THE GIRL AND THE GAME

A Story of Mountain Railroad Life

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SYNOPSIS.

FOURTH INSTALLMENT

CHAPTER IV.

When Helen Holmes took the day key at Signal the little office had already passed from the quiet kind to the remorselessly active kind of those small way stations that drive innocent men mad. Two rival lines maintaining large construction camps and getting all their supplies through Signal station, were engaged in a race to build a mountain cut-off—and a considerable one. Despite all the help Lyons, the overworked agent, could give Helen, she found the tasks of her day about all that her strength would...

...his friend, the executive committee of the board were with him—this he felt assured of. But somewhere influences must be at work against him. He suspected Capelle, still a board member, and a continual intriguer. Capelle was a master worker in underground effects and besides being Seagrue's own attorney, was himself heavily interested in opposing enterprises of the Coast line. To throttle Rhinelander in the construction effort began by Helen's own father before his death, was to advance his own interests as well as those of his client. Rhinelander's decision as to what must be done to meet this opposition was prompt.

He consulted a timetable, called his foreman, asked for a man to carry his handbags to the station and began changing his clothes for a trip.

Not far away, and at about the same time, Seagrue was reading his own mail. It contained this note:

"Unsuccessful report concerning pass submitted. Persuaded backers to withdraw support on the first. This will stop operation on Rhinelander's cutoff, as we know he cannot produce survey. CAPELLE."

In Seagrue's hut a party of newspaper men from Oceanside were waiting to be taken on an inspection trip over the construction.

"I'm ready for you, boys," said Seagrue, in high spirits to the journalists. "We'll look over the work near here first," he announced, ripping open a...

...possible it seemed to devise any scheme that could be carried out in time to help Rhinelander's fight that night at Oceanside.

But what Helen could not devise herself, was being already devised for her. Following up what Spike—an unconscionable liar—had declared a flattering reception of the picture, Seagrue resolved to seize a moment while the going was good to forward himself with Helen.

She was studying the telltale print when she heard footsteps and, startled, looked out. Seagrue was coming up the platform. She felt frightened. Could he possibly have realized his blunder and come to demand the return of the picture? She was resolved she would not surrender it in any event. Force, she was hopeless of as a possible aid in her difficulty. Stratagem and a woman's weapons alone remained to her.

Her wits rapidly cleared. She snatched the photograph. Seagrue, opening the door, caught her, picture in hand. He walked forward pleased. It was not hard for Helen to counterfeit an embarrassment, nor was it in the least unbecoming to her. To Seagrue her look came like a burst of sunshine after many chilling storms. "What do you think of my construction headquarters?" he laughed.

Helen's gaze rested modestly on her table. She seemed to contemplate the picture with a quiet pleasure. Then she looked slowly up at Seagrue. "This doesn't show very much of the camp"—she drawled the words the very least bit—"you are awfully busy over there, I suppose."

"Never too busy to welcome our friends. Come over sometime."

"What, to a construction camp?" asked Helen, feigning just enough amazement.

"Why not? Talk about Rhinelander's steam shovels! I'll show you shovels that can do everything but vote. Come on along."

For an effective moment she hesitated. "I couldn't possibly," she declared with decision, but she allowed a note of regret to linger an instant...

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CONTROL DISEASES OF SWEET POTATOES

Sweet Potato Plant, Showing Characteristic Symptoms of Stem Rot.

Section Through a Sweet Potato, Showing the Blackened Ring Just Below the Surface Caused by Stem Rot Fungus.

Many Places to Cure Seed Corn Properly.

WORKING WITH POTATO CROP

FUNGUS DISEASE OF TOMATO

GRAIN FOR FATTENING SHEEP

ITEMS FROM EVERYWHERE

DOG WISER THAN MOTORIST

ANOTHER WHEEL CHAIR ADDED TO VAR-NE-SIS COLLECTION

Marlboro Woman Claims Remedy Removed Rheumatism, Enabled Her to Walk Without Assistance

Another wheel chair was added last week to the Var-ne-sis collection of crutches, canes, shoes, wheel chairs, photographs, letters, etc., by Mrs. Diantha L. Coyle of 287 Pleasant st., Marlboro, Mass. On being asked for a statement Mrs. Coyle said:

"I have had rheumatism for three years, and many people here in Marlboro know the condition I was in. My hands were sore and stiff and my fingers were almost rigid. I was unable to cut my food and had great difficulty in raising my hands to my head, as my shoulders were stiff and exceedingly painful. My hips were involved and my knees were in such condition that I had to use the wheel chair.

"At times I would get up at 1 or 2 o'clock in the morning on account of the pain, which was extreme when in one position any length of time. I would then stay in the wheel chair until daylight. I was sore from head to foot and thought I would go insane. Nothing seemed to relieve me in spite of treatment of physicians and remedies recommended. I was refused admittance to a sanitarium because they thought it required three nurses to take care of me.

