

## NEW YORK WOMEN THIN.

A real prince from far off Syria has come to this country for the purpose of studying American women, and after a careful comparison with the women of other countries he has decided that the average woman, especially in New York is too thin.

The prince, who is distinguished, not only by his rank, but by a professional title as well, prefers them tall, and his advice to American women is to take a little more time to living, rest occasionally and add 100 pounds or two at the same time to their weight. Prince Tewfik Bolama is more proud of his medical profession than he is of belonging to the nobility. He says in Syria women prefer brains to titles and he suggests that it might be wise if the American women would for an example to their eastern sisters, whose standards he considers much more worthy. He thinks it would be well for them to adopt also the fashions of the Syrian women. They have no wrinkles, he says, they have no worries. They spend their days in accordance to the old adage, "Laugh and grow fat."

"Fatness is a mark of beauty," Dr. Tewfik says, "and the most beautiful face is that which is round and full like the moon when she is in her glory. In America the women who are forever warning their faces, dieting, and performing all kinds of acrobatic stunts to get rid of a few pounds when they only knew it every one they lose they are parting with just that amount of beauty. In Syria we think every woman who has any claim on beauty at all must weigh at least 175 pounds, and the woman who so rolls in fat that she is what you Americans call a regular 'bunch of pork' would in our country be considered much better to look at than the one who is all bones and angles."

Black moles is another mark of beauty in Syria and the face that has too or three of these little blemishes are the ones that poets sing praises to and lovers shower with their adorations.

### Obedient.

General Sherman once possessed an Irish servant whose forte was asking questions and trying to find out the why and wherefore of everything he was told to do. During a battle an orderly one day approached the general and told him that his favorite horse, Ross, had been struck by a cannon ball and killed.

Calling his Irish servant the general said, "Go skin Ross."

"Why, sir, is Ross dead?" began the man.

General Sherman rose up in his wrath, saying: "Never mind whether he is dead or not—I told you to go out and skin him."

The man returned about three hours later and Sherman hailed him with the words: "Where have you been? Does it take you three hours to skin a horse?"

"No," answered Mike, "but it took me about two hours to catch him."

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# The Deluge

BY DAVID GRAHAM PHILLIPS

She gave me a look that was meant to scorch—and it did. But I showed at the surface no sign of how I was wincing and shrinking in how I was wincing and shrinking into her corner, and out of its darkness came, in a low voice: "How I hate you!" like the whisper of a bullet.

### XXIII A HOUSEWARMING.

Joe's daughter staying on and on at Dawn Hill, was chief lieutenant, if not principal, in my conspiracy to drift into the routine of the new life. Yet neither of us had shown by word or look that a thorough understanding existed between us. My part was to be unobtrusive, friendly, neither indifferently myself, and I held to it by taking care never to be left alone with Anita; Alva's part was to be herself—simple and natural and sensible, full of life and laughter, mocking at those moods that betray us into the absurdity of taking ourselves too seriously. I was ready to ready a new house in town as a surprise to Anita, and I took Alva into my plot. "I wish Anita's part of the house to be exactly to her liking," said I. "Can you set her to dreaming aloud what kind of place she would like to live in, what she would like to open her eyes on in the morning, what surroundings she'd like to dress in and read in, and all that?"

Alva had no difficulty in carrying out the suggestions. And by harassing Wistlake incessantly, I succeeded in getting her report of Anita's dream of the exact shade of the draperies and the silk that covered the walls. By pushing the work, I got the house done just as Alva was warning me that she could not remain longer at Dawn Hill, but must go home and get ready for her wedding. When I went down to arrange with her the last details of the surprise, who should meet me at the station but Anita herself? I took one glance at her serious face and much disquieted, seated myself beside her in the little trap of a house following the usual route to the house, she turned her horse into the bay shore road.

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And I did not go over to the bandits; I simply resumed my own neglected personal affairs and made Wild Veek at least a personal triumph.

There is nothing of the spectacular in my make-up. I have no belief in the value of martyrs and martyrdom. Causes are not won—and in my humble opinion never have been won—in the graveyards. Alive and afoot and armed, and true to my cause, I am the dreaded menace to systematic and respectable robbery. What possible good could have come of my killing me and the bandits dividing my estate?

