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THE BELEN NEWS

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The Other Side

"The boys and girls of today are entirely to smart—they know more than their parents," remarked a citizen the other day.

This is not true in some cases, but we fear it is only too true in others.

But is it the fault of the children, or of the parents?

When the parents of today were the children of yesterday they were taught to reverence their parents and respect their elders.

It is so in some cases today, but in many the child is practically turned loose to shift for itself while the parent spends the time in a chase for the pleasures of life.

Even in its infancy the child learns from necessity to depend upon its own resources, and as each day but serves to extend its wordly knowledge it gradually drifts away from the parental authority and assumes a degree of independence and self importance entirely out of proportion to its years.

Notice of Changes in Parcel Post Service.

On and after September 1, 1915, the postmaster at the mailing office may, on payment of one cent, give the sender of an ordinary parcel of fourth class mail a receipt therefor. A postage stamp to cover the charge for the receipt shall be affixed thereto. The name and address of the addressee of the parcel shall be written in the receipt by the sender.

Changes in rates of parcels for the first and second zones under certain conditions.

For delivery within the first zone, five cents for the first pound or fraction of a pound, and one cent for each additional pound or fraction of a pound, except as provided in the next preceding paragraph, (and except where the distance by the shortest regular mail route from the office of origin to the office of delivery is 300 miles or more, in which case the rates of postage shall be six cents for the first pound or fraction of a pound and two cents for each additional pound or fraction of a pound.)

For delivery within the second zone, five cents for the first pound or fraction of a pound, and one cent for each additional pound or fraction of a pound (except where the distance by the shortest regular mail route from the office of origin to the office of

delivery is 300 miles or more, in which case the rates of postage shall be six cents for the first pound or fraction of a pound and two cents for each additional pound or fraction of a pound.

Attention is especially invited to Order No. 9099 of the Postmaster General, dated August 20, 1915, promulgating an amendment to paragraph 2, Section 488, P. L. & R., as follows:

Effective September 1, 1915, paragraph 2, Section 488 of the Postal Laws and Regulations is amended to read as follows:

2. Fourth-class mail shall not be registered, but may be insured against loss in an amount equivalent to its actual value, but not to exceed \$5 in any one case, on payment of a fee of 3 cents; not to exceed \$25 on payment of a fee of 5 cents; not to exceed \$50 on payment of a fee of 10 cents; or not to exceed \$100 on payment of a fee of 25 cents, in addition to the postage, both to be prepaid by stamps affixed; but indemnity will not be allowed in cases of loss of such mail addressed to the Philippine Islands, unless the loss occurred in the postal service of the United States.

This amendment provides that the following indemnity will be paid for loss of insured parcels mailed on after September 1, 1915:

Covered by a 3-cent fee value up to \$5.

Covered by a 5-cent fee value up to \$25.

Covered by a 10-cent fee value up to \$50.

Covered by a 25-cent fee value up to \$100.

We noticed a good way of getting rid of rats the other day, and we hand it to our farmer friends: Collect some tin chips, pieces of shingles, or tin, and pour over them enough molasses to cover them well. Sprinkle dry lye over them and place them in every rat hole you can find. Like the coy maiden, their love for you will soon cool and they will seek other pastures for their depredations.

Every person who pays two dollars for this paper a year gets fifty-two golden opportunities for making and saving money. Every issue contains information that is worth more than two dollars to any subscriber, and often a single issue is the means of accumulating many dollars to the one who reads it. Can you afford to miss a good thing that costs but four cents a week?

Felipe Chaves school began its Seventeenth Annual session September 6th., with Miss Shirley as principal.