"Hearing so much about Var-ne-sis I decided to try it, with the result that by persisting in the treatment I am now able to go about without assistance, and the wheel chair I used has been added to the Var-ne-sis collection."

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First Tourist—Try my dodge. Light your pipe, and blow a cloud under the clothes! They let go directly. There's a lot perched on the footbar of my bed now—coughing like mad!

Keep Away.

"Wot kind of a town is Hicksburg?" asked the first occupant of the box car.

"Don't you never go there, Budy," said the other. "The sheriff is a bug on gardenin', an' about this time o' the year he makes all the prisoners git out an' spade up his back yard."

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"They couldn't," was the reply.

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For more than twenty years I have been successfully selling Dr. Kilmer's Swamp-Root to my customers who were in need of such a medicine and they all speak in the highest terms of the good results obtained from its use. I know it is a good medicine for kidney, liver and bladder troubles and I never hesitate in recommending it to...

Carthage Mothers Find New Way To Keep Boys Free From Colds

THINGS WENT WRONG

Miss Edith took the keen interest in things and people—particularly people—that young ladies of eighteen often do. So that accounted for her going down into the basement where Thomas Watts was clearing away the ashes from the furnace and making his acquaintance.

Thomas was a sort of odd-job man, of English birth, almost elderly and of a squat figure. He had made his appearance on the street early in the summer with a little push-cart, a sickle and a rake and he trimmed the lawns (which are not large) on the street for a minimum consideration of fifteen cents. With the approach of winter he asked such of his patrons as had furnaces to allow him to tend them—shake down and feed in the morning, feed and bank at night, seventy-five cents per week, and ashes removed an extra twenty-five cents. Miss Edith's papa engaged him for the full program and Miss Edith at the first sound of shoveling went down and interviewed him.

She asked him a [illegible] of questions. He did "fair [illegible] iddlin', as you might say," with his furnaces.

"No, miss, I ain't married, o' course," he said in response to the next question. "Not as yet. I 'ope to be, but I'm not well enough orf. Hi've got a lydy back in the hold country as I walked hout with, but she ses to me, she ses: 'Thomas, w'en I marry Hi'm goin' to stop takin' in manglin'. Hi'm goin' to 'ave a 'ouse o' me hown an' a 'usban' as 'as got 'is bit o' money in the bank.' So I come hover 'ere, but some'ow I never seem to 'ave no luck."

For some weeks the family heard little else from Miss Edith than accounts of Watts and his touching romance. "Her name is Sarah Jane 'Iggins and she 'as carroty 'air,'" said Miss Edith. "Isn't it perfectly lovely? And they have been engaged now for more than seven years—as long as Jacob worked for what's-her-name."

She did help him according to her poor little means.

"Thankee kindly, miss," he would say, as he pocketed her donations. "It shows your feeling 'art an' hevery little 'elps, as the sayin' is. Hi'm a-goin' to tell Sarah Jane about this."

"Don't mind about that, Thomas," said Miss Edith. "But you might give her my love and tell her that I think you are—a—a nice man and that she ought not to insist upon a house of her own if you could take her to a nice little flat."

"No fear, miss. Hi'll tell 'er that," said Thomas.

One day a very rich man came to Miss Edith's house. He was so rich that he owned an entire flat building all by himself. Miss Edith told him about Thomas in her enthusiastic way and he seemed interested and when she had finished he said: "Well, my janitor is going to leave me at the end of the week and I wouldn't wonder if this friend of yours suited me very well, my dear. He would have a nice cozy little set of rooms in the basement, big enough for Sarah Jane and him, and he ought to save enough out of his wages to put a bit in the bank. Send him around to see me."

Of course, when Thomas became the janitor of the Arethusa he could not attend to Edith's father's furnace any more and Miss Edith had to go to see him about Sarah Jane. For some time Thomas talked to her very freely, but he said that he would have to wait and put by a bit o' money before he sent for his sweetheart. Then as time passed it seemed to Miss Edith that Thomas rather avoided her. He was evasive in his replies when she did see him. She taxed him with his unfriendliness and he protested fervently that...

IMPORTANCE OF PRUNING FRUIT TREES

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THE KITCHEN CABINET

A FEW DESSERTS.

GOOD THINGS FOR THE TABLE.

Nellie Maxwell

How to avoid Operations

These Three Women Tell How They Escaped the Dreadful Ordeal of Surgical Operations.

Hospitals are great and necessary institutions, but they should be the last resort for women who suffer with ills peculiar to their sex. Many letters on file in the Pinkham Laboratory at Lynn, Mass., prove that a great number of women after they have been recommended to submit to an operation have been made well by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. Here are three such letters. All sick women should read them.

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