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The Gates of Hope

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The Beginning of the Story.
Marcia Halsted, secretary to Mrs. Alden, is entrusted with some jewels while her employer goes out to luncheon with Lady Rossiter and her stepmother Lady Rossiter. Marcia puts the jewels in the safe but fails to find the duplicate key. She consults a noted physician who tells her she cannot live longer than six months; the answer is the call of a solicitor to find out what she is heir to. A fortune on condition that she marries before she is twenty-one. Returning to Mrs. Alden's she finds Kempton Rossiter (who is secretly married to Araby) replacing the gems which his step-brother had stolen. Believing him to be the thief, Marcia promises silence if he will marry her within two days. To shield his name and in consideration of release within six months, Kempton consents. At a restaurant Marcia faints and is assisted by three strangers, Araby, Trask, her father who is an artist, and a wealthy young man, Jasper Waldron. After the secret marriage ceremony Rossiter and Marcia go their several ways; her improved mode of living benefits Marcia's health; she attracts the admiration of her new friends and the love of Waldron.

CHAPTER XXII.—(Cont'd.)
Trask was quite in earnest and carefully drew forth a somewhat well-thumbed note book to jot down the appointment.
"I shall point you as 'The Rose Girl,'" he said solemnly, and Audrey Alden broke in unkindly.
"Don't. It reminds me of 'Alexander's Day,' and four pink calico petals stuck on a tin! For goodness sake, think of something really original!"

The orchestra was tuning up. Waldron moved forward. He stooped and lifted Marcia's cloak, laid the fur of it across her slim shoulders. In doing so his hand inadvertently touched her neck.
"Point her just as she is!" he said. Trask looked at her. At Waldron's unceremonious touch the color had leaped to her cheeks; her lips were apart, her eyes misty. Trask's own eyes brightened.
"I will!" he cried. "And when it is finished I shall call it 'Awakening!'"

CHAPTER XXIII.
The rising of the curtain prevented further conversation. At Audrey's imperious gesture Michael Trask remained where he was. Marcia gave more attention to him than she did to the stage. There was something about him that touched as well as amused her. He was such a simple soul, and so unlike anyone she had ever known before.

She noticed that he looked very often at little Mrs. Alden. That little lady seemed to attract as well as amuse her. He was such a simple soul, and so unlike anyone she had ever known before.

Yet, Marcia concluded presently, his interest was not unshared by Audrey. More than once she turned her eyes a trifle furtively to look at him, and in her expression was a mingling of irritation, indulgence and a warmth of tenderness that surprised the girl while yet it made her smile.
She was intrigued. Hitherto she had seen Audrey Alden only in her own home, or among her less Bohemian acquaintances. She realized to-night that there was another side to her; that the real Audrey was a warmer, heartier, more womanly and sweeter person than the gray, kindly-but-coldly who had flitted her way through the busy days of Arliss Marions. The faint suggestion of artificiality left her in her present company; she was her natural self more than ever in consequence, and wholly delightful. Upon the fall of the curtain she turned swiftly to Trask.

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fortable for Araby. We'll wait for you here."
"Awfully good of you." In rising Trask stumbled a little in the darkness passing Mrs. Alden. She put out a quick hand, catching at his steady arm. Marcia saw his eyes for a moment, and, in a slow-dawning comprehension and wonderment, drew in a slow breath before her pursed lips.
"But it's too absurd!" she whispered within herself. "And yet—and yet—I don't know!"

She looked after Trask. He did not stoop quite so much as usual, and there was a boyish eagerness in his eyes. He had scarcely noticed Audrey's saving hand; had not even thanked her. As the door shut upon him the latter stooped to examine the hem of her flimsy gown upon which he had trodden. As she straightened herself her lips were compressed; her eyes unexpressively bright.

"But that man," she declared, temptuously, "is the nicest creature who ever made a nuisance of himself in civilized society! His head's in the clouds all the time!"
She flung a disgusted glance at Waldron.
"What on earth possessed you to ask him to join us?"
He looked so in blank amazement.

"Good Lord! I thought you'd like it! And he's not at all a bad sort. I think he's rather nice," Marcia interjected. Mrs. Alden sniffed, rose, and shook her head. "He's a little bit of a 'Dense'—or whatever you call it—hedgehog—or whatever those things are that grow about under the ground. And at times he's most irritating. Besides—I can't endure men who don't shave!"
Waldron rubbed the top of his head hopelessly. But Marcia smiled. A new understanding had just suddenly been given to her. A certain, rather amazing suspicion was forming in her mind. Somewhat inconspicuously he occurred to her that falling in love may not be entirely without its drawbacks.

