She Had the Habit

"I'm dreadfully worried," said the girl in the white serge suit to her friend on the opposite side of the little table. "I don't know whether I can explain it to you, because it is kind of involved."

"I'll have to go back to the time when I was fourteen and Willie had just looked upon my horizon. I thought he was the handsomest boy the beneficent powers above had ever permitted to glorify the earth. Effie Snow, who was in love wtih the boy who delivered groceries, and I used to quarrel for hours at a time, each trying to convince the other of the superior attractions of her beloved.

"I remember pointing out to Effie the glorious sweep of Willie's raven hair above his noble brow and the falcon fire of his flashing black eye.

"I said it showed that he was a hero destined to do noble deeds and that she was a horrid thing to say he was homely. It was just because she was jealous.

"Years later I came across a picture of a Sunday school picnic with Willie in the front row and I took a good look at him. He was a boy who was exaggerated at all points. His bristly hair stood straight up like a shoe brush nd he had pop eyes. He just queer looking and it seems to me that I have heard rumors from some one that he is running a livery stable in his home town.

"Well, when I was seventeen my heart belonged to Richard. I thought that of all the grand men on earth he was the grandest and used to sit at my window at night when I should have been getting my beauty sleep and look at the moon and dream of him.

"'Noble' was the adjective I applied to Richard. I meditated upon his serene brow, his poetic face and his wonderful profile. I likened it to a cameo and sighed to think that all the men fn the world could not be like him and so redeem it from its prosaic ugliness. I said that just to look at him one would know he was filled with splendid aspirations and was far, far above sordid thoughts of gain that made most men selfish and grasping. I rember mother sighing at the time and murmuring that sordid gain was a mighty nice thing to have around when the grocery and milk bills came due.

"I saw Richard not long ago, and of all the lank, slipshod, weak faced, no account creatures he is the worst! I think he sells woodenware and takes his meals at a fifteen-cent restaurant. There wasn't a single, solitary thing about him to admire or look up to—and how I had raved about him once!"

"When I was eighteen I thought the sun rose and set in Mr. Judkins, who was a friend of father's and a bachelor. I said his face showed that he had fought with the world and had been a victor in his battles and the marks of his struggles only added to the strength of his countenance. I said that after knowing him the younger men bored me with their greenness and inexperience and that it was such a comfort to be able to rest on Mr. Judkins' superior judgment and know whatever he said was right.

"My family were terribly wrought up about the matter and father used regularly to explode when I spoke of Mr. Judkins' wisdom and stability. Mother would dissolve into tears and beg me not to ruin my life by marrying an old man. Well, that's five years ago—and today Mr. Judkins looks to me like a fat, weatherbeaten, elderly man and if there was a law compelling me to marry him I'd never obey the law if they put me into prison for life.

"There were several after Mr. Judkins. And every one at the time I considered the best looking man on earth. The attractive features I could dig up in those men would have been sufficient to make a perpetual beauty show of the masculine population of this big town we live in.

"And after we had our falling out every time I blinked my eyes and took another look I saw their thin hair and watery eyes, their crooked noses and awful ears.

"It never failed.

"Now what is worrying me—" the girl in white serge made marks on the doilies with her spoon, "is whether—

"You see, of course, I don't mean there is anything serious between Harry and myself, but—well, am I going to wake up and find out that he is homely and commonplace, too? That would be awful after I was married and—yet, I might as well tell you that I'm engaged to him! What do you think?"

"My dear," said her friend in a tone of awe, "if you can think for a minute that a man with a snub nose, red hair, small eyes and a walk like a kangaroo such as Harry has is the least bit good looking it is proof that you are so deeply in love with him that you'll never come to your senses! Go ahead and marry him!"

"I intend to!" said the girl in white serge, stiffly. "And I must say it's only jealousy on your part that makes you run down a handsome young man like Harry!"

"Anyhow, you're consistent!" said her friend.—Chicago Daily News.

What is a shrub in one climate may be a tree in another.

Official Vote of Barton County Cast at the General Election November 5th, 1912.

		Feder	Austin	Peterson	Lewis	Bowen	Ross	Little	Dawson	Laughlin	Akers	Clemens	Davis	Brown	Sessions	Britton	Ingalls	Riddle	Reeves	Johnson	Burch	Sutton	Guyer	Murphy	Williams	Tucker	Land	Breeden	Brown	McMullen	Townsley	Allen	Kellam	Rush	Newcombe	Momyer	Freer	McCauley	Embrey	Daily	Brown	Hall	Carroll	Russell	Epperson	Yoe	Schwager	Snodgrass	Younkin	Chapman	Zutavern	Millard	Neeley	Finley	Hodges	Capper	Thompson	Stubbs	Wilson	Taft	Roosevelt
State Printer		67	65	55	77	65	72	58	73	56	75	53	79	56	76	58	74	52	55	71	72	53	74	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..	..
Supt. Ins.		102	76	76	150	81	148	80	149	80	141	80	145	80	148	80	134	91	145	80	145	79	146	127	163	133	176	177	117	115	36	117	117	78	63	29	31	64	32	61	31	64	33	61	32	64	32	46	59	75	56	53	52	32	39	32	32	39	32	39	32	39
State Supt.		123	145	81	179	116	180	127	172	120	170	120	176	119	176	125	170	126	122	177	177	78	117	117	176	176	176	177	117	117	117	117	78	63	31	49	39	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39
Att'y General		117	151	117	179	116	180	127	172	120	170	120	176	119	176	125	170	126	122	177	177	78	117	117	176	176	176	177	117	117	117	117	78	63	31	49	39	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39
Treasurer		80	98	80	117	79	118	85	118	80	119	78	120	78	120	82	117	82	118	78	118	78	118	118	118	118	118	118	118	118	118	118	78	63	31	49	39	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39
Aud. State		108	62	58	85	61	78	61	78	80	78	64	78	64	78	64	78	64	78	64	78	64	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	78	63	31	49	39	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39
Sec. State		75	62	45	62	35	61	35	61	62	61	57	61	57	61	57	61	57	61	57	61	57	61	61	61	61	61	61	61	61	61	61	61	63	31	49	39	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39
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Senator		56	27	19	25	19	25	19	25	19	25	19	25	19	25	19	25	19	25	19	25	19	25	19	25	19	25	19	25	19	25	19	25	63	31	49	39	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39
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Clerk of Court		22	21	22	21	22	21	22	21	22	21	22	21	22	21	22	21	22	21	22	21	22	21	22	21	22	21	22	21	22	21	22	21	63	31	49	39	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39	31	39
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