

The Market
STANDAR

By The Law of Tooth
and Talon

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CHAPTER XVII.—(Cont'd.)

Quickly and quietly, bellows hauled the stunned prisoners out of the room. At a side door of the building motor cars were in waiting and in them the prisoners were rushed to a special railroad coach attached to a train that would take them to the prison. All of them but one.

Nelson found himself separated from his fellows and shunted down a hallway to a small room, bare except a table and two chairs. And in one of those chairs sat his wife. She held in her tear-stained, haggard face as the door opened, then she rushed across the room and flung herself into the convicted man's arms. His hand gently stroked her head, until she had exhausted the fountainhead of tears and was able to look up into his eyes. Then he led her back to her chair and, reaching out for the other for himself, discovered that they were alone.

The guards who had accompanied Nelson had stepped out into the hallway and closed the door behind them, but although neither Nelson nor his wife knew it, invisible ears heard their words and carried them to Chief Milton, sitting in an adjoining room with the receivers of two dictaphone clamped to his ears. Beneath the table the sound-transmitting little instruments were skillfully concealed and the wires which connected them to the receivers hidder from sight beneath the flooring.

Chief Milton had laid a trap to try and learn from Neilson's own mouth the bidding place of the million and a quarter dollars which the Bolshevik Council had confided to his care. But not even that astute and far-seeing man was prepared for the revelation which was to come.

"Don't worry, mother, don't worry," Nelson began, scowling. "I will be all right and you and the children are provided for. I will send you a certain amount every month. I will give you my pension and help to provide for all your needs, while I am still alive. And when you are gone there will be more to take care of all of us for the rest of our days."

"That is just what I want, to tell you about dead," she replied. "I will never break a cent of that money, either, while you are gone, after you're gone. I know its source. That night when you came to me, Lebrune came to me. I overheard every word, as you supposed. I did not notice it at the time. I did not trust him. You have been away from home at night when you met him. You had been living with cross or nervous before. I fear for you, my dearest. I did not know what was wrong. You would not admit it to me, and I could not bear that you were plotting against the country which had given us both shelter and a home and family and privileges we never could have had in the old country. Instead, Charlton had asked her to write him when she wished to see him and he would arrange a meeting place."

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(To be continued.)

Beyond the Pale.
The expression "beyond the pale" meaning "outside the law" or "beyond the limit" owes its origin to the fact that the word "pale" is used in history to denote a circumscribed limit of authority, a definition which dates back to the time of King John.

This monarch divided that part of Ireland which was subject to English rule into twelve counties, and the entire district was known as the "Pale." Inside the "Pale" English law was acknowledged and obeyed, while the land outside was in an almost constant state of uproar and dissension.

For this reason there sprang up a difference to matters being "within the pale"—or managed according to law and order—as contrary to those which were "beyond the pale," or in a disordered condition.

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Porter-House" Steaks.
Many people have attempted to trace the origin of the term "porter-house" steak to a man named Porter, who is supposed to have kept a restaurant in New York.

The real reason for the term was because, in the early part of the last century, there existed in New York a number of public houses where ale and porter were the favorite beverages ordered. These taverns or saloons came to be known as porter-houses.

The proprietor of one of these establishments, on being asked for a particularly tender and appetizing steak, made the experiment of cutting the top off a joint which had been sent for his personal use. The customer was so pleased that he called a day or two later and demanded another of those steaks.

The fame of the tavern and its steak soon spread, and it was not long before epicures throughout the city were asking for porter-house steaks, and butchers, learning the secret of the cut, adopted the term themselves.

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Anything went wrong, said Charlton to his wife, and I laid it aside for you and the children in case I had to leave you. I did not think that anything besides death ever would cause me to leave you. The other money I did not fix so you could get. Deep in my heart I did not want you for the children ever to have to spend a cent of it, for it was tainted, as you say, and I feared that the sorrows of women and the tears of little children—the things which it was intended to buy—would be the sorrows and tears of my children. That is all."

A moment later the door swung open, and Chief Milton confronted them. He crossed the room and upon the shoulders of each of them laid

upon which simple statement of fact all but a quick way of describing what must have been a riot when the Council met," grinned Charlton.