She was still smiling in a way that made Waldron in vain desire to kiss her—as she followed the ruffled Mrs. Alden into the corridor.

CHAPTER XXIV.
That night was the real beginning of her new life for Marcia. From then she learned to know more of pleasure and enjoyment than she had ever thought possible. She met with new acquaintances every day; she found new comradeship among people whom she had scarcely known existed before. Within a week she was settled in the flat which Audrey Alden had helped her choose, with her rather than luxurious, but dainty and fresh about it that was new to her. There was a "homeyness" about it, which made it far more desirable than a more elaborate dwelling would have been.

There was plenty of room, not only for themselves, but for a couple of efficient servants and a lady's maid. Again Audrey assisted in the selection, with excellent results. Marcia found that her small motor had a hand-given wheels, while the "housekeeping" gave her mother just enough occupation and not too much fatigue.

In the opinion of both women the arrangement was ideal. Mrs. Halsted had never looked so happy. Her thin cheeks were softly flushed, her eyes bright; the weariness seemed, in a measure, to have left her.
She entertained with a certain measure of enthusiasm, though deep in her heart she was vexed and a little disturbed at the girl's seeming happiness. It was such a change from the crush as much of amusement and movement as possible into her waking hours.

It was unlike Marcia as she had been. In the old days she had been very content with a book and an occasional box of chocolates at an evening—or had appeared so. A "special" supper or tea had given her pleasure; to dine out, occasionally, with Mrs. Alden, had been an event.

But she had completely changed. She was eager to go about everywhere, to see everything, to miss nothing. She spent long evenings shopping and lunching, afternoons visiting, evenings at the theatre or on the river as the summer closed in, warm and alluring. It was as though she could not find enough of novelty to please her, enough to do to fill in the days.

She was scarcely conscious of it herself. She was vaguely aware that at the back of her every thought there was something that drove her to make the most of every golden day, every moment. It was not until she remembered the sentence that had been passed upon her. In the whirl of excitement which now was hers she found it easier and easier to forget; to give herself up entirely to the present.

Still something urged her always to make the most of this wonderful today of hers. She found it easy with Araby, Audrey and Jasper Waldron to help her. She knew of old, shabby house. She kept her promise of sitting to Trask for her portrait, and, to her amusement and his daughter's surprise, he concentrated upon it with unusual intensity.

The result was, as Araby declared, surprisingly satisfactory. There was even, she further conceded, a touch of genius in the way her father had handled the very simplicity of his subject.
(To be continued.)



Women's Sphere

How Can I Overcome Bashfulness?

One of my girl readers wrote me recently that she had overcome a great deal of her bashfulness by paying more attention to her clothes and appearance. She found that if she dressed with care she had more confidence in herself trying. Take comfort, too, in the fact that you will outgrow some of your bashfulness, but make your mind not to let anything interfere with your meeting people. Do not avoid people, but mingle with them whenever possible. Take part in the things that are happening in your neighborhood. Go to church and to Sunday school, and if asked to serve on a committee do not refuse, but do what you can to make the work of the committee a success. You can always forget yourself in trying to do things for others. Read the experience of this girl. I am sure you will find it helpful.

"It seems that half the girls who seek advice are asking how to overcome self-consciousness. A lot of us know just how they feel, for self-consciousness is that miserable feeling which comes when you are in company, making you tongue-tied and awkward. I am not offering a positive cure for this trouble, but I am going to tell you of a few things that I have found helpful. People feel better if they know they are looking well. One does not need expensive clothes, but something appropriate and becoming. Well-cared-for shoes, stockings and neckwear count a lot. See that your shoes are not run down at the heels, nor your gloves soiled.

"While you are dressing, dress carefully. No one can feel perfectly at ease who has dressed too hurriedly. If you feel that she is coming to pieces, if your hair is slippery, fasten a piece of it, but not too tightly. It also pays to be particular about your finger-nails, for nothing is more disconcerting than to discover dirty nails after it is too late to attend to them. Having made a careful toilet, avoid fussing with your hair, picking at your face, playing with your necktie or drumming your fingers, for it is annoying to others and betrays your nervousness.