But why should I seek to justify myself? I care not a rap for the opinion of my fellowmen. They sought my life when they should have been hailing me as a deliverer; now they look up to me because they falsely believe me guilty of an infamy.

My guards expected to be recalled on Tuesday. But Melville heard what Crawford had done about me, and straightway used his influence to have me detained until the new grip of the old game was secure. Saturday afternoon we put in at Newport for the daily communication with the shore. When the launch returned Mulholland brought the papers to me, lounging aft in a mass of cushions under the awning. "We are going ashore," said he. "The order has come."

I had a sudden sense of loneliness. "I'll take you down to New York," said I. "I prefer to land my guests where I shipped them."

As the Albatross steamed into the little harbor I saw Mowbray Langdon's boat anchored, I glanced toward Steuben Point—where his cousins, the Vivians, lived—and thought I recognized his launch at their pier. We saluted the Indolence; the Indolence saluted us. My launch was piped away and I took my seat ready for the start. The path that would round the base of the hill toward the kennels. At the crossing of the path down from the house, I paused and lingered on the glimpse of one of the corner towers of the great shony palace. I was about to turn back, when I heard a low murmur. It was: "Mulholland, Mrs. Mulholland and the four little Mulhollands." And I felt like laughing aloud, such a joke was it that I should be envying a policeman his potato patch and his fat wife and four little ones, and that he should be in my position to pity me.

You may be imagining that, through all, Anita had been dominating my mind. That is the way it is in the romances; but not in life. No doubt there are men who brood upon the impossible, and moon and maunder away for hours, and then, instead of following the usual route to the house, she turned her horse into the bay shore road.

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furious temper, descending from the house toward the landing—Anita presently riding like mad—to overtake him. "That I am I feel confident in his triumphant eyes. In another mood, I suppose my fury would have been beyond my power to restrain it. Just then—the day grew dark for me, and I wanted to hide away somewhere, with only a hammer around my neck, hated myself for having blundered into surprising her."

She reappeared at the turn round which she had vanished. I now noted that she was riding without saddle or bridle, with only a hammer around the horse's neck—then she had seen us, had stopped and come back as soon as she could. She dropped from the horse, looked swiftly at me, at him, at me again, with intense anxiety.

"I saw you in the harbor only a moment ago," she said to me. She was almost panting. "I feared you might meet him. So I came."

"As you see, he is quite—intact," said I. "I must ask that you and he leave the place at once." And I went rapidly along the path toward the kennels.

An exclamation from Langdon forced me to turn in spite of myself. He was half-kneeling, was holding her in his arms, at that sight, the savage in me shook himself free. I dashed toward them with I knew not what curses bursting from me. Langdon, intent upon her, did not realize until I sent him reeling backward to the earth and snatched her up. Her white face, her closed eyes, her limp forehead made my fury instantly collapse. In my confusion I thought that she was dead. I laid her gently on the grass and supported her head, so small, so gloriously rounded, the face so still and sweet and white, like the staidest entrance to a stainless shrine. How the horrible fear changed my whole way of looking at her, at him, at her and him, at everything!

Her eyelids were quivering her eyes were opening, her bosom was rising and falling slowly, she drew long, uncertain breaths. She shuddered, sat up, started up. "Go! go!" she cried. "Bring him back! Bring him back! Bring him—"

"Oh," she recognized me. "Oh, she said and gave a great sigh of relief. She leaned against a tree and looked at Langdon. "You are still here? Then tell him."

Langdon gazed sullenly at the ground. "I can't answer. I don't believe it. Besides, he's given you to me. Let us go. Let me take you to the Vivians." He threw out his arms in a wild, passionate gesture; he was utterly unlike himself. His emotion burst through and shattered like the shell. "I can't give you up, Anita!" he exclaimed in a tone of utter desperation. "I can't! I can't!"

But her gaze was all this time steadfastly on me, as if she feared I would go, she said to me. "I will tell you myself," she said rapidly to me. "We—Uncle Howard and I—read in the papers how they had all turned against you, and he brought me over here. He has been telegraphing for you. This morning he went down to search for you. I saw him an hour ago. Langdon came, I refused to see him, as I have ever since the time I told you about at Alva's. He persisted, until at last I had the servant request him to leave the house."