AS THE EDITOR SEES IT

How would you like to be compelled to go or send to some other town or city every time you want a paper of pins, or a spool of thread, or a sack of tobacco? I would be a frightful nuisance, wouldn't it? And you wouldn't want to live in such a grave yard town, anyway, would you? And you would feel just like selling your farm or town property and going to some place with a little life, wouldn't you—that is, if you COULD sell, and if anybody else was foolish enough to want to settle down and invest in a "dead hole." Now, do you think it is just a fair proposition—or even to your own interest as a property owner—to make a convenience of the local dealer when you want pins or a smoke, and then send your trade that is worth having away to some galoot who doesn't care whether you live or die just as long as he gets your money? Do you?

Yes, you unquestionably have a right to buy your goods wherever you choose. No one will question that for a moment. And if you have a good horse for sale at a reasonable price your neighbors and friends have an equal right to pass you by and send away for some scrawny scrub that costs just as much and is not half as valuable as yours. Holding the bag is great sport, isn't it? But YOU wouldn't like it, would you?

How much an acre can you get for that farm, or how much can you realize in your house and lot in town? Fair price, eh? Well, just suppose every store in town should be suddenly closed up and moved away, WHAT WOULD YOUR FARM OR TOWN PROPERTY BRING ON THE MARKET THEN? Your own intelligence tells you that the nearer a piece of property is to a live and prosperous town the more valuable that property becomes. Now, just why do you try to kill off the life and prosperity of this town and reduce the value of your own holdings by sending your money out of town for goods you can buy just as cheaply at home? Perhaps you can see some wisdom in such a course, but we can not, and we have viewed the question conscientiously from every angle.

Has it ever occurred to you that no local merchant is foolish enough to advertise that he can meet any legitimate competition unless he is able to do so? If this has not occurred to you before it is not too late to give it consideration now. You will find the live ones of this town advertising in this paper this week, and other weeks, and it is possible they may be able to do even better by you than some of those out of town concerns you have been tying to for so many years.

OUR PUBLIC FORUM

III—Julius Kruttschnitt On Financing Railroads



The farmers of this nation need to become better acquainted with the railroad men and their problems. It is only those who know that can give us information and the farmers of America should listen attentively to what the men who manage railroad property

have to say. Mr. Kruttschnitt, executive head of the Southern Pacific, has written an article dealing with the financing of railroads. He said in part:

"The financing of a railroad is a function which the people, through their servants, the Railroad Commissioners and the Legislators, have never attempted, but it is a most important problem, especially to sections of a State where new railroads are needed. The placing of securities has been left entirely with the promoter and owner of railroads.

"The immediate determination of what earnings the railroad shall be permitted to receive and what burdens it shall have put on it is in the hands of other servants of the public

—the Legislators and the Commissioners.

"Managing a railroad is quite different from managing a government where the money is raised by taxation. When the expenditures, for good reasons or otherwise, increase taxes can be equally increased. The railroads, while servants of the public, cannot raise money with such ease and facility. The railroads must keep their expenditures within their incomes because while they have some control over their expenditures they have almost no control over their incomes, their rates being fixed by public authorities.

"There is no railway manager in the country today who is not fearful that under the pressure of increasing demands the transportation systems of the country will, in a few years, break down, unless the railroads are allowed to earn larger funds wherewith to build it up. There are vast sections of the country, especially in the West, where more railroads are needed and they cannot be built unless the railroads raise new capital.

"People invest money in order to make money, and they are skeptical as to whether they can make money by investing in concerns that are dealt with stringently and unfairly. Railroad securities must be made more attractive to invite investments, and in order that they may be made more attractive, the roads must be allowed earnings that will enable them to meet the increased capital charges."

Who is your choice for president? From the number of candidates springing up we fear there will not be enough voters left to cast a majority.

Did you ever pick up a handful of fine sand and watch it dribble through your fingers? That's the way trade drifts away from the merchant who never advertises.

A rumor is floating around to the effect that the president is to ask congress for \$500,000,000 for the national defense. But the amount is too insignificant for comment.

There was a time when a man in this town spoke well of his neighbors, and his friends, and the church, and society, and the farmers, and of the whole community in general. But he died!