"Practice good manners. Try to be natural as at the same time be as nice as you can to every one all of the time. Think of nice things to say to people and say them even if you think it will kill you. It won't. If you don't talk very brilliantly, try being a good listener. Be sympathetic and attentive. Find out what other people's ideas are. Be interested in everybody and you will find them interested in you. Go out of your way to please them. Smile. Avoid cultivating the little mannerisms of other people, for what is natural for them is not natural for you. When you meet strangers make yourself believe that you like them. By liking them you can make them like you.

"Study yourself first, be sure of yourself, but most of all study other people so hard that you won't have time to think of yourself. Therein, I think, lies the secret of a charming personality."

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Happy Suggestion for Uncle.

Little Spencer let no grass grow under his feet, when uncle came for a visit, before rushing up with this: "Uncle, make a noise like a frog."
"Why?" asked the old man.
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ENGLISH RULES WIRELESS ETHER WAVES

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Canadian Operator Comments Upon Effect on International Understanding.

Great efforts have been made by international radio conventions to overcome the language difficulty in wireless communication. By a system of authorized abbreviations a provision has been made for the expansion of most of the common phrases incidental to the transmission of a radiogram, and it is not only possible but easy for operators in ships of different nationalities to carry on intelligent routine conversations. And they do. But, rules and regulations, notwithstanding, wireless operators are human, and frequently the abbreviations of the "Q list" are embellished, if they are not displaced, by an expression in the mother tongue. Thus it happens that off the German coast one may hear an occasional "bitte," off France an "s.v.p." or a "merci," and, on the oceans of the world, a "please."

Yes, on the oceans of the world—the Atlantic, the Pacific, and the Indian oceans—it is English that prevails. Whether one be in the Java Sea or the Yellow Sea, the North Sea, or the Gulf of Mexico, it is "g.m." for "good morning," "g.n." for "good night," "n.m." for "no more," "o.m." for "old man," and a score of other unauthorized abbreviations stand for easily recognized English phrases. Nothing but custom ordains that a Japanese operator shall talk to a Swede in English. The regulations have a leaning towards French, in fact, and "a." (tous renseignements), "de," and "a." are favored with official sanction; they are used, but never extended. If a Spanish operator wishes to ask a Chinese coast station about weather conditions, he usually does it in English, and is sure of being understood.

Unconscious Propaganda.

Theoretically, the transmission of wireless messages is independent of language considerations; actually some colloquial contingencies that arise. Recently the captain of a Japanese freighter, passing near an American artillery practice range of the North Pacific coast, heard a heavy shell whistle overhead. Soon his wireless began to splutter: "Why for you try to sink my ship? Has the honorable United States declared war on Japan? Captain says he peaceful citizen."

America's agency in the spread of English by radio accounts for much. The average American operator is as good as the average of any other country, but on the point of language he is uncompromisingly, brutally "English" in his attitude. English is his language, and whether he be on a ship or coast station those who desire to parley with him must know his idiom.

It is not necessary for Britain, as it seemed to be for Germany, to spread her "culture" according to plan. With the English language goes the English cast of mind. The words we use guide our thoughts into channels that are as truly national as are the words themselves. One cannot think in English without thinking, to some extent, as an Englishman would think. And so, as English is spread in wireless, its users are inadvertent propagandists towards international understanding.

Motor Vehicles for China.

China, with 25,000 miles of waterways, should be an excellent market for marine motors. Many of them are now in use in South China. But there is the disadvantage that narrow canals and creeks do not offer much opportunity for speed.

Three-fourths of the motor cars now used in this country are made in North America. In cross-country journeys where there are no roads—for China has hardly any roads worthy of the name—they have shown what American machines can do under circumstances which put any machine to the severest test.

Automobiles are already recognized in China as a necessity in cities, for suburban and interurban communication, and for connecting railways with waterways. A great many chassis are imported, for which the bodies are made by Chinese manufacturers. Possession of an automobile gives exceptional prestige, and the official or business man who owns a high-powered, richly appointed car is greatly respected. Electrical fittings and ornate features of practical usefulness make a strong appeal.

Taxicabs are plentiful in Peking. It is thought that the fondness of the veldop a good market for motorcycles; Chinese for bicycle riding may debut, where they are concerned, lack of roads is a difficulty.

But Not Vice Versa.

When little Percival arrived at school on the opening day, he carried the following note to the teacher:

"Dey Teacher: Our sweet little Percival is a very delicate, nervous child, and if he is naughty—and he is likely to be naughty at times—just punish the boy next to him, and that will frighten him so he'll be good."

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