A COMPLETERY



She had never loved Anson Burdett soil. Below the boxes are planted In a true sense, and such a thing as becoming his wife had never entered came upon him, there was born in the nature of Lella Raleigh pity, mingled

mother and sisters. "I shall make any sacrifice necessary as a friend," she told them. "If poor Anson is to go through life helpless, blind, and asks me to share his troubles I will marry him at his bidding."

with mistaken duty, that amazed her

"Lella, you talk wild!" scolded her sister, Adelaide. "You never really cared for Anson. He has no claim upon you. It is sheer folly."

"But I feel so sorry for him," said Leila. "He certainly paid me more attention than he did to other girls."

"And out of an impulse of sympathy you would tie yourself to a man unable to make even a living? Leila, this is all sentiment," declared her mother.

Nothing more was said at the time, but Mrs. Raleigh knew that Leila was a person who always acted upon her convictions, though neither romantic nor heroic. Intensely loyal to her friends, sympathetic and tender-hearted, Leila had exaggerated her sense of duty towards a man who had never spoken to her one word of love. A strange condition of affairs had come Rossmore to which nearly every young been started and mainly supported by Wilton Porter, who had been left quite a fortune. Burdett, too, was a member, and one day, while practicing with the Indian club, Porter lost his grasp on one of them, and it whirled through the air with terrific force. Burdett stood directly in the path of the flying missile. It landed squarely a shot and the shocked and horrified Porter went through twenty-four hours of crushing anxiety, remaining at the hospital whither Burdett was conveyed until the physician assured him that the patient would live. Porter's heart sank, however, as he was told the Allance Floral company. Shipthat it looked as though the nerves of the eyes had been paralyzed and An-

son Burdett might be blind for life. A high caliber, sensitive young man, all the joy of life seemed to have departed for Porter. He gave up all of his time to the care of Burdett.

"Hopelessly blind, perhaps," reported an expert oculist, "although the case is of a variety that has seen some remarkable cures, but through time alone.

In the meantime Porter had become that there was any mutual affection United States army. Miss Wood, who

(Continued from Page 1.) of architecture of its kind. The walls are cemented up for several feet, and over ten tons of glass went into the building. Inside may be found plants and flowers of every kind in profusion. Hardly an inch

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of space is wasted. Even the paths between the flower boxes are lined with potted plants, some full grown, others beginning to penetrate the

mushrooms-a new venture in Alliance, although Mr. Tatro has had reher thoughts, yet, when misfortune markable success in other places with them.

> Just now another greenhouse is in process of erection-a more or less temporary structure, which will be used as a propagating house. The avrage man or woman who patronizes a florist doesn't realize that every plant must be planted and transplanted two or three times; that the flowers he is buying today were planned for over a year ago. Preparations are constantly being made to care for future business. Just now thousands of lilies are being grown for Christmas and Easter use. It's a revelation to go through the

greenhouse. There are tulips from Holland, and the bulbs and plants of dozens of other varieties. There is a glorious collection of chrysanthemums in almost every known color. The carnation collection is especially beautiful. We saw for the first time a yellow carnation. Mr. Tatro has just nineteen of these plants, and wouldn't part with one of them for the world, although he sells the flowers at the regular price. There are over five thousand carnations at the greenhouse now, and three thousand about. There was an athletic club in more will be put in the new greenhouse when it is completed. The vaman in the town belonged. It had rieties include White Enchantress, Pink Enchantress, Yellow Prince, Mrs. C. W. Ward and others.

> There are thirty thousand bulbs at the greenhouse, narcissus, daffodil, tulip and hyacinth, all of which will be forced so they will be ready for spring.

Another side of the business is the growing of radishes, lettuce, tomabetween his eyes, he went down like toes and other vegetables for table consumption. Radishes and lettuce are sown every few days. There are over four hundred plants of head lettuce now in the hotbeds.

Of course, it is apparent that Alliance cannot use the entire output of ments are made to a good many towns in this section of the state, and a considerable businets has been built up. However, those who live in the city are always given the first consideration. The company is primarily an Alliance concern, and it is Mr T.atro's desire that it serve Alliance people before all others.

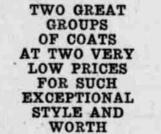
The following from the Nebraska State Journal concerns a former Alliance resident: "Miss Wilma Wood, acquainted with Lella Raleigh. From former state university student, who the first he was attracted by her and, is engaged in reconstruction work, although he knew that she and Bur- has received special recommendation dett were friendly, he never suspected from the surgeon general of the

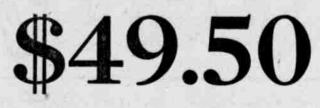


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"Coat sales have come and gone and if such a coat sale as this would go on forever there would be but one coat house in Alliance," exclaimed an enthusiastic little woman in atten-

between them. before entering Reed college for

Leila kept secret even from her was a tacit understanding between them that some day they would marry. ed in Burdett. A position had been offered by a manufacturing concern out of sympathy for his affliction, where he could answer calls at a telephone. "I don't have to drudge," he told Leila, audaciously. "Porter has plenty of money and is acting princely about it. He took away my sight-let him pay for it."

One day Burdett called upon Lella and asked her to marry him. He told her that he had an opportunity to secure a pretty little farm in Florida, where they could enjoy life without anxiety. He asked her to think it over and give her answer the next day. That same afternoon Wilbur Porter appeared and laid his heart at her feet.

"It is too late," said Leila simply, and after the disappointed suitor had gone away she hurried to her room and wept all the long night, though she scarcely kenw why. Burdett called upon her the next morning, irrationally eager and excited.

"We must get married at once, Lella," he said. "See," and he drew a packet of bank bills from his pocket. "There is five thousand dollars, and all ours. I am going to buy the farm at once and-'

"Why where did you get all that money?" inquired Leila.

"From Porter. I went to him last evening and told him what I wanted. and he said he would do anything to make me comfortable and happy with you.'

"But you can't do any work on a farm," she said.

"Oh, yes, I can. Lella, I'm going to tell you a secret. I have been able to see for over a month. I just pretended not to since then, to work this scheme on Porter"

She slood facing him, trembling from hand to foot. He fairly shriveled as she denounced his petty meanness, as she told him that if he did not at once return the money to Porter she would expose him to the world. Then she left him and he, even more despicable than she had dreamed, thinking more of the money than Berself, disappeared that same day with his ill-gotten gains.

The truth came out, as it was bound to, and after a while Wilbur Porter renewed his appeal for Leila's love. It had already been his-longer before than he realized.

training in reconstruction work, was mother and sisters that, while she was teaching physical education at the not as yet engaged to Burdett, there University of Montana at Missoula. is mentioned by a Missoula paper as one of two nurses from there to re-She, however, had become disappoint- ceive praise. 'The local nurses named,' says the account, 'are Miss Ellen Hemmick and Miss Wilma Wood, both of whom were assigned to Wort Des Moines, Iowa, after completing their training. Not only did the Montana women furnished from Reed college rank high from physical and educational standpoints, but also from that of personality, the surgeon-general declares."



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