Stella laughed at the recollection that evoked. "Riot is a mild word," she replied. "For a moment I thought the fat was going to swell up and burst. The news was broken by a woman member of the council. Seems like she had been given a cheque for five hundred dollars signed by Lebrune and Neilson weeks ago and hadn't cashed it, or even tried to, until yesterday. There was something funny about that; too, according to her story. The Council had voted to give her the money and she insisted upon getting it at once. That was at a meeting of the council. Neilson tried to put her off until the next day, saying he would cash her cash then, but Lebrune sided with her and she insisted. She gave her to the cuffed man, "you, too, have learned a lesson. Your own conscience will fly you and punish you more for what you have done than will the discipline of the place to which you are going. Some day, and pray God it will not be long, you will have the opportunity, in a measure, to make up for this thing you have done. When that day comes, I shall visit you in your cell and offer you a chance to go on the witness stand for the Government and assist in tearing down the monstrous machine you have helped to build. Will you take it?"

"As far as you, Neilson," he turned to the cuffed man, "you, too, have learned a lesson. Your own conscience will fly you and punish you more for what you have done than will the discipline of the place to which you are going. Some day, and pray

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"Well, Mrs. Peabody went down to the bank on which the cheque was drawn yesterday, and I'll bet the wife was fairly boozing over it, and she could hardly wait for the Coghill to be gathered together before she slipped into her feet and shot off home. Finally the fat fellow got tired of trying to stop her line of talk, and pulled out five bills from his pocket and threw them at her. That stopped her right, as soon as she had counted the money and found it amounted to five hundred dollars."

That seems to be what they are all after—"money," remarked Graham. "He had asked her to write him when she wished to see him and she would arrange a meeting place."

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That is all right, I didn't mean to interrupt."

He and Stella had agreed that they must put aside their personal feelings for a time, that duty must take precedence over love and that it would be most unfair for them to be seen together "out" after the Government had struck with all its might at the Bolsheviks and rooted them out. To meet openly might prove dangerous for the girl if they should be watched, because Charlton feared that spies of the Reds might have learned his identity and the Reds felt sure that death, swift and sudden, would be Stella's portion if the inner Council once suspected that she was betraying them.

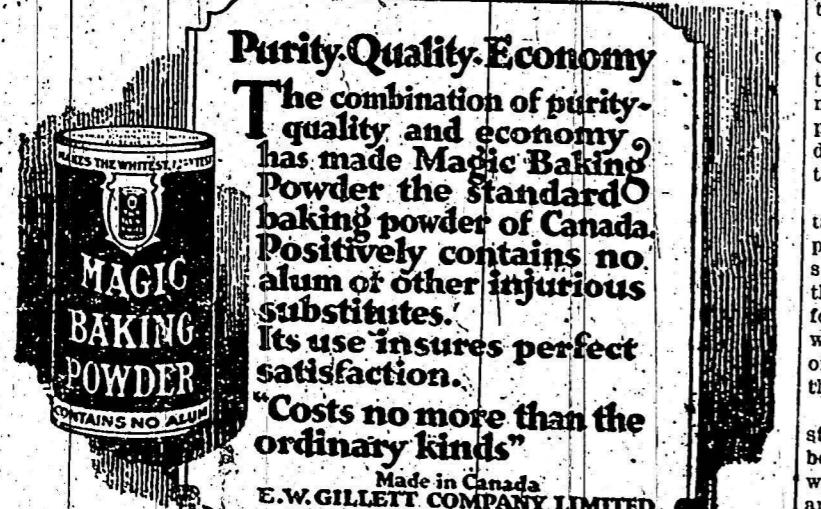
So a new method of meeting and talking without interruption was decided upon. The girl took a taxi to the edge of town and there dismissed it. When the driver had turned the machine around and was on his way back to the city, a big touring car, driven by Alfred Graham, drew up, stopped only long enough for the girl to step on board and was off again, like a shot, to crawl along slowly upon lighted travelled roads, while Stella and Charlton talked. When they had finished Graham would drive them to the little town upon an interurban rail line, where he had a home. There he would be safe.

Stella, you have taught me to be patient, you have taught me as courts and juries and jugs, and iron bars can never slow you down. I have done, I go to prison joyfully to pay the debt road. On its edge, the girl would remorse the wipers that I have paid her. She would take a train back to the station, where Charlton and Graham would receive her again. The latter part of the men and women who duped her into this beliefing that they and I could make a better country than this already is. I will give you a list of the banks in which it is deposited and I will write the orders which will turn every cent of it over to you to do with what you say is best."

