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Men's 7.00 and $8.00 Suits now	5.00.	Men's 4 50 Overcoats now	1.98.
Men's 5.00 Suits now	3.79.	Youths' $2.75, $3.50 and $4.75 Overcoats now	2.29.
All medium weight Black Suits excepted.		Boys' $4.50 Chinchilla Reefers now	2.69.
Youths' $6.00 and $7.00 Suits now	$4.75.	Men's Winter Weight Dress Pants one-third off regular price.	
Youths' 4.50 and $5.00 Suits now	3.60.	A lot of Men's $1.00 Stiff Bosom Fancy Shirts now 69 cents.	
Boys' $5.00 Knee Pants Suits now	3.34.	A lot of Boys' 45 cent Negligee Shirts, very pretty, now 29 cents	
Boys' 4.50 Knee Pants Suits now	3.00.	A special lot of Men's Fancy half Hose, very pretty patterns, regular 15 cent values, while they last we say 10 cents a pair.	
Boys' 3.75 Knee Pants Suits now	2.50.		
Boys' 3 00 Knee Pants Suits now	2.00.		
Men's 7.50 Storm Overcoats now	5.50.		
Men's 9.00 English Whipcord Overcoats, "a Beauty," now	6.98.		
Men's 7.50 Dark Blue Beaver Overcoats now	5.98.		

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10 Boys' Overcoats, 4 to 8 year sizes, reduced to $1.00. 25 Youths' Suits, 15, 16 and 17 year sizes, were $5 to $8, now $3.50. Men's $5 and $6 Suits now $3.50; $7 to $9 Suits now $5. A few of these elegant $15 and $16 Suits now $11. 38 Men's Overcoats left. If we can fit you you will save $2 to $5 by buying one now. 15 Boys' and Youths' Overcoats at about ¼ price. Men's $1.50 pants now $1; $2 pants $1.50. 200 pairs Boys' Knee Pants at cost.

AT HALF PRICE, the following small lots: 10 Blouse Suits, 9 to 12 year sizes; 20 14, 15 and 16 Short Pants Suits, at $1 and $1.50. A few broken sizes in $1 Underwear 50c. Unusual bargains in all Underwear and Gloves. Cardigan Jackets 50c.

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Flour 40 to 70c Sack.	Chocolate 10 to 20c cake.
Try our Star or Leader Coffee.	Raisins 5, 8 and 10c pound.
Plum Puddings 10c Can.	Pure Lemon and Vanilla Extracts
Oyster Crackers 7c lb.	New Dried Corn 10c a lb.
Fresh Ground Buckwheat.	Get our prices on Soup and Lima Beans.
5c bottle of Leader Blue for 3c.	Try our Spices, they are pure.
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THE MODEL WEEKLY STORE NEWS.

Derr & Lamberd, Head to Foot Outfitters.

Spring Dress Goods.

Some of the prettiest and most stylish wool Dress Goods we've ever seen are on our counters to-day, including some very unusual values.

50c ALL WOOL ALBATROSS 39c.

This very popular spring fabric is here in all the leading colors, full 38 inches wide, special price 39c yard.

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These fashionable suitings are here in plain colors and hair line stripes, all the most wanted light shades of course. They are specially fine and double width, at only 50c yard.

All Wool Eclipse Suiting, all the new shades and yard wide, at 38c yd.

We do Upholstering.

Bring in your old furniture and have it made like new.

We have an expert upholsterer and the charges are very moderate. An estimate costs you nothing. We are showing a beautiful assortment of fine Damasks and Tapestry, also Velour. If you have any couches, chairs or parlor suites that need remodeling before spring, now is the time to get it done. Come in and talk it over anyway.

Percales and Ginghams.

New, spring styles to be sure! besides they are designs which you cannot find except here. Fully fifty styles of each to pick from to-day: the cloth is the very best and the patterns the newest, either light or dark grounds.

50 styles 36-inch Fine Percales 12½c yd.

50 styles 28-inch Fine Gingham 10c yd.

FINE WASH GOODS.

The first showing of some of our very finest imported Wash Goods is to-day. Exclusive designs and fabrics, in every leading style, 25c to 50c yd.

