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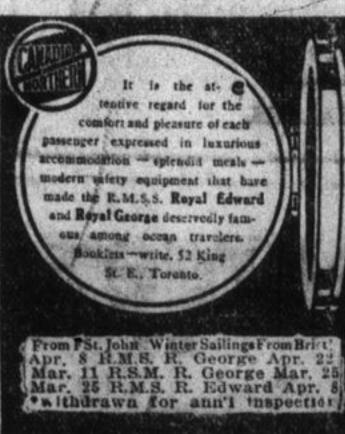
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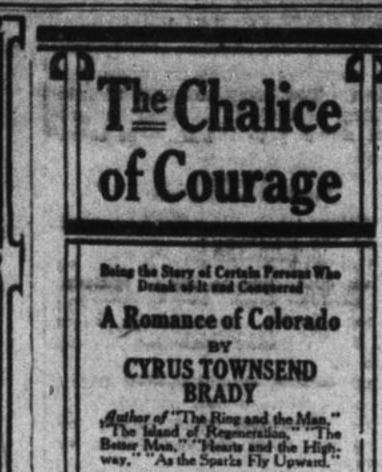
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(Copyright, 1911, by W. G. Chapman.) CHAPTER I.—Edith Maitland, a frank, free and unspolled young Philadelphia girl, is taken to the Colorado mountains by her uncle. Robert Maitland. James Armstrong, Maitland's protege, falls in

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CHAPTER IL-His persistent woolng Armstrong goes east on business without a definite answer.

of letters which he says were found on the dead woman's body. She reads the even your mind need not stagnate."
letters and at Kirkby's request keeps "I have looked at your books ;

CHAPTER V.-While Enid is bathing his glance. bear appears on the bank and is about to plunge into the water to attack the girl when a shot rings out and the ani-mal is killed by a strange man.

CHA. ER VI.-Enid is caught in storm , aich wipes out her party's camp ured. The strange man who shot the bear finds her unconscious and carries CHAPTER VII.-Members of the camp-ng party realizing that Enid is lost in

CHAPTER VIII. No trace of her is father. James Armstrong is asking the do my share." father for Enid's hand when the telegram arrives expressing the bellef that girl is dead. Armstrong says he will find her, and Maitland agrees to their mar-

CHAPTER IX .- Enid regains conscious rescued her from the bear, and he outdoor work dresses her foot which had been severely do my part." the hut of the man who had

CHAPTER X.-The girl spends a fairly next room a restless one as he lives over days that are gone. He has some secret

CHAPTER XI.-Morning finds Enid re-freshed and ready for the substantial breakfast the man has prepared for her. CHAPTER XII.—Her rescuer goes in supper?' search of Enid's party, but returns at "You nightfall alone and unsuccessful. In his absence she discovers books which show searching for me here?"

foot is better and the mountain trails passable, or permit her companion leave her slone for a week while he goes in search of help. She decides to have him remain with her.

"It must be thought of," urged the man. "You don't understand. It is either that or spend the winter here with me."

The woman looked at him steadily And what have I to fear from you?" she asked.

"Nothing, nothing, as God is my witness," protested the other: "but the world?"

"The world," said the woman reflectively. "I don't mean to say that it means nothing to me, but it has cause enough for what it would fain say now." She came to her decision swiftly. "There is no help for it," she continued, "we are marooned"-she smiled faintly as she used the old word of tropic island and southern sea-"together. You have shown me that you are a man and a gentleman. In God and you I put my trust. When my foot gets well, if you can teach me to walk on snow shoes and it is possible to get through the passes, we will try to get back; if not, we must

"The decision is yours." said the man, "and yet I feel that I ought to "-word nov ct tuo trioq

"I see all that you see," she interrupted. "I know what is in your mind. It is entirely clear to me. We can do nothing else." "So be it. You need have no appre

hension as to your material comfort; have lived in these mountains for a long time. I am prepared for any emergency. I pass my time in the summer getting ready for the winter. There is a cave, or recess rather, behind the house which, as you see, is



Level at the state of the second

"Everything," was the prompt

"Then I shall not suffer." "Are you that wonder of wenders. asked the man, smiting lightly, "an educated woman who knows how to

"It is a tradition in Philadelphia answered the girl, "that her daughters should be expert needlewomen." "Oh, you are from Philadelphia." "Yes, and you?"

She threw the question at him so deftly and so quickly that she caught him unaware and off his guard a second time within the hour.