Just thought of it, by gum! We'll have to take a new world census when this dinged war collapses, and there's a chance for you small bored politicians to hunch up to a batch of jobs.

Advertising pays the buyer just as much as it pays the advertiser. It pays both and it pays them handsomely, for it creates greater sales for the dealer and leads the buyer to points where he can trade to best advantage. Hitch right up to the merchant who advertises, and grow with him.

Just flagged an idea. Listen! Let every fellow who wants to run for public office prove his mettle by spending a month in one of our new citizen soldiery training camps. By the time he gets out he will have all of the conceit knocked out of him and will be in a fair way to become a reasonably useful public servant.

The wise man not only looks out for self, but he views matters pertaining to himself from every angle. If to save a penny in one way leads to the loss of a dollar in some other way, then he hangs on to the dollar and lets the penny go. It is so in the purchase of merchandise. You can not discriminate against home institutions and still expect those institutions to thrive and increase the value of your own property. Such a course can result in but one way—in disaster for the community and for yourself.

An advertisement in THE BELEN NEWS pays. Try it.

"Holier Than Thou"

A few years ago an inflamed mob lynched an innocent old negro in Springfield, Ill., on suspicion, but the south refrained from branding the whole northern race as below par.

A few weeks ago a Georgia mob lynched Leo Frank, and the Chicago Tribune immediately jumps to the conclusion and asserts that the southern people are uneducated, unrefined and a bunch of bad eggs generally.

But fortunately the Tribune speaks only for the Tribune, and not for the northern people as a class. The north knows the south as it is—a refined, educated, courteous and generous hearted class of people, who decry the action of the mob as quickly as do the people of the northern states under like conditions.

The south stands shamed by the action of the few of the Leo Frank mob, just as the north stood shamed by the action of the Illinois mob, and by the action of yet another Illinois mob, which sought to lynch a murderer but a few days ago.

We condemn mob law wherever it exists, but we do like to see fair play on the part of the public press.

"Holier Than Thou" editors do more harm than good.

Ha, ha, ha! Ho, ho! This is worse than cruelty to animals! It has been suggested that the governor of each state be requested to name the greatest man in his state, that a portrait of the greatest living Americans may be hung in the hall of fame at the Panama-Pacific exposition.

Now how in heck can the governors name themselves? Oh, gosh! Help the poor devils!

Glad you think this is a good town, brother. Have you told any one else so this week? Once the habit is formed it comes easy and does a lot of good, you know.

Now wouldn't this tickle your spine! There are forty-four geeks in this country who receive incomes of more than a million dollars, each year, and here we are slaving all day and wondering all night when in thunderation you are going to flip us that dollar you owe us on subscription. Gosh!

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for our protection. Address
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PHONE No. 34

Brain Fag and War.

"Modern man is a top heavy
being whose brain is disproportion-
ately superior to his other
organs," says the New York
Medical Journal, and then goes
to prove that the war in Europe
is the result of brain fag. The
Journal believes that the stress
and hard mental work of this age
tended inevitably to the reasser-
tion of the primitive impulses.
Something had to snap, and
when it did the result was the
war. Other nations accuse Amer-
icans of living to fast. But
they do not see they combine
pleasure with work to such a de-
gree that, if we don't let down
on the play, we are apt to remain
normal human beings. For in-
stance, the tired business man
takes a couple of hours from the
office and goes to the ball grounds
where he yells like a Comanche
Indian, howls like a steam siren,
cusses the visiting team and
throws pop-bottles at the umpire.
The women relieve the tension
of modern life by dancing, or
motoring, or strenuous physical
exercise on the golf course or
tennis courts. The use of to-
bacco is man's first aid toward
relief of taut nerves. It is said
that the sudden stoppage of
drugs would result inevitably in
a nation-wide irritability that
would result in a possible social
upheaval. American men work
hard and live fast. It is better
they should find relief in harm-
less amusements and stimulants
than to go on until something
snaps and the result is a war.