Do You Need Some Muslin Underwear?

We are showing our entire new spring assortment; also some special bargains in small lots. Our garments are all made of good muslins and cambric, trimmed in the very newest fashion, with pretty embroideries and laces. The prices are about what the bare materials would cost. We make them for nothing.

NIGHT GOWNS.

At 49c.—Night Gowns of good muslin, yoke of tucks and inserting.

At 75c.—Gowns of fine muslin and cambric, nicely trimmed in embroidery.

At $1.00.—Night Gowns of splendid muslin, most beautifully trimmed in lace or embroidery.

DRAWERS.

At 29c.—Nice Muslin Drawers, deep hemstitched ruffle or trimmed with edge.

At 39c.—Good Drawers, umbrella shape, hemstitched tucks or deep lace ruffle.

At 59c.—Fine Drawers, of splendid muslin, trimmed with laces and embroidery, also tucks.

CORSET COVERS.

At 25c.—Dainty Cambric Corset Covers, neatly trimmed in lace edge and inserting.

At 50c.—Corset Covers of fine cambric, French style, beautifully trimmed in embroidery.

At 75c.—Nainsook Corset Covers, allover embroidery front, ribbon in neck.

PETTICOATS.

At 59c.—Fine Muslin Petticoats, with deep umbrella flounce and tucks.

At 89c.—Muslin Skirt, with lawn hemstitched ruffle and embroidery.

At $1.25.—Fine Muslin Petticoats, with deep ruffle, lace or embroidery trimmed.

Your Spring Wants in Furniture and Carpets

May be economically filled by coming to this store. We have made splendid preparations for you and now invite you to the feast.

All of the very newest and best things in Carpets and Furniture await your approval.

Brussels Carpets 60c to 90c.
Velvet Carpepts $1.00 to $1.25.
Axminster Carpets $1.15.
Ingrain Carpets 25c to 65c.

All carpets made and laid free of charge.

EVERYTHING IN FURNITURE.

Newest styles, best grades, lowest prices.
Solid Oak 8-piece Bed Room Suites $20 to $65 complete.
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Five-piece Parlor Suite $25 to $75.
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Interesting to All. The Newest Embroideries.

Hundreds of pieces of the newest and most beautiful Embroideries are here for your inspection. This will be an embroidery and lace year; we are well prepared for it.

Nainsook Embroideries 8c to 75c.
Cambric Embroideries 5c to 50c.
Nainsook Insertions 10c to 50c.
Cambric Insertions 5c to 25c.

All these goods are in great demand and our assortment is better today than it is likely to be later.

10c TORCHON LACES 5c.

Thousands of yards pretty Torchon Laces and Insertings, from 1 to 3 inches wide, usual 10c values, special price only 5c yard.

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In order to reduce our Stock before invoicing, FEBRUARY 1st, 1902, we will give a discount of 10 PER CENT. on all goods in our line until above date, except

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Respectfully, A. H. WENTZ,
feb-11-tf Jeweler & Optician, Westminster, Md.

NO. 3828 EQUITY.

In the Circuit Court for Carroll County, in Equity.

William W. Lindsay, et als., plaintiffs, against Mary O. Lindsay, et als., defendants.

Ordered, by the Circuit Court for Carroll County, this 7th day of February, in the year Nineteen Hundred and Two, that the sale of the property mentioned in these proceedings, made and reported by William L. Lindsay, George L. Stocksdale and Charles T. Reifsnider, trustees, be ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 10th day of March next; provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed in Carroll county, once in each of three successive weeks before the 3rd day of March, next. The report states the amount of sale to be $1,951.96.

JAS. H. BILLINGSLEA, Clerk.

True Copy—Test:
feb-8-3t JAS. H. BILLINGSLEA, Clerk.

THE BALTIMORE AND FREDERICK ELECTRIC RAILWAY COMPANY.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will open books for receiving subscriptions to the stock of the Baltimore and Frederick Electric Railway Company, at the office of Frank H. Callaway, No. 216 N. Liberty Street, Baltimore, Md., and at the law Office of J. Roger McSherry, No. 23 E. Second street, Frederick, Md., on the 1st day of March, A. D. 1902.