"Baltimore," he answered before he thought, and then bit his tip. He had determined to vouchsafe her no information regarding himself, and here she had surprised him into an admission in the first blush of their acquaintance, and she knew that she had triumphed for she smiled in recognition

She tried another tack. "Mr. Newbold," she began at a ven ture, and as it was five years since he had heard that name, his surprise at her knowledge, which after all was very simple, beirayed him a third time. "We are like stories I have read, people who have been cast away

CHAPTER III.—Enid hears the story of a mining engineer. Newbold, whose wife fell off a cliff and was so seriously hurt that he was compelled to shoot her to prevent her being eaten by wolves while he went for help.

On desert islands and—"

"Yes," said the man, "but no cast-aways that I have ever read of have been so bountifully provided with everything necessary to the comfort of erything necessary to the comfort of CHAPTER IV. Kirkby, the old guide life as we are. I told you I lacked who tells the story, gives Enid a package nothing for your material welfare, and

> ready," said the woman, answering This was where she had found his

name, he realized. "You will have this room for your own use and I will take the other for mine," he continued.

"I am loath to dispossess you." "I shall be quite comfortable there and this shall be your room exclusive ly except when you bid me enter, as when I bring you your meals. I shall the storm institute a frantic search for hold it inviolate."

"But," said the woman, "there mus be an equal division of labor. I mus

"There isn't much to do in the wir ter except to take care of the burro keep up the fire and prepare what we "I am afraid I should be unequal to

outdoor work, but in the rest I must He recognized at once that idlenes: would be irksome.

"So you shall," he assented heartily "when your foot is well enough make you an efficient member of our little society." "Thank you, and now-"

"Is there anything else before I "You think there is no hope of the

The man shook his head. "If James Armstrong had been the party," she said reflectively, "I a sure he would never have given up.

"And who is James Armstrong, ma I ask?" burst forth the other bluntly "Why he-I-be is a friend of m; uncle and an-acquaintance of m

"Oh," said the man shortly an gloomily, as he turned away. Enid Maitland had been very brave

in his presence, but when he went out she put her head down on her arms on the table and cried softly to her self. Was ever a woman in such predicament, thrown into the arms a man who had established every con ceivable claim upon her gratitude forced to live with him shut up in two-room log cabin upon a lonely mountain range, surrounded by lofty and inaccessible peaks, pierced by ter rific gorges soon to be impassable from the snows? She had read many stories of castaways, from Charles Reade's famous "Foul Play" down to more modern instances, but in those cases there had always been an island comparatively large over which to reign with privacy, seclusion, opportunity for withdrawal; bright heavens. balmy breezes, idyllic conditions. Here were two uplifted from the earth upon a sky-piercing mountain. They would have had more range of action and more liberty of motion if they

had been upon a derelict in the ocean And she realized at the same time hat in all those stories the two cast ways always loved each other. Would t be so with them? Was it so? An gain the hot fame within outvied the re of the hearth as the blood rushed the smooth surface of her cheel

What would her father say if h ould know her position, what would e wo.ld say, and above all whi ould Armstrong say. It cannot be mied that her thoughts were terri y and overwhelmingly dismayed

There is only so much energy in be human body. A few people have an abundance, but more have not enough. Hence the necessity of conserving vitality.

If wasted by mode of living, disease or worry there must be a reck oning, and trouble is sure to come It may be headaches and weak, ashing eyes; it may be nervous indigestion, or it may be merely lack of energy and ambition, and feelings of fatigue or helplessness. Of course sooner or later exhaustion of the aerves leads to prostration, paralysis or locomotor ataxia, but there is no need to let the trouble develop that

warm for two or three winters; I have jed nerve cells the energy they have an ample supply of provision and lost. It will take some effort on clothing for my own needs. You will your part to give up worry and anxneed something warmer than that you lety, but you should realize your ser- an air of interest, "I'll be there next lous condition. Rest and use this Sunday, you bet. I've been lyin' great food cure and you are bound for that kid for three weeks, and to improve in health and vigor. never knew where to find him."

and yet that despair was not without a certain relief. No man had ever so interested her as this one. What was the mystery of his life, why was he there, what had he meant when he had blessed the idie impulse that had sent her into his arms?

Her heart throbbed again. She lifted her face from her hands and dried Cakes her tears, a warm glow stole over her and once again not altogether from the fire. Who and what was this man? Who was that woman whose picture he had taken from her? Well she would have time to find out. And meantime the world outside could think and do what it pleased. sat staring into the fire light, seeing pictures there, dreaming dreams. She was as lovely as an angel to the man when he came back into the room.

