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THE LESSON OF LIFE

(Continued.)

But Bat interested him. In the New Hampshire hills Perdue had a sister whom he remembered best when she had been of Bat's present age. He compared the boarding-house child's life with the life his sister had known upon the farm.

There were no advantages in the life Bat led. She should have been at school, he reflected, should have been playing in the open. Instead, she dusted, marketed with uncanny shrewdness, and was in other ways busy by the boarding-house affairs through the long days. In the evenings she watched the flirtations of the younger boarders, listened to their rag-time tunes and songs, gazed and hearkened while the other boarders gossiped and often lapsed vulgarly over cards.

He had been at the boarding-house a year when, one evening, he took some work home from the office.

There was much figuring to do in connection with this work, and he was to have extra pay for doing it. As he looked it over he saw that he could make much better progress with it if he could get some one to do the many small additions which occurred in it and call off the totals to him as he needed them. There would be a great deal of this extra work to do, and he could afford to pay a little for assistance.

At once he thought of Bat. He believed that she could help him well enough, and would do it for a small price. Also, as he regarded her, and observed the other boarders and the vast vulgarities, a feeling of responsibility stirred him—vague, impersonal, such as a chance wayfarer might feel on seeing some strange toddler threatened by the feet of horses.

He asked her if she would like to help him with the work. Her expression showed at once that the very thought of giving up the evenings in the parlor was distressing to her, and he did not blame her, for these were the only bright spots in her life; but when she reflected on the sum—a very small one—which he offered her in payment, she yielded, saying eagerly: "Hurrah, boys! I could get a sailor hat with that. I have never had a sailor hat."

Perdue's was a large room, pleasantly situated over some rather well kept back yards.

Besides, the folding-beds and other commonplaces, there was a large drawing-table, covered with his ambitious, experimental plans. These dealt with sky-scrapers, palaces and other ornate structures, although Perdue had, as yet, made real working drawings for nothing more elaborate than some North River coal-pockets. Bat was fascinated by the litter, and demanded explanation of blue-prints, tracing paper, T-squares, and compasses. He was amazed to find what comfort lay in satisfying her insistent curiosities.

As they settled to their work, Perdue heard with satisfaction the faint pink-pink of a banjo which came

from a rear window across the yards.

Since the summer had made it pleasant to keep his window open, the pink-pink had, before this, been annoyingly reminiscent of the days at home when he had known young folks it had made him hungry for his old friends and the hills. Now, with the big-eyed little girl across the table from him, full of interest in everything he said, it simply formed an agreeable accompaniment to a greater feeling of contentment than he had known before during all his lonely life away from home in boarding-houses.

In New York he had no friends. There are tens of thousands of young men boarding in New York who have no friends, and there is nothing much more pitiful than their friendlessness, although they do not know it. But now, with Bat there, the pink-pink helped Perdue to work and smile pleasantly above his task. Which was very, very strange, of course.

He settled the big-eyed little girl at one side of the table with a pad of paper and a pencil, and took his own place at the other side.

Her enthusiasm over the sailor hat in prospect pleased him greatly, although it interfered somewhat with their joint work. It warmed his heart with a large feeling that he was doing good—that he had suddenly become important. It was rather lordly to be able to bestow such pleasures on another human being, even though she was a mere girl in a boarding-house.

She spoke twenty times about the hat in ten minutes. He had never guessed that a sailor hat could mean so much to any one.

After he had explained the work to her, he called off the first figures, which were simple.

"Ten," he said, and she scratched upon her pad. "Fifteen, forty-six, fourteen, six."

Almost as soon as he had called the "six," he had written the total, "ninety-one," upon the sheet. If all the sums involved were to be as simple as this first one he would not really need help. He could do them in his head as he went along. But he looked forward to more complicated problems, presently—columns with many fractions in them.

He was a bit surprised when he found that Bat did not announce the total until after he had written it. He glanced at her and saw that her face was screwed up into painful knots, and that she nervously wet her pencil at her lips. He also had time—plenty of it—for the reflection that she looked astonishingly pretty under the white glow from the lamp.

"Ninety-one," said Bat.

Her pencil was slower than his mind. He began to wonder whether she really would save time for him, and whether employing her would not be a waste of money.

"Right," said he.

Bat looked up, smiling.

"I shall get a red one," she said dreamily.

(To Be Continued.)

A BRAVE NURSE

LOSES TO CUPID

Fort William, Oct. 21—After winning her fight for the life of William Summers, locomotive fireman, who was frightfully injured in the C.P.R. wreck at Cartier, about 200 miles east of here last Saturday Miss Blanche Perry, a trained nurse, last night lost in a sharp encounter with cupid.

Having paid a pre-nuptial visit to her former home in Yarmouth N. S., Miss Perry was a passenger for Fort William on the express train which collided head on with an eastbound freight. An engineer and fireman were killed outright and Summers was so badly injured that it was feared he could not survive an hour.

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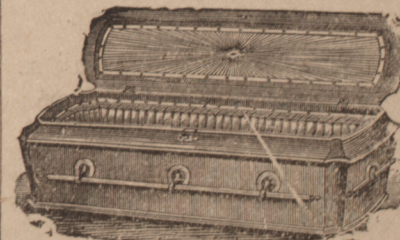
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