

Where Woman's Time Goes.
Please state to the court exactly what you did between 8 and 9 o'clock on Wednesday morning," said a lawyer to a delicate-looking woman on the witness stand.

"Well," she said, after a moment's reflection, "I washed my two children and got them ready for school and sewed a button on Johnny's coat, and mended a rent in Nellie's dress. Then I tidied up my sitting room and made two beds and watered my house plants, and glanced over the morning paper. Then I dusted my parlor and set things to rights in it, and washed some lamp chimneys and combed my baby's hair, and sewed a button on one of her little shoes, and then I swept out my front entry and brushed and put away the children's Sunday clothes, and wrote a note to Jimmy's teacher asking her to excuse him for not being at school on Friday. Then I fed my canary bird and gave the grocery man an order, and swept off the back porch, and then I sat down and rested a few minutes before the clock struck 9. That's all."

"All!" said the dazed lawyer. "Excuse me, Judge; I must get my breath before I call the next witness."

HEEDLESS WOMEN.

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The Towns Were Rivals.

"Interested in a trolley company?" asked a stranger in a little interior town of a man who had been expatiating upon its merits.

"Not a cent's worth," replied the advocate of the overhead wire.

"Live here?" asked the stranger next.

"On your life, I wouldn't live here if you would give me the whole town."

"But you're working mighty hard for something. What is it?"

The trolley advocate looked around to see that no one was in hearing distance, and then drew the stranger up in the shadow of a building.

"I'll tell you how it is; you'll keep mum," he said.

The stranger promised.

"I'm employed by a rival town to get the trolley here. The other town has been trying for three years to get the lead in population, and has made up its mind that the only hope is in killing off some of the people here. That's why I'm trying to introduce the trolley," See?—Chicago Post.

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On one occasion she rode 250 miles in five days, and wore out the men who accompanied her. At another time she



CHAPTER I.

A steep gray wall of limestone, polished like marble in some parts by the wash of the waves; a smooth pavement of sand forming the floor of the irregular horseshoe of the bay; to the north a jutting, rocky headland, weed-draped and wild; to the south a caverned cliff, scooped into fantastic grottoes by the impact of many thousand tides; in front a dark blue line, where the summer sea seemed to lie asleep. Such was the scene.

It was a pretty spot enough. The Norsemen who had drawn up their pirate galley there of old had called the place Odin's Horseshoe. It lay convenient for the purpose of their forays, since there was a gentle slope at one point, leading to a cleft in the towering cliff wall, up which a broad path, almost a road, gave easy access to the fertile country inland.

Just above high-water mark, seated on a fragment of rock, reading, was a young woman, nearly attired, an empty child's carriage beside her, and a child's form discernible at some little distance, playing among the loose sand-heaps and shallow pools haunted by tiny crabs and starfish left behind by the ebb-tide, that lay between her and the black promontory that stretched grimly out to seaward.

The novel which the girl was reading was to all appearance a deeply interesting one, since she seldom found time to throw a hasty glance at her charge, now straying and playing afar off among the pools and the rocks, while as regarded the signs of the weather she was utterly blind and heedless. The day was fine. Yet the wind had freshened. There was a darkling line to seaward; that, to experienced eyes, boded mischief.

But sometimes such warnings are thrown away. The wind gained strength, so did the tide. The cloud-bank crept stealthily on. Hoarser and louder grew the noise of the waves; the great sea was coming in with swifter, longer strokes than were common. Little of all this

alarmed the girl, too much absorbed in the sorrows of an imaginary heroine to heed the anger of the coming storm. Higher and higher, like a wrathful snake uncoiled, rose the foamy crests of each pelvis. Louder grew the moan of the breeze, hoarser the sullen splash of the breakers. Yet she read on complacently.

Further and further yet, the tiny figure had strayed away from the side of the careless attendant. Still unobserved, unnoticed, the richly-dressed child strayed on, nearer, ever nearer to the tumultuous sea. The distance rapidly lessened. The tide came on, swift and strong, like an attacking army flushed with success.

At last the girl who had been reading so long upon the solitary shore lifted her head, and let the book she had been holding drop upon her knee. What had scared her was a sound, terrible and sudden almost as the trumpet-call of an avenging angel. The noise came from the right hand, where the cliffs approached most closely to the sea. Those who have heard the tide break into St. Goustan's Cave seldom forget the hoarse, hollow roar with which, through fissure and cranny high above, the tortured air is forced out of the grotto by the rush of hurrying water. The waves had reached it now, and hence the terror and confused medley of sound, if of human voices crying aloud in due extremity of terror or pain.

"Peace all," said the captain of the gang, stalking slowly to the highest part of the ridge, shaded his keen eyes and took a long survey of the sand-strewn and narrow and difficult path that led zigzag fashion up to the cliff. No signs of human presence could be detected anywhere.