Thinking.

Few men really think, altho
each would deny the accusation.
Although a man is supposed to be
a rational thinking animal, think-
ing is actually the hardest work
and the rarest he does. We hear
a thing, ordinarily, and imme-
diately form an opinion about it.
Usually self-interest is at the
bottom of our conclusions. We
are told, for instance, that
woman suffrage is a good thing
and we ought to have a law al-
lowing women to vote. Do we
look into the matter? Do we
study the arguments for and
against woman's suffrage? It is
the same with the tariff, probi-
tion, the unions, the Mexican
situation, the European war, in
fact everything we have any-
thing to do with. How much
more rational it would be to hold
our judgment on a question
until we have had an opportu-

ity to study it from every angle.
Then form an opinion and stand
or fall by that opinion, until we
learn something of which we
have been in ignorance that
might change our minds on the
subject. Not to be open convic-
tion is pig-headed. Narrowness
is the bane of our whole system
of civilization. Let your mind
be open to every argument, and
think—think for yourself.

Has it been summer, or winter?

A good wife is three-fourths
of any man.

Eat, drink and be merry—but
be merry anyway.

When the war is over let us
hope it will be over.

Another week older, but we
look just about the same.

Grow up with your town and
help the town to grow with you.

Our own little dove of peace
appears to be perking up of late.

Wilhelm is still kaiser, George
is still king, and the war is still
hell.

Bragging is always excusable
when you brag of your home
town.

False alarm! Don't have to
fight Germany with pop guns
after all.

No man is ever so wise but
what he can learn something
from his neighbor.

A kind word is easy to say,
easier to remember, and a gold
compared to dross.

Your neighbors spoke well of
you the other day. But what
did you say of them?

The wise man is modest, says
little, and knows much. The
fool—is only a fool.

The fellow who thinks only
of self makes a poor subject for
the thoughts of others.

When you recognize your
neighbor's good qualities he is
more likely to see your own.

If some men could see them-
selves as others see them there
would be mighty little for them
to see.

If patience is a virtue the
president must be a crotchety
old maid every time he thinks
of Mexico.

Have you an American flag?
Look at it occasionally, and you
will become a more loyal citizen
by so doing.

No, brother, we never ques-
tioned your intelligence. You
read this paper, and that speaks
in terms of its own.

If it is "more blessed to give
than to receive," the editor of
this paper has a lead pipe cinch
on a downy couch in paradise.
That dollar you owe us, please!

"The United States must feed
the world," says a Washington
dispatch. Good enough, but
let's collect in advance.

Advertise the fact that this is
a good town to live in. You
are benefiting both the town
and yourself when you do.

Having tired of their own ter-
ritory, Mexicans are now com-
ing over to our side of the Rio
Grande to do their fighting.

This country is producing
over a billion bushels of wheat
this year, and we would like to
have our share right now.

Who is your choice for presi-
dent? From the number of
candidates springing up we fear
there will not be enough voters
left to cast a majority.

