A Moman in a Shoe-shop

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I am in the greatest hurry..... No, if you please, I don't in-

to hurry-I am in the greatest haste.

(She enters the shoe-shop.) Shoes High or low? Why, I haven't decided-

this is very sudden Oh, you want to know to show me where to sit ?..... Here

for ties and there for boots?.....Isn't

this a new idea?..... No? I don't seem

to remember at all. I suppose I've for-

gotten.....Well, I haven't made up my

Of course it is really spring now-and yet it

seems as though winter had scarcely gone-and I am always taking cold

my ankles I think

boo Still, the wea-

ther, does get warm so

.. No, I-no, I-..... Well,

mind yet which I want. Let's see

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regular session Dec. 15th in formity with the statutes, but cial session and soveral meet committees will be required t all arresrages of business off ficial slate. As a matter of i life of the present Council v expire until the new, alderm eworp in-about the second v January.

Aid Maunder was the only tee when Clerk Knowlson re minutes, which were confirmed Communications.

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From R. A. Pogue, B. Ganig F. D. Moore, respect ng non-1. for street watering tax. - r

committee. From John Arnold, claimin compensation for an injury horse, by driving into an ung and unlighted ditch on Colho on Sept. last .- Board of Work From Wm. Packard, re asses on personal property.-Finance

mittee. From M. E. Adams, respectin assessment of her dweiling .- F From Lillian O. Jackson, hax.-Finance committee.

From Jeremiah Shechan, ap

for remission of taxes .- Finance From Mrs. L. Archambuult, festing against the action of t sessors in raising the assessme her grocery stock \$50 "be Burke Bros', had been increase Mayor Sootheran- That can done led ville statute- fix the in at not less than 8.00. Tho a s

ought to know that."-Finance

From C. S. Blackwell, Toronto reference to personally usous of Henley Bros .- Finance comm From J. A. McCamus, asking of interest on goverdue taxes claiming the fault rested with

enx collector. Fried From Geo. Vanzant, Pefferi dog tax .- Finance committee. Brantford, enclosing catalog Referred to 1905 Board of We gem A number of citizans,

From D. C. Trew, Llack &

specior enclosing report. -- F CASTORIA Christmas Number, December, 1904.



will look at your ties first, though I think in the end I shall won't mind, madam; it won't take him but a moment Get the paper You see, I just met a friend who told me how Now you must get some one to wait on me right away- to make that fidget- No, that isn't it-that chocolate stuff -oh, fudge-and if I don't write it down at once I'll forget.

tend to divide a salesman with any one ! I want one to wait Thank you. (Writes.) Oh, take them away-I wouldn't wear those things if you Yes, ties Two and a half A..... Well, I can't help gave them to me Flat heels and great big soles! Do I what is marked in the shoes—that's what I wear. They look like a woman with a big sole?..... I should think not. have made a mistake in marking the size-I presume they are Take them away. (To neighbor:) Do you know how long to boil the chocolate-or do you boil it at all?..... You don't Now, I'll tell you exactly what I want Now, I don't know? How annoying!

Patent leather? I didn't tell you to get patent leather. want anything too fancy to wear in the street-and for rainy days; and yet it must be suitable for evening dress-yes, and I don't believe I like it-it's so cold in hot weather and so hot for golf-oh, yes, and to wear on the steamer. I think of in cold weather- Well, whichever way you put it, it's disgoing abroad this summer I could have gone last year just agreeable. Besides, I think it makes the feet look large -not as well as not if I'd said the word that I have to worry about that. And the heels are too high. Well, I like that. (To near-by salesman:) Will you You know, you don't seem to understand what I want ... kindly bring back that man who was waiting on me?.....Why Well, bring me something like this-this person next to me is

did you go off that way in such a rush? I wanted to tell you trying on s that it? I don't like that at all. Oh, no, that's (To salesman waiting on woman neighbor:) Would you horrible. Perfectly awful! They look so big-and there's mind lending me your pencil-and a piece of paper You no arch at all. You see, I have such a high instep All haven't any paper? Then get some, please I am sure you right you can try it on, but I know by looking at it it's miles too large Oh, no, it's not too small-wait till I step on it It's not too small-there Oh, yes, perfectly comfortable,-but take it off quick !..... Well, I couldn't wear a larger size! Get something else. Besides, I don't care for that medium heel-I don't want anything exaggerated, but I must have one thing or the other! It is the strangest thing, you have all manner of pretty shoes in the window, and when you come inside you can't find anything fit to be seen

Floor-walker, that is such a stupid man waiting on mehe doesn't seem to have an idea what I want. Can't you get some one else to wait on me?.....All right.

Two and a half A-and never mind what's marked in the shoe!.....Yes, something in ties, and I don't care what you bring me as long as it is just what I want. (To returning salesman:) No, this ma-gentleman is waiting on me-you didn't seem to know what I wanted......

What is that shoe over there in the case?..... You haven't my size? Well, if that isn't too exasperating! That is the only decent shoe I've seen here, and there you have gone and not got my size!..... I never knew it to fail,

No, I don't care for that-I don't like all that fancy business around there Very youthful-looking? Try it on Very good fit-they look much better now they are on What size are they? Four B? Take it right off!I don't care whether they fit or not-I never wore a four B in all my life, and I'm not going to begin now!..... No, you needn't bring any other size in that style-I am all out of the idea of it now.

