

HOME

A NOVEL

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SYNOPSIS
CHAPTER I—Alan Wayne is sent away from Red Hill, his home, by his uncle, J. Y., as a moral figure, Clem runs after him in a futile effort of short skirts to bid him good-by.

CHAPTER II—Captain Wayne tells Alan of the falling of the Wayne. Clem drinks Alan's health on his birthday.

CHAPTER III—Judge Healey buys a picture for Alix Lansing. The judge demands Alan in his business with his employers.

CHAPTER IV—Alan and Alix meet at sea, homeward bound, and start a flirtation, which becomes serious.

CHAPTER V—At home, Nance Sterling asks Alan to go away from Alix. Alix is taken to task by Gerry, her husband, for her conduct with Alan and defies him.

CHAPTER VI—Gerry, as he thinks, sees Alix and Alan eloping. He drops everything and goes to Pernambuco.

CHAPTER VII—Alix leaves Alan on the train and goes home to find that Gerry has disappeared.

CHAPTER VIII—Gerry leaves Pernambuco and goes to Piranhas. On a canoe trip he meets a native girl.

CHAPTER IX—The judge fails to trace Gerry. A baby is born to Alix.

CHAPTER X—The native girl takes Gerry to her home and shows him the ruined plantation she is mistress of. Gerry marries her.

CHAPTER XI—At Maple house Collingford tells her to meet Alan—"Ten Per Cent. Wayne"—building a bridge in Africa.

CHAPTER XII—Collingford meets Alix and her baby and gives her encouragement about Gerry.

CHAPTER XIII—Alan comes back to town but does not go home. He makes several calls in the city.

CHAPTER XIV—Gerry begins to improve Margarita's plantation and builds an irrigating ditch.

CHAPTER XV—In Africa Alan reads Clem's letters and dreams of home.

CHAPTER XVI—Gerry pastures Lieber's cattle during a drought. A baby comes to Gerry and Margarita.

CHAPTER XVII—Collingford meets Alix in the city and finds her changed.

CHAPTER XVIII—Alan meets Alix, J. Y. and Clem, grown to beautiful womanhood, in the city and realizes that he has sold his birthright for a mess of pottage.

CHAPTER XIX—Kemp and Gerry become friends.

CHAPTER XX—Kemp and Gerry visit Lieber and the three exiles are drawn together by a common tie.

CHAPTER XXI—Lieber tells his story. "Home is the anchor of a man's soul. I want to go home."

CHAPTER XXII—In South America Alan gets fever and his foreman prepares to send him to the coast.

CHAPTER XXIII—Alan is carried to Lieber's fazenda, almost dead, and Gerry sees him.

CHAPTER XXIV—Alan tells Gerry the truth about Alix and Gerry tells him of Margarita and the baby. Alan wonders and is disgusted.

CHAPTER XXV—A food carries away Margarita and her baby, despite Gerry's attempt at rescue.

CHAPTER XXVI—Fever follows Gerry's exposure. He sends a note to Alix by Alan when Alan and Kemp go home. He tells Lieber he can't go home.

CHAPTER XXVII—Alan gets back to the city and sends Gerry a note to Red Hill. Alix calls on Alan, but he refuses to tell her Gerry's story. Alan goes home to Red Hill.

Alan's eyes gleamed with amusement at the rippling words. Alix was certainly well. Then suddenly she collapsed in a chair. "Three years!" she gasped. Her hands went up to hold her head and she began to cry in a way Alan had never heard a woman cry before. The gasping sobs racked his nerves. He felt as though the sobs were tearing their way up from his own breast. He gripped the arms of the chair in which he sat. His body telephoned to his brain that he was going to faint and at such astounding news Ten Percent Wayne woke up and took charge. "Alix!" the word snapped out like the crack of a whip. "You stop crying or I'll slap you, and when I slap I slap hard."

Alix choked, swallowed and looked at him, outraged and unrelenting. Alan's eyes were blazing. "You listen to me," he commanded, "listen to every word I say. You've gone through a lot in three years, but just fasten your mind on to this: so has Gerry. That note is colorless because Gerry made it colorless. It doesn't tell anything, because Gerry isn't a coward and because there are things he must tell you face to face to get your answer clear in his own mind. I'm making you curious with every word. All right, be curious. But you can be sure of

one thing: Gerry had wanted me to tell you his story but he didn't ask me to. He didn't even ask me to go to Red Hill. He was standing in deep waters, but he had his head and shoulders out. He wasn't asking for my or anybody else's hand to help him up the bank. He didn't ask me not to meddle because he knew I was man enough to see where he stood without words. He trusted me." Alan's voice trailed off weakly. He closed his eyes.

