

THE HOLLOW OF HER HAND

By GEORGE BARR McCUTCHEON
Author of "Graustark," "Truxton King," Etc.

She was the sort of girl one falls in love with and remembers the rest of his life.

Take her now, for instance, as she swings along the highway, fresh, trim and graceful, her chin uplifted, her cheeks warm, her eyes clear and as blue as sapphires, and we experience the most intense, unreasoning desire to be near her at her side, where chance could touch her and the very spell of her creep over one to make a man of him.

The kind of woman one wants to draw close to him because his heart is sweet. She had the blood of a fellow creature on her hands—the blood of one who had yet we men will overlook one commandment for another. It is a matter of choice.

What of her present position in the house and in the heart of the one woman who of all those we know is abnormally unfeminine in that she subordinates the natural and instinctive animosity of a husband, no matter how unworthy or how hateful he may have been to her behind the screen with which she hides her sores from the world. The answer is ready: Hetty was a slave bound to an extraordinary condition. There had been no coercion on the part of Chas. or Hetty's wife; no actual restraint had been set upon the girl. The situation was a plain one from every point of view. Hetty owed her life to Sara, she would have paid with her life's blood the debt she owed. It had become perfectly natural for her to consider herself a willing, grateful prisoner—a prisoner on parole. She loved her jailer with a love that knew no bounds; she loved the walls Sara had thrown up about her; she was content to live and die in the luxurious cell, attended by love and kindness and mercy. After all, Hetty was even more feminine than we seem able to convey in words.

Not in that she lacked in pride or sensitiveness, but that she possessed to a self-satisfying degree the ability to subordinate both of these to a loyalty that had no bounds. There were fine feelings in Hetty. She was honest with herself. She did not know of her own small circumstance that Sara Wendall made possible for her. She knew that her peril, her ruin lay in the desire to step outside that narrow circle for out there the world was cold and merciless. She lived as one charmed by some powerful influence, and was content. Not once had the fear entered her soul that Sara would turn against her. Her trust in Wendall's wife was infinite. In her simple, devoted heart she felt no prickle of dread so far as the present was concerned. The past was dead; the future was the past; and its loathsomeness was moderated by subtle contrast with the present. As for the future, it belonged to Sara Wendall. It was hers.

If Sara were to decide that she must be given up to the law, all well and good. She could meet her fate with a smile for Sara, and with love in her heart. She could pay in full if the demand was made by the wife of the man she had left in the grim little upstairs room at Burton's Inn on that never-to-be-forgotten night in March.

The Delicacy of Baby's Skin

Cold Air, Rough Winds, Strong Soaps Often Bring on Chronic Eczema.

More beautiful than the rose is baby's skin when in health, and so delicate that it is susceptible to anything which irritates. For this reason baby's skin troubles are many, and frequently chronic itching eczema is developed.

Nothing can be better for baby's skin, when irritated, than Dr. Chase's Ointment, and when eczema is developed by the use of his preparation with the knowledge that its wonderful record as a healer of the skin is due to the success it has proven in the cure of eczema.

The intense itching of eczema of the face and scalp is very hard for the little one to bear, and is a source of worry and anxiety to the mother. The itching parts are scratched, and nasty and colored sores are formed. Eczema naturally becomes chronic, and spreads over the body. You can positively control eczema and cure it by the use of Dr. Chase's Ointment. What is better still is to use this ointment for all chafing and irritation of the skin and prevent eczema from getting started.

Boys and Girls

This is your chance to earn either a Gunmetal Watch or a pair of Hockey Skates

During your spare time, in the mornings, after school, or on Saturdays, ask your neighbors, the grocer, the butcher, the baker, or anyone you think of, if they don't want to:

Sell Some Live Stock Find a New Job Rent Their Rooms
Sell Some Property Find a Servant Rent Their House
Sell Some Poultry Find a Home Rent Their Flat
Sell Some Furniture Find a Lost Article Rent Their Barn

Then tell them an ADVERTISER WANT AD will do any of those things for them. It only costs 15 cents for the first insertion in the Morning, Noon and Evening Editions, and half a cent a word for each subsequent insertion.

To the boy or girl bringing in the largest number of Want Advertisements during the month of February.

Any boy or girl can enter the contest. There is nothing to buy—simply a little work in your spare time.

All desiring to enter should leave their names at the Advertising Department of The London Advertiser and receive an advertising blank and a price list.

Don't Forget the Contest is Now Open and Closes on the 28th

In jest," she cried, shocked by his glib remark. "You didn't know Chas.," he cried almost surlily. She held her breath. After a moment, the points of his little moustache went up again in the habitual barometrical smile. Rather a priggish, supercilious smile, she thought, glancing at his face.

To Be Continued.

PRIZE WINNERS AT THE CHATHAM CORN SHOW

Great Variety and Unique Designs Arranged For Exhibition.

(Special to The Advertiser.)

Chatham, Feb. 5.—Several thousand people visited the exhibit of the Ontario Corn Growers' Association in the Twenty-fourth Regiment armories today and all expressed surprise at the variety of the exhibits and the unique designs which had been arranged by the various clubs and individuals.

The judging is progressing well. So far the following awards have been announced:

Ten ears eight-rowed White Flint—W. A. Robertson, Wheatley; Thos. E. Griffith, Chatham.

Ten ears eight-rowed Flint, Yellow or Red—Wm. Blake, Glenwood; J. S. Waugh, Chatham; D. M. Metcalfe & Son, Wheatley.

Ten ears twelve-rowed Flint, any variety—Milton Backus, Chatham; J. B. Rhodes, Chatham; Wm. Blake, Glenwood.

Ten ears Bailey—Alvin Ouellette, Walkerville; J. B. Coatsworth, Kingsville; Russell Rogers, Kingsville; R. W. Knister, Comber; F. A. Smith, Grovesend; J. A. Fletcher, Merlin; John W. Knister, Ruscomb; F. G. Hutchins, Malden; Maurice Hutchins, North Malden.

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SHERMAN ACT INVOKED

Against Associated Press and the Unions in the United States.

(Canadian Press.)

Washington, Feb. 5.—The Sun Printing and Publishing Association of New York has presented a statement to Attorney-General McReynolds, asking that he institute in behalf of the Government proceedings, in respect of the Associated Press for violation of the Sherman act.

The newspaper declined to apply for membership in the Associated Press and claimed the right to buy the news of the organization. The officers of the Associated Press have notified the attorney-general that any information in their possession will be placed at his disposal.

(Canadian Press.)

New York, Feb. 5.—In the complaint made against the Allied Printing Trades Council of New York City and New York State by Doubleday, Page & Co. for alleged discrimination by a combination of labor unions in violation of the Sherman act, witnesses from Philadelphia and Boston appeared before the federal grand jury today. Doubleday, Page & Co. alleged to have been in difficulty with the New York Engravers' Union, made contracts for work with a number of union and non-union concerns in Philadelphia and Boston.

It is alleged that the New York Allied Printing Trades Council, hearing of this, requested the Philadelphia and Boston unions to call a strike in the shops doing the work.

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