## CHAPTER XIV.

The Woman's Heart. That upper earth on which they lived was covered with a thick blanket of snow. The lakes and pools were frozen from shore to shore. The mountain brooks, if they flowed at all, ran under thick arches of ice. The deepest canons were well nigh impassible from huge drifts that sometimes almost rose level with the tops of the walls. In every sheltered spot great banks of white were massed. spreading branches of the tall pine trees in the valleys drooped under heavy burdens of snow. Only here and there sharp gaunt peaks were swept clean by the flerce winter winds and thrust themselves upward in icy air, naked and bare. The cold was polar in its bitter intensity.

The little shelf or plateau jutting out from the mountain side upon which the lonely cabin stood was sheltered from the prevailing winds, but the house itself was almost covered with the drifts. The constant fire roaring up the huge stone chimney had melted some of the snow at the top and it had run down the slanting roof and formed huge icicles on what had been the eaves of the house. The man had cut away the drifts from doors and windows for light and lib-

erty. At first every stormy night | would fill his laborious clearings with drifting snow, but as it became packed down and frozen solld he was able to keep his various ways open without a great deal of difficulty. A little work every morning and evening suf-

Every day he had to go down the mountain stairway to the bottom of the pocket to feed and water the burros. What was a quick and simple task in milder, warmer seasons sometimes took him a half a day under the present rigorous conditions. And the woman never saw him start out in the storm without a sinking heart and grave apprehension. On his return to the cabin half frozen, almost spent and exhausted, she ever welcomed him with eager gratitude and satisfaction which would shine in her eyes, throb in her heart and tremble upon her lips, control it as she might. And he thought it was well worth all the trouble and hardships of his task to be so greeted when he came back to her. Winter had set in unusually early

and with unprecedented severity. Any kind of winter in the mountains would have amazed the girl, but even the man with his larger experience declared he had never before known such sharp and sudden cold, or such deep and lasting snows. His daily records had never shown such low temperatures nor had his observation ever noted such wild and furious storms as raged then and there. seemed as if Nature were in a con spiracy to seal up the mountains and all they contained, to make ingress

and egress alike impossible. A month had elapsed and Enid's foot was now quite well. The man had managed to sew up her boot where the knife had cut it and although the job was a clumsy one the result was a usable shoe. It is astonishing the comfort she took when she first put it on and discarded for good the shapeless woolen stocking which had covered the clumsy bandage happily no longer necessary. Although the torn and braised member had healed and she could use it with care, her foot was still very tender and capable of sustaining no violent or long continued strain. Of necessity she had been largely confined to the house, but whenever it had been possible he had wrapped her in his great bear skin coat and had helped her out to the edge of the cliff for a breath of fresh air. Sometimes he would leave her

there alone, would perhaps have left her alone there always had she not imperiously required his company. Insensibly she had acquired the habit-not a difficult one for a woman to fall into-of taking the lead in the small affairs of their circumscribed existence, and he had acquiesced in her dominance without hesitation or remonstrance. It was she who ordered their daily walk and conversation. Her wishes were consulted about everything; to be sure no great range of choice was allowed them, of liberty of action or freedom in the constraints with which nature bound them, but whenever there was any selection she made it.

(To be continued.)

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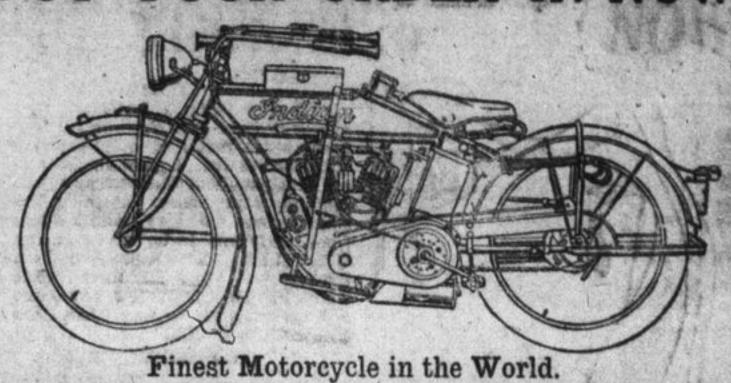
'Tommy," said a young lady visitat his home, "why not come to our Sabbath school? Several of your l'ttle friends have joined us lately.

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