

DAYTON, MIAME, HUDSON, RAICYCLE AND EXCEL-SIOR BICYCLES.

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## LOVE VS. BUSINESS

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Joan felt strangely insignificant as she entered the office of Weston & Sons on her first day of work. She timidly glanced around and saw at the desk, which seemed, by the way, to be miles away, a middle-aged man writing diligently. She coughed discreetly. The man kept on writing, however, paying no attention to the newcomer.

Joan remembered one of the rules of her business course. It seemed to stand before her now in blazing letters, "Be respectfully self-possessed." Oh, the futility of all those years of learning! How often had she practiced that dignified but demure walk to her employer's desk to be afraid now, at the crucial moment.

But afraid she was, and without a backward glance she rushed out of the office directly into a human figure, just | who or what she could not discern, and only heard faintly some apparent apologies.

A few seconds later Walter Curtis entered his uncle's presence.

"Well, uncle," he greeted him with a questioning look : "rather unusual, isn't it, for you to so frighten your secretary that she rushes blindly from you? I don't think it is funny," he added, as he saw his ancle's eyes twinkle. Mr. Weston, however, now broke

into a hearty laugh. "I didn't say a word to her," he explained between times. "Oh, Walter, am I as feroclous as that?" And he forthwith told his nephew of Jonn's

Curtis had to laugh, though unwill ingly. "Go on with your work, uncle,"

Mr. Weston again pressed the button for his new secretary and she entered in a few moments, looking at him doubtfully. Mr. Weston, however, made no sign that he knew this

was not her first entrance, and after a few directions started his dictation. Joan was the makings of a good stenographer and Mr. Weston did not fail to note this. As he watched her neat, well-kept hands fly over the paper, he inwardly congratulated him-

secretaries was over. Such things as were going through his mind, however, were far distant from his penhew's. Curtis, too, noticed her hands, but took no note of their secretarial capabilities. He also noticed the polse of her chestnut crowned head and the wonderful eyelashes that fringed her cheek,

self that at last his regime of untidy

At last Mr. Weston was through, "You may go to dinner at 11:45," he

He looked up suddenly as his nephew coughed rather feebly.

"You want to take care of that cough, Walter," he said, his eyes twinkling again.

Joan looked, too. "I know of a perfectly wonderful cough medicine," she "Mother always advanced shyly. bought it for us.'

"Go outside with Miss Lake," Mr. Weston said. "I am really worrled about you, Walter. This is my nephew, Walter Curtis, Miss Lake," Outside they went, leaving Mr. Weston to his own devices.

As the days went by Joan proved her mettle, and Mr. Weston declared continually that he could never get along without her. A stenographer who could spell without the delaying aid of the dictionary, and whose presence was an encouragement instead of a drawback, was something new to him, and he wondered how he ever managed before.

His only cloud was his nephew, which latter developed a strong and sudden attachment for his hitherto rather neglected uncle, and it was no inusual thing to have that now detested one be present at his morning dictation and to stay around for some time after. He greatly feared that his days of peace were few and snubbed his nephew unmercifully.

One day on his arrival Curtis real-

that long-suffering man that Joan had promised to marry him.

Mr. Weston rang his secretary's bell and jumped up when that young lady entered.

"Miss Lake," he fairly roared, "toy nephew has just told me of your promise to marry him. Have I no rights whatever? Am I to be left in

Joan was surprised. "Why, surely, there are plenty of other girls to take my place. I did-didn't suppose you would mind, Mr. Weston,"

"Mind! Am I to lose the best secretary I have had for years just for the sake of that young man?" Mr. Weston cast a look at his nephew,

Joan looked somewhat relieved. "Oh, if that's all, Mr. Weston," she smiled. "I have a sister she is much better than I stu as a secretary, for she is more experienced by quite n few years. Besides," her eyes twinkled mischievonsly, "she is just now out of work."

He grunted. "Well, bring her along. young woman," he said. Joan giggled as she turned to Curtis. "Would another of my sisters do

#### The Head of the Whale.

you for a wife, Walter?"

Although the head of a whale is of enormous size, from one-quarter to one-third of the tength of the bady. and the mouth 15 to 20 feet long and 6 to 8 feet wide, the opening of the gullet is not larger than a man's a-

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All Busy. "What's your wife doing?" "Preserving watermelon rind."

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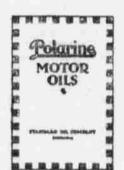
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