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JOHN W. ELLARD,
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GUY W. STEELE, LAWYER,

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IVAN L. HOFF, Solicitor.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF A VERY DESIRABLE PROPERTY,

situate near Linwood, Carroll County, Md.

By virtue of the power of sale contained in a mortgage from David E. Shamer to William B. Thomas, dated July 31st, 1901, and recorded among the real estate mortgage records of Carroll county, in liber J. H. B. No. 45, folio 463, &c., the undersigned, as mortgagee, will sell at Public Sale, on the premises, on

SATURDAY, 1st DAY OF MARCH, 1902,

at 1 o'clock, p. m., the following land and premises described in and conveyed by said mortgage, containing

14 ACRES OF LAND, more or less,

and improved by a 2½ Story Frame Dwelling, large Barn, Wagon Shed, and all other necessary out-buildings. All the improvements on this property are in first-class condition. There is an abundance of fruit, and the ground is in a high state of cultivation.

This property is situate in Uniontown district, about ½ a mile northeast of Linwood, within sight of the W. M. R. R., and about 2 miles from New Windsor. It is convenient to churches, schools, stores and mills. Possession will be given April 1st, 1902.

TERMS OF SALE.—Cash; or if desired by the purchaser the following credit terms will be given: One-third cash on the day of sale, one-third in 6 months and the balance in 12 months from day of sale, the credit payments to be secured by the notes of the purchaser, with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale.

WILLIAM B. THOMAS,
Wm. T. Wilson, Auct. Mortgagee.
feb 8 4t

TRUSTEE'S SALE OF DWELLING HOUSE AND LOT OF LAND, in Union Bridge, Carroll county, Maryland.

By virtue of a decree of the Circuit Court for Carroll County, sitting as a Court of Equity, passed in cause No. 3938 Equity, wherein George E. Sponsler, by his next friend &c., is plaintiff, and Ellen Sponsler, widow, et al., are defendants, the undersigned, as trustee, will sell at Public Sale, on the premises, on

Monday, March 3rd, 1902, at 1.30 o'clock,

P. M., all that piece or parcel of land situate lying and being in Union Bridge, Carroll county, Maryland, it being a part of the same lot of ground which Daniel R. Fogle obtained from Jesse Anders and wife and others, by deed dated May 1st, 1880, the part being the one-half (North End) of lot number 4, in block number 11, as described in a plat of lots laid out in said town, on the 14th day of December, 1864, and recorded among the Land Records of Carroll county, in Liber W. A. McK. No. 31, folio 363 &c., in fee simple, and being also the same parcel of land which was conveyed to S. Hamilton Sponsler by Daniel R. Fogle and wife, by deed dated December 6th, A. D. 1882, and recorded among the Land Records of Carrol county, in Liber F. T. S. No. 58, folio 183 &c.

The improvements thereon are a comfortable and well built two-story Frame Weatherboarded Dwelling House, with porch in front and rear, Carriage House, Chicken House and other outbuildings; water in the house; good garden, &c.

This is the same property of which the said S. Hamilton Sponsler died seized and possessed, is located on Benedum street, in Union Bridge, Md., and adjoins the lots of Daniel Fogle and Mrs. Deborah Hughes.

The buildings are in fine repair and the location of the property makes it desirable.

TERMS OF SALE.—One-third cash on the day of sale, or on the ratification thereof, one-third in six months and the other one-third in one year from the day of sale, the credit payments to be secured by the notes of the purchaser or purchasers, with approved security, bearing interest from the day of sale; or all cash, at the option of the purchaser or purchasers.

EPHRAIM W. STONER,
Reifsnider & Grimes, Trustee.
Solicitors.
J. Thos. Roop,
Auctioneer. feb-8-4t

NO. 3942 EQUITY.

In the Circuit Court for Carroll County, sitting as a Court of Equity.

Ex-parte.

In the matter of the trust estate of Mary Ann Tener, Abraham T. Cronk and Edward O. Weant, trustees.

