

The Testing of Julia Grant

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Julia Grant is jilted three weeks before her wedding day. She goes into a hospital to study nursing and meets another man, Dr. John Norville, who interests her very much.

Julia, sitting in the dimly lighted sitting-room with her father and mother, heard the door open upstairs and then close.

"All right," Dan returned, but he made no move to come into the room. "I believe I won't stay tonight," he added.

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"You know that, Dan." "Yes, I know it; but I thought I could make you love me; I was sure of it; I love you so much."

Nothing would make her happy; Julia knew that. She felt as though she never could be happy again, as though the life that swirled about her and had drawn her into this vortex had somehow taken away her peace of mind forever.

"I believe I won't stay tonight," he added. "I'm all in; I think I'll go home and get some sleep." He lingered a moment uncertainly and Julia rose.

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was going to release her. She wondered vaguely what Lucy had said to him to persuade him to do such a thing. She stretched out her hand to Dan. Vaguely she wanted to comfort him; his face looked so boyishly miserable.

He took the hand gently and held it palm upward against his cheek. "Julia," he said after a minute with an obvious effort. "I want you to answer just one question. If nothing had ever come between us, if I had never done this thing to you, could you have been happy with me—really happy, I mean—did you love me enough for that?"

"Way, Dan, I think so; it's hard to tell; but I did care for you; you know that." "But not as you do for this other man," he burst out fiercely. "With him you're different. I've watched you; I know."

He dropped her hand and turned away, his face working. "I'm going," he muttered; "I've brought enough trouble into your life, and tonight I'm going out of it."

He strode over to the door and down the hall, grasping his coat and hat in an accident and wish to have it removed. I care to intrust only skilled surgeons with the work. W. C.

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them and I have tried everything that has been recommended to me, and everything has been a failure. So please advise me what to do to get rid of them. MRS. C. V. K.

Have you tried all the insect powders on the market? There are some very good ones that have been found satisfactory. Try powdered borax, putting it in the places where the bugs are mostly seen.

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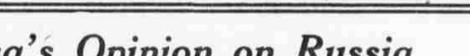
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