







How Ruth Anley Lost and Won.

STORY FOR SCHOOLBOYS AND SCHOOLGIRLS. You see, the one that stayed at the head of the spelling class the most days in the term was to have a prize, really the most elegant Bible you ever saw; or at any rate, I never saw one so handsome but you have lived in the city, and I haven't.

Well, Luena Shaw and I were just every day and that very day was to decide it, because next day was examination. The baby—our baby, I mean—was sick, and I told mother that morning. Luena Shaw's baby was always well, and that was how she got ahead of me in arithmetic; but she said it was because Luena's mother was stronger than she and so didn't need her little girl's help.

That made me sorry I had been crossing and stayed till the last minute, crying him round and round the room, singing to him. I'm glad enough I did, for he didn't live long after that, but I know he was pleased to be carried, because he kept just as quiet as could be; but when the school-bell rang, of course I had to go.

The spelling class came just after the prayer, and I saw Luena's book open under her desk when she bent her head. I didn't like to do that,—as you see I'd never pretend that way; but, if I didn't study, I wasn't like a girl. I was so anxious, and I guess I didn't get any more than Luena, till it came to— "Deliver us from evil."

I thought missing a word would be a dreadful evil, and I knew I did pray. When the class was called, I stood at the head and Luena next. All the chance I'd had to look at my lesson was just a little time till mother came and kissed my good night and took the light away the evening before. I was so sleepy then I could hardly see the words. But I was sure on the first part; and I made up my mind by the number of words we generally had, we were almost through the lesson, when the teacher gave out: "Ryanney."

I couldn't remember I'd ever seen the word, and I couldn't imagine how it was spelled; but as it went on down the class, everybody missed it. I listened to the best spelling, and felt sure it was for the best syllable, and so for the rest.

If there had been one boy below Tom Peters (he's always at the foot, and don't seem to mind it) I should have known whether the last syllable was my or only y. As it was, it came to me without my being sure, I was so frightened. I spelled well enough till it came to the last syllable; then I hesitated a little, long enough I suppose for the teacher to think I'd put in the two 's' but I really didn't put in one. "North."

Just then somebody knocked at the door, and as he started to answer it, he gave out another word. But Luena called out: "Aren't there two 's' in tyranny?" "Yes; and Ruth put in two—didn't you, Ruth?" he asked.

And then he opened the door, for the rap was repeated, and I had to wait while he showed in a visitor. The school desks seemed to swim before my eyes. I knew he would believe me, because he once said I was truthful; and then there was that Bible, with its splendid clasps shining like gold.

Besides, it hadn't been my fault the lesson wasn't learned, and Luena had stood here in prayer time. I don't know how I thought of so much in a short time, but I seemed to see in a flash all the reasons why it wasn't fair that I should lose the prize.

But, just as soon as I thought of prayer time, I remembered the place where I had joined in it, and the evil seemed now to be a lie, and not losing the prize. I couldn't make it that any more. It was as if I had said, "Deliver us from lying," and I thought of mother and what she would say, and how the teacher would look if he found me out.

As soon as he turned toward us again, if you'll believe me, he gave out another word as if nothing had happened. I spoke up loud now.

"No, Sir, I didn't put in but one 's'." He looked puzzled first and then said, "Didn't you?" and looked sorry. If he hadn't looked that way I should not have done it; but when Luena went about me, biting her lips to keep from laughing in my face, I couldn't speak to spell the next word he gave me. He seemed to wait the visitor to hear me spell a hard word because I had fallen.

If I had spoken, I should have burst out crying; and I hate to see a big girl like me do that, so that I went down again. I told mother about it at night, and said I'd lost the prize and another place besides, all from asking to be delivered from evil; for by that time all my whines had come back. But she kissed me and said it was so much in my mind never have enjoyed the most beautiful prize if it could not be honestly mine, and that she would give me a pretty Bible because I had told the truth.

But I thought she never could afford to get me one like that I had lost; and I should have been cross, but that she seemed so worried about the baby. When examination day came, the teacher told us to take our places in the spelling class in alphabetical order. That is, if a girl's name began with A, she should stand first.

Mine did, you see, so I was at the head again; but there was no comfort in that now. When the classes were all in their places, he made a little speech to the visitors for the room was full by that time explaining about the prize. Then he said Luena Shaw had been perfect one more day than I had, and called her up to take the prize. She was dressed beautifully, but I had to wear my old plaid that had faded in the wash, because baby was so sick for mother to finish my new gown. I felt as if everything was against me that day.

Luena made the prettiest bow, and said "Thank you, sir" and came back up the aisle looking so pleased, but I was so good when she came to me, for she looked another way and was sober. When she was seated, the teacher closed his throat and said—well, I

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The Caffres, who have been at war with the Boers, are being driven into caves, where they are blown up with dynamite. Mr. Henry Harding, of Toronto, writes: My little daughter, seven years of age, has been a terrible sufferer this winter from rheumatism, being for weeks confined to her bed, with limbs drawn up, which could not be straightened, and suffering great pain in every joint of limbs, arms, and shoulders. The best of physicians could not help her, and we were advised to try Dr. Thomas' Electric Oil, which we did, and the benefit was at once apparent; after using two bottles the pain left, her limbs assumed their natural shape, and in two weeks she was as well as ever. It has not returned.

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Louis Blanc died at Cannes on Wednesday last week. Mr. T. C. Wells, Chemist and Druggist, Port Colborne, Ont., writes: "Northrop & Lyman's Vegetable Discovery and Dyspeptic Cure sells well, and gives the best of satisfaction for all diseases of the blood." It never fails to root out all diseases from the system, cure Dyspepsia, Liver Complaint, &c., purifies the blood, and will make you look the picture of health and happiness.

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Arahi says he would prefer to live at Damascus or at London. "No, Sir, I didn't put in but one 's'." He looked puzzled first and then said, "Didn't you?" and looked sorry.

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