Yes, I did have a pair once, but that wasn't my fault. The horrid, deceitful shoe man sold them to me under false pretences. He took and marked them for my size, when they weren't at all-he didn't have my size, you know. Of course I wouldn't have taken them if I had known. Yes, indeed; I consider that he cheated me. It was selling goods under false pretenses; wasn't it? O, I took them mostly because of the shape of the toe. Then my husband didn't like them after all. ... Floor-walker! floor-walker! will you kindly have some one put on my shoe? I can't

wait like this-my husband is home very ill, and I've got to rush right back Well, then, make him hurry. (Discovers woman friend.) Ahem !- ahem ! Man, will you please attract the attention of that lady over there in the boots?..... No, not that one-the one in the badly-fitting jacket-I

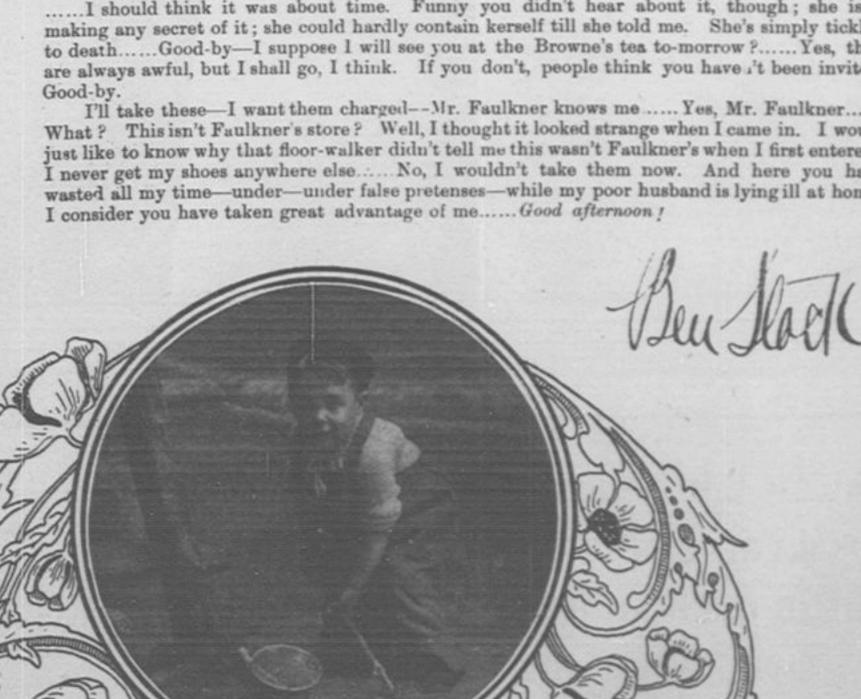
How do you do? What on earth are you doing here?..... Buying boots? I suppose so. Miserable shop isn't it? And such stupid, disobliging salesmen. I don't care if they do hear it-it may do them good

Will? Oh, he's home sick. And cross !..... You know how they are. Get the least little pain we wouldn't notice, and they think they are going to die right off! But this time Will is awfully sick-I told him it was about time he found out what real suffering was. If he had been through what I have !..... To-day is his worst day, so I just started out first thing this morning, and I am not going back till dinner-time, and then only to get dressed to go to the theatre..... No; no-of course not. Will can't go. But it seemed such a shame to lose the tickets-so I am going-with a sort of a brother-in-law of my sister-who lives up in the northern-part of Canada..... No, you have never seen her..... No, you have never seen him Tell

me, how is your husband?.....Indeed, I am so glad-No, I don't care for that at all. Well, I can't tell you what I don't like about it-I just know it doesn't suit me Don't you keep the Ozone shoes?..... Never heard of them? Why, that's very funny. I have a friend who lives out in Spokane-I think it is in Delaware-anyway, I know it is one of those Western States-and I should think if they kept them in a little bit of a place like that, you would have them in a great city like this!..... Well, I suppose I'll have to take these things-they are perfectly horrid-

Say, isn't it great about Marion Gray making such a hit on the stage?...... Has she? Well, I should think so. She's famous. She's had a new kind of health food named after her !.... Of course you know Margaret is engaged ?..... Yes, "at last," that's what I said, too. I should think it was about time. Funny you didn't hear about it, though; she isn't making any secret of it; she could hardly contain kerself till she told me. She's simply tickled to death Good-by-I suppose I will see you at the Browne's tea to-morrow? Yes, they are always awful, but I shall go, I think. If you don't, people think you have i't been invited.

I'll take these-I want them charged--Mr. Faulkner knows me Yes, Mr. Faulkner What? This isn't Faulkner's store? Well, I thought it looked strange when I came in. I would just like to know why that floor-walker didn't tell me this wasn't Faulkner's when I first entered! I never get my shoes anywhere else No, I wouldn't take them now. And here you have wasted all my time-under-under false pretenses-while my poor husband is lying ill at home! I consider you have taken great advantage of me Good afternoon !



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