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**RESTORATION TO ENTRY OF
LANDS IN NATIONAL FOR-
EST.**
Notice is hereby given that the
lands described below, embracing
100.10 acres, within the Manzano
National Forest, New Mexico, will
be subject to settlement and en-
try under the provisions of the
homestead laws of the United
States and the act of June 11,
1906 (34 Stat., 233), at the United
States land office at Santa Fe,
New Mexico, on October 30, 1915.
Any settler who was actually and
in good faith claiming any of said
lands for agricultural purposes
prior to January 1, 1906, and has
not abandoned same, has a pre-
ference right to make a homestead
entry for the lands actually oc-
cupied. Said lands were listed
upon the applications of the per-
sons mentioned below, who have
a preference right subject to the
prior right of any such settler,
provided such settler or applicant
is qualified to make homestead
entry and the preference right is
exercised prior to October 30,
1915, on which date the lands
will be subject to settlement and
entry by any qualified person.
The lands are as follows: The
N1-2 N1-2 NW1-4, the N1-2 NW1-4
NE1-4, the W1-2 NW1-4 NE1-4
NE1-4, the N1-2 S1-2 NW1-4
NE1-4, the NW1-4 SW1-4 NE1-4
NE1-4, the S1-2 SW1-4 NW1-4
NE1-4, the SW1-4 SE1-4 NW1-4
NE1-4, the NW1-4 SW1-4 NE1-4,
the W1-2 NE1-4 SW1-4 NE1-4,
the N1-2 SW1-4 SW1-4 NE1-4,
the NW1-4 SE1-4 SW1-4 NE1-4,
Sec. 25, T. 11 N., R. 12 W., N. M.
P. M., except a strip of land one
chain wide off the north side of
the tract, also a strip of land one
chain wide described as follows:
Beginning at a point on the first
excepted strip from which the
northwest corner of Sec. 25 T. 11
N., R. 12 W., bears W. 20 chs.
and N. 1 ch.; extending thence
50 links on each side of a line run-
ning S. 9 chs., to the place where
the end of the strip closes with
the boundary of the tract, the
net area being 100.10 acres, ap-
plication of Elizabeth K. Stevens,
Bluewater, New Mexico; List 3-
3513. August 18, 1915, Dr. Par-
rard, Acting Assistant Commis-
sioner of the General Land Office.

Very Serious
It is a very serious matter to ask
for one medicine and have the
wrong one given you. For this
reason we urge you in buying to
be careful to get the genuine—
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Northbound.		
	Ar.	Dep.
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Chgo. Express	5:45	5:45
816 Kans. City and	p m	p m
Chgo. Pasgr.	5:00	5:32
Southbound		
	p.m.	p.m.
809 Mexico Express	11:30	11:59
	a m	a m
815 El Paso Pasgr.	10:55	10:55
Eastbound		
	p m	p m
22 Chgo. & Texas	p m	p m
Flyr	11:45	11:55
Westbound		
	5:05	5:30
21 The Missionary	5:05	5:30
C. F. Jones, Agent.		

Nervous?
Mrs. Walter Vincent,
of Pleasant Hill, N. C.,
writes: "For three sum-
mers, I suffered from
nervousness, dreadful
pains in my back and
sides, and weak sinking
spells. Three bottles of
Cardui, the woman's
tonic, relieved me entire-
ly. I feel like another
person, now."
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Cardui
The Woman's Tonic
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necessary pains and
building weak women up
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It will do the same for
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terprises, and all other legitimate
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Temperatures
The Santa Fe is the most comfortable summer route to Cali-
fornia. All roads cross the western desert country, but the
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dust and smoke is prevented by oil-sprinkled road-bed and
oil-burning engines. Sleepers and chair cars on through
California trains are equipped with patent ventilators.
Two Fairs
for
One Fare
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All
the way
C. F. JONES, Agent

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Belen, N. M.

task of going over his affairs once more.

An hour later he gathered his papers together and thrust them away. He opened a private drawer and pulled out a revolver. Quietly he inserted a cartridge in one chamber and raised the weapon to his forehead.

Daisy Dean looked up to see Robert standing in the doorway. He hesitated, and came forward impetuously. He knelt beside her and took her hands in his.

The girl, overcome by the first token of sympathy she had received, burst into unrestrained sobbing. Robert drew her head down on his shoulder.

"It is not true, Daisy," he cried. "Dear, you know how long I have loved you. Be my wife and let us give the lie to the world."

Before he left Daisy had promised to become his wife.

As Robert was leaving her, elated with happiness, Wright was raising the revolver to his forehead.

And he, too, suddenly became aware that someone was standing in the doorway. It was his mother. She had seen the newspapers, had hurried to his apartment, and then, instinctively guessing where he had gone, had hastened to the office.