"But, Alan," said Alix, "I must know something. Is he well? Is he—"

Alan held up his hand. "Just one thing and then I'm going to sleep. I never thought the old Rock would ever loom so big."

Alix watched him doze off. She felt strangely comforted by the crumb he had tossed her. She went back in her mind to a dinner of long ago, when she had defended Gerry's placid weight against Alan. She sat on for half an hour, busy with varying thoughts. She looked curiously around Alan's sitting room. How strange that she should be here and yet how natural. How safe she felt. She wondered if it was all because of the defenses she had raised up in herself or whether any woman would feel safe with the new and weakened Alan. She slipped out without waking him and sent a cable to Pernambuco. By night she had an answer. Gerry had not yet sailed!

Days passed. She went out only for exercise. Her mind was busy with wondering. The judge called regularly. He had put off going to Red Hill. He wanted Alix to feel that a friend was at hand and, besides, he had Alan on his hands. Alan was worrying him in a new way. Something had gone out of him. Sometimes he seemed to the judge a mere shell—a blown egg, robbed of the seed of life. The judge talked of him often to Alix, but she could not fasten her mind on Alan. "Take him to the Hill," was her listless advice.

"I've tried," said the judge, "and he says he's not ready—not strong enough. I told him that's what he ought to go for—to get strong—and he said a funny thing. 'There's a kind of strength we must generate or borrow. I didn't borrow, so now I'm generating. It takes time.' And then he dropped off to sleep. Before, he used to run you through with his tongue when he wanted to stop conversation. Now he just goes to sleep. It's just as effective and almost as original."

One afternoon the judge came in with a smile on his face. "Alan is better," he announced.

"Isn't he better every day?" asked Alix.

"Not like this," said the judge. "You know Fleureur? Of course you don't. You wouldn't. Can't imagine how he ever got into the club, but he did. Well, it's a long time since Mr. Fleureur has been asked to cut in at bridge at the club or anywhere else. Yesterday he came in and saw Alan for the first time since his return. 'Hallo, Wayne,' he said, 'back again and doing the heavy swell as ever, only not quite so heavy inside the clothes now, eh? Alan is getting touchy over being a weakling. That's a good sign, too, by the way. He looked sideways out of his sleepy eyes at Fleureur and you bet everybody listened.' The judge paused at thus forgetting himself; then he went on: 'Alan said, 'Do clothes matter such a lot? Somehow it seems to me it doesn't make any difference how much a man waxes his mustache as long as he doesn't wax his finger nails.'"

Alix face lit up. "Oh, that is Alan!" The judge's eyes twinkled. "Yes," he said, "and then Alan went off to sleep like a shot and Fleureur remembered an engagement. The whole club's cheered up. The club didn't know what was the matter with itself, but it knows now. It was missing Alan after he had come back."

Alan had written to Mrs. J. Y. that he was planning to motor from town to Red Hill. Clem, as Mrs. J. Y.'s deputy, had answered his letter, promising him a warm and long welcome at Maple House. She gave him a way-bill. "It's the simplest way-bill in the world," she wrote, "out of town and along the sound till you come to the river, then up the valley till the bald top of East mountain signals you from the left. Climb the mountain, and from there the old church will lead you home."

"The old church will lead you home," Alan repeated to himself as he let his relaxed body lounge across the tenuous and trusted to cushions and springs to take up the bumps. His thoughts raced ahead of him to Red Hill. In memory he plodded over dusty roads and through mossy lanes, swam, fished and loafed, wept and laughed. He was going back to the cradle of all his emotions.

The wind and the motion of the car made him sleepy. He dozed. He awoke to see East mountain looming in the distance. Steadily the car drew into its lee. Alan sighted a climbing road and called directions to the driver. From the bare top of the mountain he made out the old church, a white speck on a far-away hill. He stood up and traced the course they were to follow. He was filled with a strange excitement. "Never mind the bumps—open her up," he ordered, and sat down and closed his eyes.

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Satin tomato pin cushions, 4c & 8c
5c sewing machine oil, bottle 4c
49 and 50 count mourning pins, box 2c
12-yd. bolt of bias seam tape 5c
Elastic corset lacers, 2 for 5c
3-yd. bias corset lacer 6c
3-yd. bolts white cotton tape 1c
12-piece package of India tape 5c
Hooks and eyes, card 2c
De Long Nub hooks and eyes, doz. 8c

De Long Press buttons, dozen 8c
Adamantine pins, paper 1c
S. & S. hair curlers, 5 in pack 4c
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Pearl Buttons, dozen 2c, 3c and 4c
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10c Rick-rack braid 10c
25c dress fasteners on tape, yd., 19c
Dressmakers' chalk, box of six colors 5c
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Victoria spool silk, in black, white and colors, 3c a spool, or 35c a dozen.

