

WOMEN'S INTERESTS

A GIRL AND A MAN

A New and Vital Romance of City Life by Virginia Terhune Van de Water

CHAPTER XVI

Copyright, 1916, Star Company. What Philip Hale had spoken of as "one more week of beastly exams" was over.

Agnes recalled this fact with a realization that hereafter she would see him in his father's office every working day of the summer.

It was on Sunday night that he at last came to see her. At 9 o'clock his ring at the door announced his arrival.

"No," she said, "and mother had a notion that I must stay and make myself agreeable. I thought the task a hard one. I wanted to get here earlier.

"Why good evening, Miss Lucy?" as Miss Morley came to the door. "I did not see you the last time I was here."

"Well, I thought it was you, you see," Miss Lucy hurried on before her niece could check her; "so when Agnes called out to me to come in I said that I would not, because I knew you two dear children would rather be alone—and there it was not you after all!"

"He looked rather frightened, I assure you," Agnes joined in his merry laugh. "And I gave poor Auntie a bad scolding, too, didn't I?" she asked, turning to her elderly relative.

"Anyway, sit down now and chat with us—just to show me that you bear me no grudge for snapping out at you as I did that night."

"No, no," she protested. "Now that I can see or myself that your caller is Mr. Hale, I will say just what I said before—that I know you two young people would rather be alone."

"Oh, no," the old lady said hastily. "I would not presume to do such a thing!"

"I am so tired," she explained, "that I must read for a little while and quiet my mind, then go to sleep. I did not feel equal to attending church alone to-night, and now that Agnes is working all the week I think that one service on Sunday is enough for her. She and I went this morning."

"I knew you were in church this morning," Philip told Agnes after Miss Lucy had left him and the girl alone together. "I saw you."

"And I saw you," she rejoined. "I always see you when you are at church—but you are not there often."

"Why should I be when you won't even let me walk home with you?" he reproached her. "I really cannot see why you are so particular. This morning when we were down the aisle, I looked up and saw the back of your head leaving the gallery door. But I actually did not see you until this morning."

"I should hope not!" Agnes exclaimed. "Your father was there, too."

"He may as well get used to seeing me with you," Philip declared. "I have mentioned you to him—at least I did when I first met you."

"He has forgotten it then," Agnes remarked. "For he only vaguely recalled that he had seen me somewhere sometime. I told him it was probably in church. And that was all that was said."

"Nonsense! he could not have forgotten you," Philip protested with the inability of youth to appreciate that a face that is precious to one person can be a matter of indifference to another.

"Insisted. He does not know that you know me. And there is no need of his knowing it. I forbid you to speak of me to him before we met at the office."

"All right," Philip promised. "I have not mentioned you in his presence, it hurt her to think of it."

"I have not had my marks yet," he told the "but am pretty sure I've passed. And Agnes," his voice changing as he leaned forward and took her hand, "if I have, it's due to you."

"Oh, no," she contradicted. "Yes, it is," he insisted. "Had it not been for you, this had belonged to the college business months ago. But you asked me to keep at it. Is it any wonder that I want my father to know what you have been to me? Some day he shall know it all—some day when I have made good."

"Until that day comes, Phil," she pleaded, "say nothing about it. Promise me. Do you hear, promise me."

"I promise," he agreed, reluctantly. "But it is only because you ask it. Why, Agnes, can't you see that that is the reason I have done all the things that Father wishes—because you, too, have wished me to do them?"

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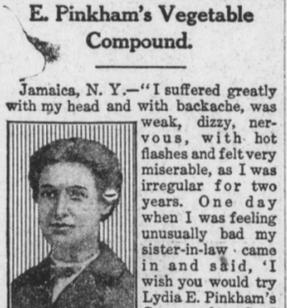
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HOW ABOUT JAPAN? By Frederic J. Haskin (Continued From Editorial Page) Almost as remarkable as this state of affairs has been the attitude of the

American public. If the English press ran over with hostile comment, if the Germans published a year-book stating openly that they were planning their navy with a view to possible conflict with the United States, if the French press proclaimed that we were blocking at every turn the manifest mission of France, if the newspapers of the Argentine shrieked that we had imperial designs on South America and called on all loyal Argentines to beware, we would certainly sit up and take notice; at the very least we would freely discuss this regrettable misunderstanding, and ask what it meant. When the Japanese press takes lines similar to all of these, why do we ignore the whole question? It is due largely to the fact that the American public knows little about it. News emanating from Japan is peculiarly under official control because the great Japanese news-gathering agency, the Kokusai, which corresponds to the Associated Press and similar organizations in America, and to Reuters in Europe, is a government-controlled institution. The Japanese language is in itself an effective screen for a large part of what goes forward. One very significant fact stands out upon consideration of the attitude of the Japanese press and people through all these years. It is one that properly considered, explains a good deal, and ought to be borne in mind in studying our relations with Japan. The Japanese over-estimate the importance we attach to them and to their projects, the mass of the people has been given a totally erroneous idea of our attitude toward the whole Far Eastern question. They see in the Asiatic continent a hot-bed of their

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