Nothing could be more utterly pitiful than the child seemed to be. Yet he showed no sign of fear. High above him stood the towering form of the captain of the jet hunters, looking down with unshaken softness in his dark eyes, at the little intruder on his bivouac. Unusually soft, too, was Obadiah Jedson's deep voice as he said gently, "Young master—my dear—will you come with me—away out of the rain?"

The child looked up doubtfully, and for a moment seemed about to cry. But Obadiah, gaunt and wild to look upon, had yet one of those faces that children instinctively confide in, so the boy clasped his tiny white fingers around the bony brown hand and permitted himself to be led unwillingly to the neighborhood of the fire, where all the members of the band gathered round him in a ring.

"Belongs to gentlefolks if ever a bairn did," "More like a laddie, wif," his fine clothes, an' those fearless eyes of his, like th' child's?"

"But you're working mighty hard for something. What is it?"

The girl was not brave beyond the average of her sex and her class, but now her nerves were strung to an unusual tension, and she pressed on where many a stout-hearted man would have quailed. Being lay safety; in front was the terrible sea. On she went.

There were tiny footstep ever and anon, as a guide, straying, wandering, deviating, but always treading toward the bleak, storm-wracked headland that jutted forth to sea. There, in front, was the promontory, like a great black wall, shutting out all view of the coast toward the north—hard to be climbed by a bold and strong man; inaccessible, no doubt, to a woman or a child. A giant now could not have rounded the point. But there had been a tongue of dry sand long ago visible beyond the black stones, and even the tottering steps of heedless infancy might then have achieved what was beyond the compass of earthly strength and daring.

All unconscious of the imminence of danger, the seeker pressed on. There was something touching in the girl's utter abnegation of fear, as with the splashing water bathing her feet, and the shrill cry of the wild sea-nymphs ringing in her ears, she tracked the little footprints of her lost charge. She was knee-deep in the rushing water, and she was torn away from her foot-hold, a great wave came rolling in, and she was helpless as a dead leaf upon a river's current, into the foamy reflux of the rush-covered side of the sand-hill asleep, while a council was held to deliberate about his fate.

Many and wild were the guesses that were hazarded as to the manner in which this little waif of the Yorkshire sea beach had come to be in the neighborhood of the bivouac. Shipwreck was more than once suggested; but this was laughed to scorn.

"The boy hadn't a wet thread upon him," said one of the most experienced of the gang. "No; no; there's been guile there."

"Guile!" echoed the woman, horrified, but with a pleasant sort of horror. "What sort of guile, when it's about a lad born like this, Measter Saunders?"

Measter Saunders, who was esteemed among the hunters of the oracles, nodded his head solemnly. "There's cheater's more sort of guile," was his mysterious verdict; "and it's the first time bairns have got smothered in Tumors of London; but yet young innocents that stood between somebody and broad lands and gold

gutness been put out o' the way like this, comrades."

After this oracular remark the sleeping child was eyed, especially by the women, with even more of wondering interest and of respectful curiosity than before. But still no progress was made toward solving the knotty point of his immediate disposal. At last Obadiah Jedson knocked out the ashes of his pipe, rose to his feet, and stretched out his lengthy arm, with much the air and bearing of some grim, preaching corporal of Cromwell's scarlet-coated cuirassiers.

"Lads and lasses," commenced the captain, "many's the time and oft that it has been borne in upon me to chide the speaker of idle words concerning the thing that ye, in your simplicity, call luck; and mainly when, in your good will toward your old leader, you linked it with me of me—of me! as if a poor, miserable, blind worm, that is less than the least, had power to bind or hurt, or could indeed good seasons and bad seasons report."

"Obadiah, you think that when what you call luck, and what the Romans of old knew by the name of the Diva Fortuna, known at the door, it bodes ill for those who linger to lift the latch and fling open the house to the guest. We will take this child with us; he shall eat of our bread and drink of our cup; and so, with heaven's help, shall never the meal of meat nor the horn of ale fail us. Here's my niece, Kezia, that's a widow, as you know, and has bad halbs of her own, and knows the ways of children; to care for the lost little one when these hands are busy with pick and shovel; and in the long winter evenings I can teach him a bit of the bookcraft that helps a lad far on the up-hill road of life. So now, mates, get ready, and northward ho!"

They set forth on their northward march, climbing in Indian file the steep and difficult path which ascended the cliff, with the sureness of foot which practice affords. Obadiah, their captain, brought up the rear, heedfully carrying the boy in his huge arms, half sheltered from the rain by the loose jacket of coarse blue Guernsey cloth that the jet hunter wore. Little Don was still slumbering. Once he had awakened from his sleep, but seeing Obadiah looking smilily down upon him, he had yielded again to lassitude, and was soon trustfully unconscious whether his new and strange protector was bearing him along the storm-lashed shore.

(To be continued.)

Absorbed.

The bibliophile's passion for rare books has always been a fruitful theme for the humorist, but the engrossing charms of the chase were never more amusingly set forth than in the following anecdote of the Rev. Mr. Brand, one of the most noted book-hunters in England.

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"Why not?"

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