

Young People

A Revolving Cage

By Leonard Hatch

It all started because I was lazy. If I had done my work promptly and thoroughly, I should not have been ordered to stay on after the regular closing hour to finish it. If I had not stayed on working alone, it would never have occurred to me to— But I am anticipating the causes which stopped my dawdling for good and all.

I was working that winter in a big office-building as porter's assistant and general boy of all work. It was my business to keep the public corridors spick and span—to scrub floors, polish the brasswork round the stairways and elevators, and keep the office door-knobs glistening.

But instead of feeling pride in the huge office-building, with its many stories and honeycombing corridors, I had grown shiftless. I did just enough work to keep from being reprimanded. And to-day I had not even done that, for at dusk the head porter came to me and told me—with perfect justice—that my work had not been done thoroughly; that I was to stay on and work an hour over my usual time.

After the frequent manner of one who is in the wrong, I grew sulky and resentful. My fellow workers left one by one. Even the belated stenographers began to leave their empty offices. Finally the elevators stopped running. The big building grew still. At last I finished polishing all the brasswork, and might have gone home. But my heart was still filled with resentment. "I'll show him!" thought I to myself. "I'll show him whether I'm lazy or not!" I cast about for something extra to do. The new revolving door! I would scrub the glass in that.

This contrivance was new. It had just been set in place in the long corridor on the first floor. Complaints about the sweeping draft from the outer doors of the building had become so insistent that the owners had resorted to this means of eradicating the evil.

This door was built on the usual lines. There were two curving side pieces, between which revolved the door itself—exactly like a plus sign between two parentheses. You entered one side; the door turned on its central pivot; and you emerged from the other side. For the purpose of closing such a door the side pieces were hinged so that they could be swung inward, in which event it was as if the plus sign were encased in a close-fitting circle. All the parts were made of wood waist-high; above that was very heavy plate glass.

Such doors have become tolerably familiar now, and are hung on ball bearings, so that they turn easily when one pushes against them. But at that time they were new; and certain inventors had designed them to be run constantly by a motor, so that all human pressure was obviated. Later this form was found dangerous to children, and was abandoned.

But ours was of this type—motor-driven. The motor which operated it was in the basement, connected with a dynamo which ran day and night, to provide power for the lights and elevators in the building. And this motor had not yet been properly adjusted. Twice that day, when it was thought to be disconnected, the gears had suddenly meshed and started the door, to the annoyance of workmen who were putting in a few final screws. Every employee in the building had been given peremptory orders not to touch the door, but in my present bitter and cock-sure mood I felt a supreme indifference to the order.

I went along the dim, echoing corridor to the new door, carrying scrubbing materials—cloths, cleansing polish, and a box on which to stand, for I am only five feet six in height. My hope was not to find the enclosing sides shut, for as they were fitted with spring-locks, I should not have been able to reach the inside of the door.

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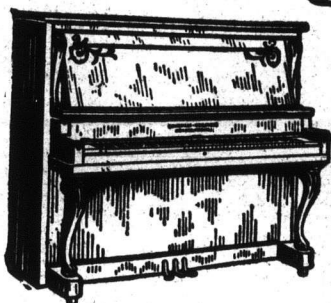


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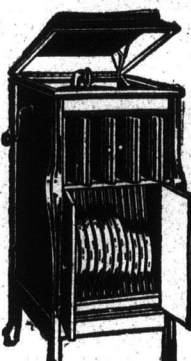
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