Every Man For Himself

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CHAPTER XIII.

Phil Kendrick sipped his drink with what he flattered himself was a fine show of unconcern. He even smacked his lips and complimented Mr. Lawson upon the tang of that phosphate mixture he had invented; for it was indeed of fine flavor, quite a delightful beverage.

"I believe you mentioned last night that Miss Lawson had gone in for some kind of newspaper work—was on the staff of the Recorder, if I remember rightly," said Phil with an air of one who makes conversation for the sake of politeness. "I know the sporting editor of that paper and I have heard McAlister spoken of as one of the live and most conscientious editors in the country. His staff means by him. Is—er—Miss Lawson still with the Recorder?"

She was. And very fond of her work. She had been inclined toward literary matters almost since she was old enough to read. She wrote her first verses when she was ten, although if she knew that her dad was giving that away she would box his ears, and Nathaniel Lawson laughed to himself reminiscently.

Two things were plain to Kendrick: Lawson's interest in Old [illegible] centred upon the carriages of the [illegible] feminine—that this high-spirited motherless girl, and her father were very close to each other [illegible] that he knew nothing of her present masquerade as a [illegible] in Ferguson's office. For [illegible] was, as Lawson [illegible] giving new channels [illegible] which this realization [illegible]

[illegible] eager to get away and at [illegible] Lawson had emptied his [illegible] rather hurriedly, refused a second [illegible] an invitation to stay [illegible] outside the grounds [illegible]

[illegible] there at the Ro[illegible] was seen at a time [illegible] in the little [illegible] Chic Lawson, surrounded by [illegible] were papered [illegible] pictures of prizefighters [illegible] others [illegible] was [illegible] Lawson [illegible] Kendrick [illegible] Lawson [illegible] Kendrick [illegible] Lawson [illegible] Kendrick