

A GOLDEN ROOM IN A WOODEN HOUSE.

Our Young People tells this incident: One day last week a beautiful girl rustled into a cable car and sat down with her companion. Her dress, of pure white serge, was fresh from the dressmaker's, and looked the embodiment of dainty freshness.

"I think it is dreadful," she whispered to her companion. "Why don't the company refuse to let such creatures on the cars; or, if they must ride, I would think they could stay in the smoker. It will ruin my dress if I touch him, I know. Just see how he stares at me."

And so he did, his great eyes lightening and softening as they fell on the girl's fair beauty; and then he arose, and leaning forward to catch the strap, fairly bent over her. The girl grew restive.

"I am sure he is very impertinent," she said.

And when the conductor came around she motioned him.

"Won't you make this man move?" she said.

"Move up!"

The words were said in the quick, sharp tone one uses usually in speaking to a cross animal.

"Yeess," the Italian answered; "but see zee oil! Zee bootiful lady, see?"

The lady looked up, and saw the oil lamp had sprung aleak, and would have dripped all over her had not this man seen it, and stretching out his arms above her, formed an umbrella, which had perfectly protected her beautiful dress and bonnet.

A guilty blush came into her face as she bowed her thanks to him, and murmured to her friend:—

"It makes me so ashamed to think while I was scolding him and he knew it, he should have taken such pains for me. It's a lesson I will not soon forget that those poor laborers have better souls than I have. I'll never be scornful to one again."

—There is a popularity to be dreaded, and a popularity to be desired. All true work done for the glory of God has a tendency to draw to itself the favor of man. Our Lord (the Ideal Worker) "grew in favor with God and man," and all Christian workers should do the same, not by compromising God's truth, but by living up to it in all its fullness. A right popularity is God's gift, and if it linger we ought

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anxiously to consider whether its absence be due entirely to the wickedness of the world around us or to ourselves. . . . He gives His gifts to the few that they may use them for the many. You have gifts of knowledge, power, character, that you may use them for others.



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The young man became despondent, and resolved to commit suicide. While he was writing a note telling his reasons for ending his life a knock was heard upon the door, and a sweet-faced lady entered. She was a neighbour, and hearing of his illness had sought him out.

She smiled so sweetly that even before she spoke the young man gave up the idea of the crime which he had contemplated. She spoke a few encouraging words to him and when she placed her soft hand upon his hot forehead in a motherly way he broke down and sobbed like a child. She smiled again, and knelt in silent prayer by his bedside, with the sweet love token by which God spoke to him still glowing upon her bright womanly face.

In that holy silence all his bitterness of soul left him, and there came an intense desire to seek and find Christ. The repentant one felt the presence of God's Spirit, and his hungry soul cried out for rest and peace. Ere the smile had faded from the upturned face of the Christian woman the loving Savi-

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