It was a hard thing to say, but Janet knew that sooner or later she must

A bewildered look passed over his face. "My wife!" he exclaimed. Then, with



Hiding from father

appointment, raised him in her estima- She looked dazedly at him for a moment, tion. He was a man one might be then the embarassed colour stained her proud of. She admired success above all smooth cheeks. "But," she queried, "I other qualities.

One might be proud of! She had low Inn last night?" almost forgotten that it was some other He shook his head in negation. "Was woman who had the right to be proud there a John Stevens registered there? of him. She turned her head that he might not see the pain in her eyes.

the real work of course."

so modest in the intimation of his It was Janet's turn for bewilderment. thought-didn't you register at the Wil-

> "With his wife and child," she explained, and her voice trembled slightly.

"I camped beside the marsh last night," "I am on my way now to turn in my "I camped beside the marsh last night," report." he added. "After that will come he said. "It must have been another John Stevens. It's a common name."

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