She saw him seated at the desk and knew that a minute later would have been too late. She ran to him with a cry. The weapon dropped from his hand and rolled under the desk.

"Will, my dear boy!" she sobbed. "Come home with me now. You must not think of that. Remember that you are my boy through everything—and who has ever cared for you as much as I?"

He rose from his desk and put his arms about her.

"You are right, mother," he said; and they went out of the office together.

CHAPTER IV.

"Daisy, dear, I wronged you." "But that is all forgotten now, Susan."

Miss Susan had come to stay with her sister-in-law at the seaside resort during her brother's absence on business. Robert's marriage had been ideally happy, and the lonely old maid had welcomed the opportunity to be reconciled to her sister-in-law and meet her little nephew.

Nothing had been heard of either Mr. Wright or Austin since Daisy's marriage. Only the girl knew her former lover's regret, and the wild, incoherent letter that Austin had written her on the day before her wedding. Daisy had put the letter and Austin's photograph away. She had meant to destroy them; but in her new happiness she would not even reopen her bitter memories by recalling their existence.

Strolling along the sea front, the two women, completely reconciled, laughed and chatted with never a thought of the past. Suddenly Daisy gave a little gasp. Approaching them came Austin and a girl. To turn back was impossible. Susan saw the look on Daisy's face, and her heart suddenly hardened.

But Austin, taking off his hat, shook hands cordially with both and introduced his fiancée. They, too, were spending their vacation at Seabury. Before they parted Austin had suggested that many pleasant hours might be spent together. There was nothing in his manner to indicate that he remembered that foolish and impetuous letter.

Daisy, alone in her room, opened her trunk and took out the letter and photograph. How weak she had been, when their discovery might have prejudiced her own and Robert's happiness! She struck a match and lit them, watching till the flames had eaten almost across both of them. She flung the debris into her wastebasket and went down. She knew that the past had been obliterated by that act as fully as in Austin's own mind.

Days passed. Robert's return was expected on the Friday. On Thursday evening Austin, who, with his sweetheart, had been a frequent visitor, suggested a motor party.

"You must go, Daisy, dear," said Susan.

"But you'll come, too?"

"No, I have a headache. I think I shall go to bed."

"Then I shall stay and take care of you."

"No, Daisy, dear. Robert would never forgive me if I let you wait on me. Go and enjoy yourself with the party."

Daisy at last yielded. Carrying the little boy in her arms she stepped into the car. The merry voices died away in the distance. Susan returned to her room and sat down with compressed lips and frowning brows.

"I gave her her chance," she said, in self-condonation. "Now let Robert know her for what she is tomorrow."

And she began pacing the room, while the hours passed. It was eleven, it was twelve; the party had not returned. At one o'clock a step sounded outside. Susan opened the door, to confront Robert, wild-eyed and haggard.

"Where is she?" he cried fiercely. "Gone motoring with Austin," answered Susan. "Well, Robert, perhaps you believe my warning now."

"It was his writing," groaned Robert, sinking down into a chair. From his pocket he extracted his sister's letter. Inside the folded sheet was the scrap of burned paper that Susan had taken from the wastebasket, containing the words:

"I have never ceased to love you, Austin."

Robert sat in the chair in silence.

It was two now—it was three in the morning. It began to grow light. It was daylight when the sound of the automobile was heard. It stopped before the house and Austin conducted Daisy up to the door.

Robert stood on the threshold, facing them.

Daisy sprang toward him, and recoiled from the look on his face.

"You did not expect me till tomorrow," he said grimly.

"Robert, dear, there was an accident—"

"Where are the rest?"

"We saw them home by eleven and were on the way back when the accident—"

"I'll talk to you, Clark," said Robert. "What have you to say, you thief, you—"

"Listen, Robert; you are mistaken. The car broke down, and—"

"You lie! You planned this, thinking I would not be home. I have your letter to my wife, you cur!"

