

# FRAN

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SYNOPSIS.

Fran arrives at Hamilton Gregory's home in Littleburg, but finds him absent. She repairs thither in search of him...



"I refuse!" cried Gregory, again.

"Of course I refuse." "Very well," said Abbott, turning. "But what are you going to do?"

the piano, and began to play softly.

"Grace you are everything." She laughed. "Everything! At the word of an Abbott Ashton, a disgraced school-teacher, you make me less than nothing!"

### CHAPTER XIX.

The First Victory.

When Grace re-entered the parlor, to find Hamilton Gregory alone, her eyes were full of reproach without tenderness.

### CHAPTER XX.

The Enemy Triumphant.

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"Grace calmly waited for the other to lapse into uncertain silence, then said, 'This note tells me definitely that I am offered another position, but you tell me nothing. It was I who sent Mr. Clinton to Springfield to look into the private record of that Fran.'"

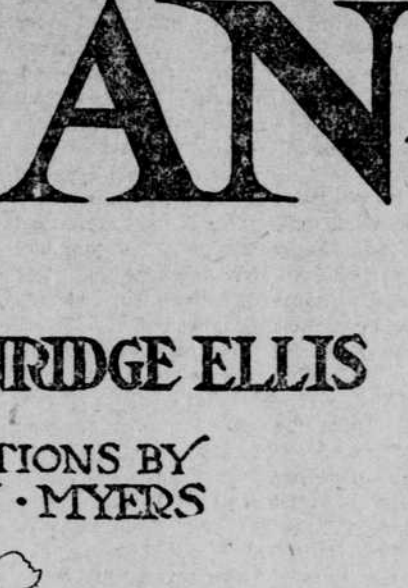
me before you go away—just those three words before I sink back into my lonely despair. In this life—tell me, then, that you love me—let me hear those words from your beautiful lips—"

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take her away. Then she will be gone.

"Grace returned with a somber look, 'So Fran is to have my place?'" "Gregory interposed passionately, 'It is because I love you.'"

"I love you, Grace—I adore you, beautiful darling—don't you see you must go away because you are so inexpressibly precious to me?"

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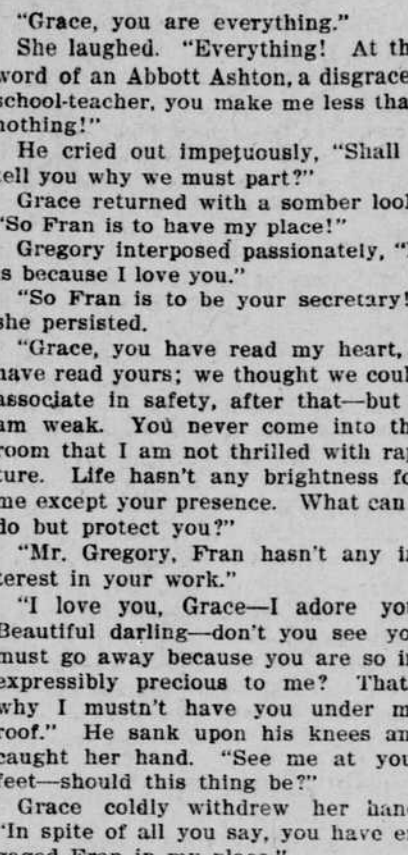
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"Then send Fran away, when you send me away." "Oh, my God, if I could!" he exclaimed, starting up wildly.

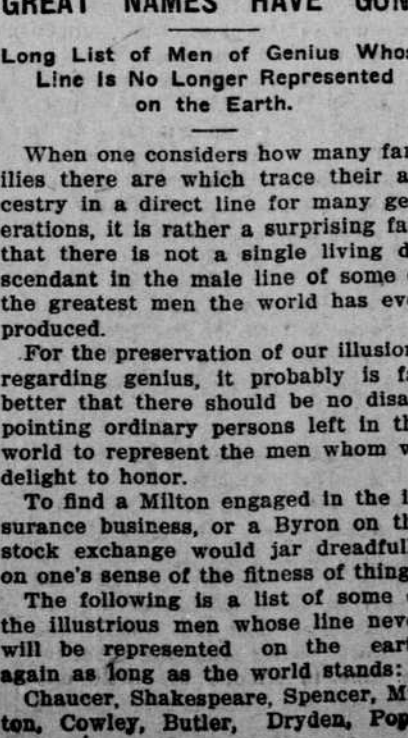
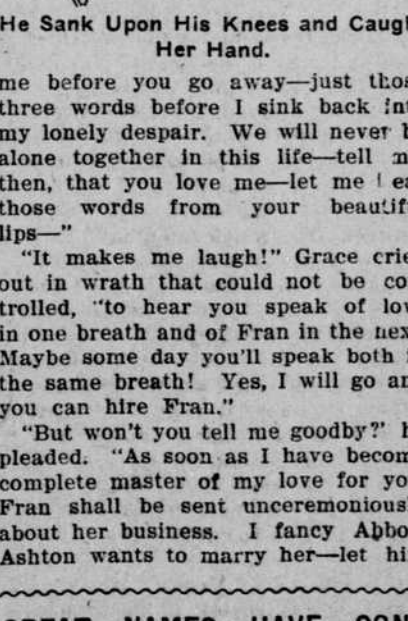
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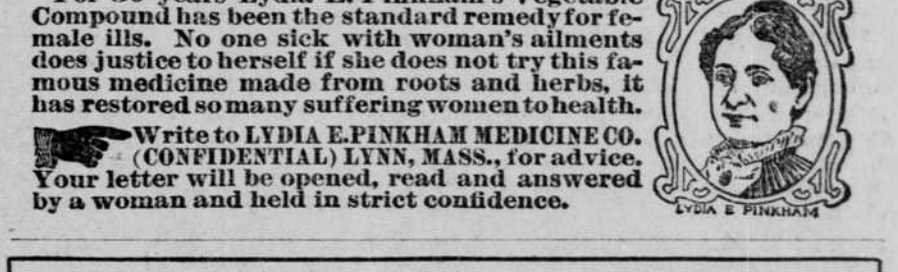


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