Ordered, this 28th day of January, in the year nineteen hundred and two, on the aforegoing petition, that the Circuit Court for Carroll county, sitting as a Court of Equity, take jurisdiction in the trust estate of Mary Ann Tener and that said trustees settle said trust estate under the supervision and control of said court and it is further ordered that the said Abraham T. Cronk add Edward O. Weant, trustee in the above entitled cause named, do give notice to the creditors of the said Mary Ann Tener, who were such prior to the 8th day of January, A. D. 1902, to file their claims properly authenticated with the Clerk of the Circuit Court for Carroll county, on or before the 5th day of May, A. D. 1902, by causing a copy of this order to be published in Carroll county, once a week for four successive weeks before the 3rd day of March next.

WM. H. THOMAS.

True Copy, Test:
feb 1 4t JAS. H. BILLINGSLEA, Clerk.

NO. 3773 EQUITY.

In the Circuit Court for Carroll County.

Jacob Crowl and others, plaintiffs, vs. John Young, and others, defendants.

Ordered, this 14th day of February, A. D. 1902, that the account of the Auditor filed in this cause be finally ratified and confirmed, unless cause to the contrary thereof be shown on or before the 3rd day of March, next; provided a copy of this order be inserted for two successive weeks before the last named day in some newspaper published in Carroll county.

JAS. H. BILLINGSLEA, Clerk.

True copy,—Test:
feb-15-2t JAS. H. BILLINGSLEA, Clerk.

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will save the dyspeptic from many days of misery, and enable him to eat whatever he wishes. They prevent

SICK HEADACHE,

cause the food to assimilate and nourish the body, give keen appetite,

DEVELOP FLESH

and solid muscle. Elegantly sugar coated.

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Ice on the Red Sea.

From the Presbyterian Banner.

Mr. Booker T. Washington tells a story of an old colored preacher who was endeavoring to explain to his congregation how it was that the Children of Iszael passed over the Red Sea safely, while the Egyptians, who came after them, were drowned. The old man said:

"My brethren, it was this way: When the Israelites passed over, it was early in the morning, while it was cold, and the ice was strong enough so that they went over all right; but when the Egyptians came along it was in the middle of the day and the sun had thawed the ice so that it gave way under them, and they were drowned."

At this, a young man in the congregation who had been away to school and had come home, rose and said:

"I don't see how that explanation can be right, parson. The geography that I've been studying tells us that ice never forms under the equator, and the Red Sea is nearly under the equator."

"There now," said the old preacher, "that's all right. I's been spectin' some of you smart Alecks would be askin' jest some such fool question. The time I was speakin' about was before they had any jogafries or 'quators either."

Miscellaneous.

Pickles should be examined every month and soft pieces removed.

A kitchen stool on which to sit while washing dishes is a great boon to delicate women.

Printed letters may be removed from flour sacks by soaking them in buttermilk before washing.

Yolks of eggs left over when the whites only are needed, will keep for several days if they are covered with cold water.

Cob ashes, rubbed dry on a copper tea-kettle, and then quickly rubbed off with a piece of newspaper, gives a fine polish.

TO KNOW ALL IS TO FORGIVE ALL.

If I knew you and you knew me,
If both of us could clearly see,
And with an inner sight divine
The meaning of your heart and mine,
I'm sure that we would differ less
And clasp our hands in friendliness;
Our thoughts would pleasantly agree
If I knew you and you knew me.

If I knew you and you knew me,
As each one knows his own self, we
Could look each other in the face
And see therein a truer grace;
Life has so many hidden woes,
So many thorns for every rose;
The "why" of things our hearts would see,
If I knew you and you knew me.

—Nixon Waterman, in Good Cheer.

THE GOVERNOR'S BALL.

It was a well-known fact in official circles that the Governor was inordinately fond of balls. These pretty frivolities he rarely missed although he danced only on occasional lancers or Virginia reel with the chaperons. It was his custom to sit for a couple of hours with these ladies, making of their tiresome duty a pleasure, by his engaging conversation and more engaging attention.