"Whatever you have to say can be said when we are alone, not in front of your wife."

Daisy stared, horror-stricken, at the pair. Had Robert no reason left. She ran to him again, she tried to speak. She clasped her arms about him. He flung her, staggering, away.

"I'm ready to meet you when and where you will, but I will not help you to humiliate your wife," cried Austin. "Meanwhile I'll take the car back to the garage."

"I'll be ready for you when you return," cried Robert wildly.

Daisy saw Austin driving away. She shrank from her husband in increasing fear, clutching the crying child. Would he never believe? He was pacing the porch like a madman, oblivious of her presence. She tried to enter the house. The door had been locked by Susan, ensconced grimly behind the curtains, her thin lips, drooping at the corners, set in a sardonic smile.

Presently the sound of footsteps was heard. It was Austin returning. At the sight of him Robert seemed to stiffen into a statue.

Austin came toward them.

"See here," he began more easily. "If you'll only let me explain. It was an—"

With an inarticulate cry Robert pulled a revolver from his pocket and fired. Austin staggered and dropped. The ball had pierced his heart.

For an instant Daisy stared speechlessly at the murderer; the next she snatched up the child and ran wildly along the road into the marshes.

She ran, gasping and sobbing, till she had left the village far behind her. And day came up, lurid and scorching, and the sun beat down on her. She ran till she could go no farther. The child, which had ceased to cry, had become a dead weight in her arms.

At last, looking about her, she saw only the marsh and forest, and, far in the distance, a little blur against the sea. Seabury.

And she realized that all this had been prepared for her, and that it was part of the same evil thing which had entered her life that afternoon when she renched her foot in the elevator. Not a thing remained now—except death.

She sank down, by the roadside. Vaguely she was aware that the leafy curtain of trees across the way concealed a little cottage. The presence of humanity impelled her once more to rise. She would go down to the sea and end her two lives there, far from all eyes. She rose.

A man was coming out of the cottage. He was approaching her. He stood before her and placed his hands on her shoulders. She looked into the face of William Wright.

At a glance he understood that the same Nemesis had followed her. There was no need for questioning. He had seen Austin pass in his motor car the day before, and he had read Daisy's and Robert's names among those of the newly arrived.

"Come with me. My mother is waiting to welcome you," he said.

He led her into the cottage.

CHAPTER V.

"See that funeral?" asked Cadman Green at the club window. "That's Minturn's mother, the murderer's, you know. He killed young Clark when he came home and found he and his wife had been out all night together. Acquit him? Sure, any jury would acquit him. Wouldn't you? But the old woman's heart was weak, and it killed her."

"Say, don't you remember that day we saw Wright joy-riding with his stenographer and I prophesied trouble? And didn't it follow? Wright a bankrupt fugitive, stenographer bad as ever, and, after ruining one man, causes her husband to shoot her lover? They tell me her own mother wired her not to go home. If her husband was through with her, she guessed the disgrace was enough for her, too."

"And, say, do you know what I heard. She's living with Wright outside the jurisdiction of the state. You see, they got together again, and, mark my words, she'll cause his death too. A woman like that can't help going through life like wildfire. Simmonds! She was bad from birth, and it's a pity she ever lived through childhood. Decent enough family, too, I've heard. And to think I once lived in the same apartment house with the Wrights! By the way, I heard his wife's married again. Good riddance of him, I say."

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The Rev. Dr. L. B. Wolf, of Baltimore, Md., for thirty years a Missionary and teacher in Guntoor, India, and now general secretary of Torreon missions, will preach in the Lutheran Church this Sunday morning. Dr. Wolf is returning from a trip to California, where he has been visiting the Churches, and will spend several days in Belen before Sunday. This is an opportunity that seldom comes to us to hear a scholarly gentleman, who is thoroughly familiar with conditions in the far East.

In the evening, at 8 o'clock, Dr. Ziegler will give the second address in the series on "A Twice-Born Man".
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