"But the monthly cheque which the trust company will turn over to you in my name will be the best that he should hear the entire conversation in case

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What Interests Farm Women?

"Why?" Madge turned astonished eyes upon her aunt. "Because, they aren't fair. I don't pretend to be a beauty, I don't look disheveled and ridiculous all the time. Nobody's going to just seize those snapshots!"

Aunt Kate's steady eyes met the girl's angry ones.

"We are interested chiefly in helping our husbands make a good living on the farm—in order that we can have more of the comforts and luxuries that are now denied the farm family. In nearly every instance, this was the reply to our inquiry. While education, recreation, health and many other topics are of the greatest interest to the farm women, the most absorbing problem in her mind at all times is apparently the problem of helping her husband to make more money so that the farm may be made a better place to live."

We are frequently observed that the farm woman knows more about her husband's business than is the case of the wife of a man in any other occupation. While the city man's wife usually knows but little about her husband's store or factory or office, the country wife knows and understands all the ins and outs of the tasks on the farm; not infrequently helping her husband with these tasks. One of the great compensations in farm life is found in this close fellowship that exists between the farmer and his dependable helpmate. Because this fellowship is not always found in the city home, explains in many cases the steady grind of the divorce courts. The proper relationship between man and wife is always possible in the country while in the city, in most instances, the wife is only remotely interested in the business life that holds her husband during each day. A well-managed home, a healthy family, comfortable and clean living conditions—these are the things that help the husband successfully solve his own problem of making the farm produce the maximum results.

Hot Weather Recipes.

Lemonade—Rub out the juice of one-half dozen lemons and strain the seeds. Do not strain the pulp; this was strained out with the juice. Turn this juice and pulp into a pitcher, add one cup of sugar, stir to dissolve, and then add three pints of cold water. One cup of finely crushed ice, one-half cup of finely chopped mint leaves, strapped from stems. Stir well and serve.

Fruit—Six cucumbers, five oranges. Run out juice and then place in a large bowl and add two quarts of crushed ice, three quarts of water, two and one-half cups of powdered sugar, one small can of crushed pineapples. Stir with a wooden spoon to blend and then add one small bottle of maraschino cherries, cut in tiny bits.

Cherry Ice-Cream—This recipe makes one gallon. Wash one and one-half pounds of cherries and remove the stones. Place in a saucepan and one and one-half pounds of sugar. Cook very slowly until the cherries are soft. Cool and then rub through a coarse sieve.

Place three pints of milk in a saucepan and add one-half cup of cornstarch. Dissolve the starch and bring to a boil. Add yolks of three eggs and one-half cup of sugar. Beat to blend, then beat in very slowly the prepared cherry pulp. Turn into the freezing can and place in the freezer.

Turn the soft fruit into the bowl and mix with the pulp. Add one-half cup of powdered sugar and mix well. Blend the pulp with the soft fruit and mix well. Turn the pulp into the freezing can and place in the freezer.

The Reason—Madge rushed upstairs as if she were storming an enemy—upstairs, across the hall and straight into Aunt Kate's room. "Aunt Kate?" she cried.

"Yes, child?"

"Why don't people like me? I've come to you because I know you'll tell me the truth. Don't try to let me down easy. It's bound to hurt, and I want it over. They don't like me, and you and I both know it. There must be some reason."

"Perhaps it isn't Madge Fowler that they don't like," she cried. "I've been left out of three things in two weeks. That's a proof. I want the reason." Madge, however, had a trait of her own, a trait of which she was fond, and she blushed. "It wasn't Madge Fowler, but one of us traitors, that they treat so badly."

"Well?" she said sharply. "Do you remember the photograph that Marie Henson took of you last summer?"

"The one with my hair tumbling down and my stockings torn by that briar and the other one where I am jumping the brook and loo! all feet? I'm not likely to forget them, Marie gave me the films after I went up in the air over them, but she wouldn't give me her own prints. So there they takes a notion to show them to me. It makes me boil to think of them even in this sense, and "dead" always means a piece of wood of a certain thickness."

"Why?"

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