There was a well-authenticated rumor that in his younger lawyer days he had been an enthusiastic dancer, but although buds and belles alike had endeavored to win him back to his former pursuits, none had succeeded. He was too old and stout, he answered jovially, when questioned on the subject. As he was not stout, and not very old, in spite of his gray hair, this answer was given the credence it deserved. He once confided to a hostess that it renewed his youth to watch a dance, and see the young things enjoy themselves, whereas he was convinced he would feel very old and rheumatic if he attempted to join in the recreation. This grave speech was followed by the smile that had won the Governor more friends and votes than he would ever know. But the smile, or the confidence, or both, left in the mind of the hostess, who sympathized secretly with his sentiments, a very considerable doubt as to his seriousness, he was so habitual a joker.

Some persons had advanced the theory that the Governor refrained from dancing because of the dignified position he held, but this view produced so much amusement among those who best knew the man that it never became popular. After watching him carry his six feet three inches of magnificent manhood through a Virginia reel nobody could entertain a doubt that the Governor would lend dignity to any undertaking.

Certain it is that he attended the balls in the gay little State capital and blithely held his court with the chaperons, frankly adored by the "young things" of both sexes, until a dance without his presence was a dismal and toneless affair. He laughingly asserted that somebody yet would print his name in a list of chaperons or else in the morning paper denominate him the belle of the ball. As it lacked a year of election time nobody had as yet fulfilled his prophecy. Sometimes, when there was a lull in the conversation, observant women had seen an expression in the Governor's gray eyes, as they followed the merry couples, that made him ponder.

On New Year's eve Senator and Mrs. Boniface gave a ball to the Governor, a surprise ball. Everybody knew in whose honor it was, except the man himself. The spacious ballroom was decorated with wreathes and festoons of holly and mistletoe, alternating with great love knots and festoons of red ribbons. Above the holly and mistletoe the Stars and Stripes were draped, and the State arms, embroidered in a banner, hung over the dais where Mr. and Mrs. Boniface received.

One young woman was a stranger to all except the cousin with whom she had come. Her pale green gown would have made her noticeable even had her beauty not in itself attracted immediate attention. She was tall and stately, with the bearing of a woman, sweet and without arrogance, but accustomed from infancy to homage. Her neck and arms were delicately pink, but her face was brown, as if the tan of summer exposure had not worn away. She looked out of her lustrous hazel eyes, however, in calm disregard of any blemish, and carried her straight, up-tilting little nose with the serenity of the conqueror she was.

"It will be my first glimpse of a real Governor," she was confiding to her chaperon. "I have seen a Rajah or two and an Emperor—but nothing like a Governor." She beamed from pure youthful joy at her chaperon, who smiled back at her with wistful envy for her enthusiasm.

"He was only elected to be a Lieutenant-Governor, and did not expect the higher position. He is very popular, though."

Frances nodded brightly. It was the dear home institutions he represented, not the man himself, that interested her. She looked out upon the gayly appareled dancers, and a warm wave of beauty, perfume and melody swept over her senses, with intoxication in it.

"Oh, but one's own native State!" she cried rapturously. "One's own country! I would rather see my own Governor, after all these years, than the greatest potentate of them all!"

"Good child!" said her chaperon, giving her an approving pat. "No lords?"

"Lords, no!" rejoined the girl with a wicked inflection, which brought Mrs. Lowe's eyes doubtfully to her demure face. "Not," she continued soberly after a pause, "that a few of them are not attractive enough. Some of the Englishmen are quite passable; but American men for me-e-v-e-r-y time," with emphasis.

Mrs. Lowe looked at her seriously. "And, Frances, the best of them all live in this very State of ours. I hope you will like some of our men, dear." The look this lonely woman gave the motherless girl was full of unsuspected pathos. "I would be so glad to have you here."

Frances, not observing the look, arranged deliberately a shoulder knot and made no reply. In her silence there was no consent, and her face lost its color.

Mrs. Lowe surveyed her young relative with pride. "That is a perfect gown you are wearing," she remarked pleasantly, as the girl failed to respond.

Frances looked up with a pleased smile. She could not remember when she had been approved in that sweet, familiar fashion. "Do you think so? It is a Vienna gown. I like them best of all. This one, now, is so elaborately simple."

Mrs. Lowe examined it discriminatingly. "Is that what it is?" she said with ludicrous solemnity. "Those knots of ecru, now, against the light and dark green, have a little air quite their own."

