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She looked at him curiously.

"It's a pity to see such a fine young man tramping," she said. "Why don't you give it up?"

"I'm thinking of it, ma'am," he answered.

"A sober, industrious man like you," she continued, "should marry and settle down."

"I'm thinking of that, too, ma'am," he said, and somehow he looked toward Stella as he said it, and Stella, who was in the doorway, caught his glance and cried abruptly:

"Your luncheon is ready."

The young man soused his head in a tin wash basin a few times and then pronounced himself also ready.

It was a nice midday spread, and Stella waited on him. As his eye took in the details of the painfully clean kitchen he suddenly cried out:

"Do you ride a wheel?"

"Why, yes," she answered calmly. "Don't you?"

He stopped and sipped at his glass of milk.

"A tramp on a bicycle! Ha, ha!" he laughed, but it was a forced laugh.

After luncheon the young man announced that he was obliged to go to town, but he would come back at 5 o'clock that afternoon, and perhaps he could be of further service. The older lady offered him his pay.

"Keep it for me until I get back from town," he said. "I never have any money in my pocket without wanting to spend it."

"Poor young man!" said Stella's mother.

Then with lifted hat the poor young man strode down the path and vanished behind the hedge that bordered the highway.

"I wonder if he will ever come back?" quote Stella's mother.

"Yes, he'll come back," said Stella.

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It was nearly 5 o'clock that afternoon when a natty young man in an exceedingly becoming bicycle suit came wheeling down the road from Centerville. Presently he was aware that a rider was was approaching, a rider in a charming gray suit and hat and with the daintiest russet shoes. He turned aside to give the newcomer the best of the road when a merry voice cried out:

"Coming back for your money?"

He started around in astonishment.

"Why, it's Stella!" he cried. "I beg your pardon, Miss"—

"Stella Gorham," she cried as she turned about and pedaled to his side.

"I am John Trenholm," he said, "the treasurer of the new Centerville mills."

"Yes," she said demurely, "I could have told you that."

"You know me?"

"I guessed it. I knew you were coming to Centerville, and I had heard of you before. Your sister and I went at Wellesley together. Why, Mabel gave me one of your photographs—there, I shouldn't have told you that."

"Why," he said, "I've heard of you too. Valedictorian of your class, pride of"—

"There, there," said Stella, "that will be quite sufficient." She pushed her wheel ahead and left him a little behind.

"Do you know," she said as he caught up, "mother will almost die from mortification."

"Not if she pays me what she owes," laughed the youth. Then he added, with a mischievous glance at the girl, "I am going to try and coax another meal out of her."

"I'll attend to that," said Stella.

And so side by side they rode down the road and up the pathway to the cottage.—Cleveland Plain Dealer.

HOW TO PACK A TRUNK.

Trunks should be packed as tightly as possible to prevent the articles shifting about. Underclothing should be packed in the bottom of the trunk and small articles take less space if rolled up instead of folded.

Woolen dress skirts should be folded on top. The trays should hold waists, jackets and light silk and organdie gowns. The sleeves of all waists should be filled out with tissue paper and the arms crossed upon the front.

Skirts should be doubled over lengthwise several times so the folds may be adjusted without wrinkling. Then lay them on the bed and smoothe out all ruffles or trimmings. If the trunk is not long enough fold over the top of the skirt, never the bottom.

Each tray should be protected with unbleached muslin or cambric to prevent the dust sifting through.

The first arrival—Why, what is that noise, Willie? Willie—Oh, that's papa and mama trying to get the family skeleton back into the closet before the guests arrive.

He—You say you married a Western man. She—Yes. And that he never drinks? Never! Nor smokes. No, sir. Nor loses his temper! That's what I said. When did he die?

Six feet in his boots! exclaimed old Mr. Knowbetter. Nonsense! Why, they might as well tell me that he has six heads in his hat.

THE SILENT MARCH.

When the march begins in the morning
And the heart and the foot are light,
When the flags are all a-flutter
And the world is gay and bright,
When the bugles lead the column
And the drums are proud in the van,
It's shoulder to shoulder, forward march!
Ah! let him lag who can!

For it's easy to march to music
With your comrades all in line,
And you don't get tired, you feel inspired,
And life is a draught divine.

When the march drags on at evening
And the color bearer's gone,
When the merry strains are silent
That piped so brave in the dawn,
When you miss the dear old fellows,
Who started out with you,
When it's stubborn and sturdy, forward march!
Though the ragged lines are few,

Then it's hard to march in silence,
And the road has lonesome grown,
And life is a bitter cup to drink,
But the soldier must not moan.

And this is the task before us,
A task we may never shirk,
In the gay time and the sorrowful time
We must march and do our work.
We must march when the music cheers us,
March when the strains are dumb,
Plucky and valiant, forward, march!
And smile, whatever may come.

For, whether life's hard or easy,
The strong man keeps the pace,
For the desolate march and the silent,
The strong soul finds the grace.
—Margaret E. Sangster in Chicago Interior.

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Perhaps you haven't heard about the visitor that arrived at our house yesterday?—a fine baby boy—a perfect cherub?"

The deaf man smiled pleasantly and replied:

"Oh, we have lots of 'em at our house. My wife gets them by the bushel. Stews 'em, you know and puts 'em up. She put up more than forty cans this summer. Yes, indeed."

"Why," said the bewildered neighbor, "what do you think I said?"

"Yes, she likes the red kind best," continued the afflicted citizen. "Says they ain't so tough. Is yours the black kind?"

"Sir!" cried the indignant neighbor. "What are you talking about?"

The deaf man heard this.

"Why, cherries, of course," he pleasantly remarked. "That's what you said isn't it?"

But the neighbor walked along without explaining.

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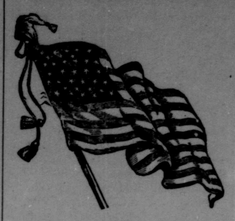
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