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10c white crochet cotton, all numbers 9c
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5, 7 and 8-inch scissors for, pr., 9c
10c Queen Stocking Darners 8c
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5c large spool carpet and button thread, spool 4c

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10c Queen stocking darners 8c
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25c Kellinet waist bands and hose supporters for 21c

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10c Shell and Amber Hair Pins, 6 in box 4c

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10c Kohlnoor & Pryms dress fasteners, dozen 8c
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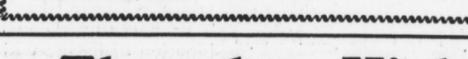
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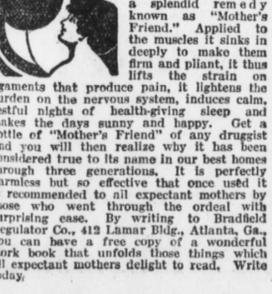
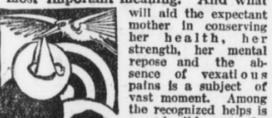
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6 Children in 18 Months Born to Chadds Ford Pair

Madia, Pa., March 28.—Mrs. William Pasco, of Chadds Ford, last night gave birth to three girls and a boy, and mother and children are doing nicely.

This makes six children born to Mrs. Pasco in eighteen months, twin boys having been born a year and a half ago. Both are living.

LITERARY SOCIETY PROGRAM

Williamstown, Pa., March 28.—At the last regular meeting of the Shaperean Literary Society of the Williamstown High school, this program was rendered: Selection by the High School Glee Club; reading of the society's minutes; installation of officers; recitation, John Moyer; essay, Carrie Phillips; reading, Emma Klinger; debate, "Resolved, 'That President Wilson's Present Policy is Justifiable,'" affirmative, Clarence Pickinger; Howard Shuttlesworth, Harold Budd; negative, Charles Klinger, Allen Rank, George Hoffman. Music, Glee club; mock oration, Albert Parker; musical trio, Miss Elizabeth Watkeys, James Thompson, Harold Bolton; Gazette, Anna Milyer; monologue, Louise Trotman; music, Glee club; adjournment.

CHURCH OFFICERS ELECTED

New Bloomfield, Pa., March 28.—Christ's Lutheran Church has elected the following officers: Deacons, David A. Tressler and David H. Metz; elder, John S. Zimmerman; trustee, Samuel S. Willard.

Lutheran Sabbath school: Superintendent, Daniel A. Kline; assistant superintendent, David A. Tressler; secretary, Miss Laura Wolfe; assistant secretary, Miss Mary McKeohan; treasurer, Charles O. Davis; librarian, Miss Bertha Heston; assistant librarian, Ralph Tressler; organist, Miss Catherine Tressler; assistant organist, Miss Elizabeth Barbour; superintendent home department, Miss Elizabeth Roth; superintendent cradle roll, Mrs. J. C. Motter.

MANY AT CAKE WALK

Marietta, March 28.—The annual cake walk and dance of Cassiopeia Lodge, 1705, Odd Fellows, in Central Hall, last night drew a large crowd from all sections of the State. Harrisburg, Middletown, Steelton, Lancaster, Columbia and Marietta each had large representations. Aston's brass orchestra of Columbia furnished music for the occasion. Joseph M. Stafford, who has been secretary of the lodge since its organization 41 years ago, was not able to be present on account of sickness. This was the first time Mr. Stafford was absent.

Alkali in Soap Bad For the Hair

Soap should be used very carefully. If you want to keep your hair looking its best. Most soaps and prepared shampoos contain too much alkali. This dries the scalp, makes the hair brittle, and ruins it. The best thing for steady use is just ordinary mulforded coconut oil (which is pure and greaseless), and is better than the most expensive soap or anything else you can use. One or two teaspoonfuls will cleanse the hair and scalp thoroughly. Simply moisten the hair with water and rub it in. It makes an abundance of rich, creamy lather, which rinses out easily, removing every particle of dust, dirt, dandruff and excessive oil. The hair dries quickly and evenly and it leaves the scalp soft, and the hair fine and silky, bright, lustrous, fluffy and easy to manage. You can get mulforded coconut oil at any pharmacy, it's very cheap, and a few ounces will supply every member of the family for months.

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