The girl laughed; Mrs. Lowe's manner was very droll. She began to anticipate a charming visit with this almost forgotten cousin. Out on the floor a small collision occurred that threatened serious consequences. Frances, with interest, saw it skilfully averted. Then she gave her cousin a tentative and wistful glance.

"I've been so homesick, Cousin Mildred."

"Homesick!" increduously. "With all those wonderful people you know!"

Frances shrugged one shoulder delicately. "There was no real excuse for leaving the boys or I would have been back long ago."

"Homesick?" Mrs. Lowe reiterated, and fell into silence.

"My partner appears to be taking his time coming for me," Francis said smilingly. "This must be he, this red individual," as a man in uniform pushed through the crowd and apologized, breathless for his delay.

Mrs. Lowe watched her charge a moment, and then joined Mrs. Boniface, who was looking somewhat bored in default of the Governor. She welcomed Mrs. Lowe cordially, and waited only to see her seated before inquiring eagerly, "Who is the lovely girl you brought with you?"

"My cousin, Frances Van Dyck, who came to visit me to-day. She has just returned from a long cruise in her brother's yacht. They have been gone several years. I have scarcely seen her yet, but she mentioned Australia and South America, and I know they spent some time in Europe, for one of the boys studied in Berlin. They have had honors in high places. She says she was homesick."

The two looked at each other impressively and then simultaneously smiled.

"Homesick!" Mrs. Boniface lifted her lorgnette to gaze at her remarkable guest, who floated by with the uniformed officer.

"Some girls don't pay to dress," she remarked with apparent irrelevance.

The truth of this remark being too obvious to need a reply, it was met with smiling silence.

"She has such spirits," observed Mrs. Boniface. "Not so young, either."

"No," imperturbably. "Quite companionable, in fact."

"What do you suppose keeps the Governor?"

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Frances danced with gladness and interest which no brilliant ball in foreign countries had aroused in her. She effervesced with patriotism to such an extent that anything American seemed infinitely superior to foreign splendor. The young officer was dazzled by the sparkling excitement of the girl.

They had paused to talk, in the full swing of the dancing, to gain their breath, after an exhilerating two-step. Her partner was fanning her laughing face with a fan suspended by a chain from her neck, while he gazed in her face. Without a trace of coquetry she flashed her eyes toward him. "Lieut. Jeffreys," she said, and he bent his head anxiously to catch the forthcoming confidence. "There is one thing even an American man can't do."

"For you? Impossible!" he murmured. "Name it."

"Use a fan properly. No man can. It must be a fault in the construction of their collar-bone."

"Pshaw?" he ejaculated, erestfallen. "I thought I was to have an opportunity to— You say no man can? Show me how to do it."

"I am very thirsty," she said laughing at his evident discomfiture. "Do you know where the water is?"

"It is downstairs," said her partner. "If you wait out here in the alcove I'll bring some up here." He led her out of the ballroom and they descended a few steps to the curve of the stair to a small alcove—a bower of palms and vines—where he left her.

Her face as it fell into repose was in startling contrast to its former brilliant animation. As if a waxen mask of care had descended upon it, color and light died out. She leaned against the wall of the alcove oblivious to the music, the laughter and the dancing feet. The tones of her partner's gay voice floated up from a room below; she heard it as in a dream.

"That you, Billy! You're awfully late. Jolly girl I want you to know."

She started up, rigid, at the sound of the voice which replied; "I'm looking for a jolly girl every day. You had better come away from that punch if you want to make a good impression."

The face of the man who had spoken had not lost its smile as he came up the stairs. Fascinated, Francis watched the lithe figure as it ascended step by step. With each stair her heart beat faster. He did not look up until he was almost level with her, when the shimmering seagreen satin of her gown arrested his attention, and he lifted his eyes.

For an instant, breathless, they confronted each other.

"Frances! You here!"

He took her hands and held them until with the instinct of self-preservation she retreated into the shadowy alcove. For an instant there was no sound but the noisy hum of conversation from the ballroom during an intermission in the dancing.

"This is no place," he said abruptly, "I know this house. Get your wrap and something for your head. I

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