"But now there's no longer any reason for your staying," Anita pleaded. "He has said you are free. Why stay when you would really no more be here than if you were to go, leaving one of your empty dresses?"

She had not for an instant taken her eyes from me, and so strange were her eyes, so compelling, that I seemed unable to move or speak. But now she released me to blaze upon him—and never shall I forget any detail of her face of voice as she said to him: "The false Mowbray Langdon, I told you the truth when I told you I loved him!"

So violent was her motion that she had to pause for self control. And I? I was overwhelmed, dazed, stunned. When she went on she was looking at neither of us. "Yes, I loved him at most from the first—from the day he came to the box at the races. I was ashamed, poor creature that my parents had made me! I was ashamed of it. I was ashamed of him and the thought I did. And when he showed me that he no longer cared, my pride goaded me into the folly of trying to listen to you. But I loved him more than ever. And you and he stand here, and I am ashamed again—ashamed that I was ever so blind and ignorant and prejudiced as to compare him with—she looked at Langdon—"with you. Do you believe me now—now that I humble myself before him here in your presence?"

I should have had no heart at all if I had not felt pity for him. His face was gray, and on it were those signs of age that strong emotion brings to the surface after 40. "You could have married me. In no other way," he replied, after a silence, and in a voice I should not have recognized.

Silence again. Presently he raised his head, and with something of his old cynicism he spoke to me. "I should have avenged much and many," said he "I have often had a presentiment that my day of wrath would come."

He lifted his hat, bowed to me without looking at me, and drawing the tatters of his waist, moved still further over his wounds, poised away toward the landing.

I still in a stupor, watched him until he had disappeared. When I turned to see her, she was looking at me. "I shall be back this afternoon," she said. "If I may I'll stay at the house until he comes to take me."

A weary, half-suppressed sigh escaped from her. I knew how she must be feeling. Her eyes grew very wide, and she was unable to speak. She went to the horse, browsing near by; she stroked his muzzle. Lingeringly she twined her fingers in his mane, as if about to spring to his back! That reminded me of a house I had once lived in. It was a little changes, each a trifle in itself, yet, taken altogether, making a complete transformation.

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"I myself, what could I tell that you do not know or guess? Now that all men, even the rich, even the parasites of the bandits, groan under their tyranny and their taxes, it is strange that the resentment against me has disappeared, that my ashes are remembered, that I am popular. I might forecast what I purpose to do when the time is ripe. But I am not given to prophecy. I will only say that I think I shall, in due season, go into action again—profiting by my experience in the future of trying to hasten evolution by revolution. Meanwhile—"

As I write I can look up from the paper, and out upon the lawn, at a woman—what a woman!—teaching a baby to walk. And, assisting her, there is a boy, himself not yet an expert at walking. I doubt if you'd have to glance twice at the boy to know he is my son. Well—I have borrowed a leaf from Mulholland's philosophy. I commend it to you.

### [THE END.]

## APPLES PROPAGATE MOTHS.

### Germans Give Warnings Against Keeping the Fruit in Dwellings.

Germany has found a peril in apples. They are the principal medium for the propagation and spread of the destructive house moth (*Glyphophagus domesticus*) according to observations recently made.

The discovery was the result of a plague of moths at Gries and the villages surrounding it. The larvae were traced to the stores of apples kept in the houses and thence to the trees themselves.

The larvae are found first of all in the apple blossoms. As the fruit grows they pass to the cones and depress the stem of the stem of the apple.

When the fruit is taken into the house it is laden with the eggs. The propagation of the eggs is said to be prodigious.

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As a result of the discoveries it is urged that apples never be taken into dwellings without careful cleansing, and even then they should never be kept in living rooms, and the peelings should be promptly removed.

### Who Remembers Bill?

From the New York Evening Sun.

There lived a hundred and fifty year ago (much as they might have lived today) one Bill Spraggett and his wife, Ann. All day long Bill Spraggett dreamed great dreams and at night he proved to his and to her satisfaction that Ann was a fool.

Every night when the things were cleared away Ann Spraggett sat down in her chair before the fire, put her feet on the hassock and labored at her needlework.

And every night Bill Spraggett sat in the chimney corner and proved what a wonderful man he was.

"If I were the governor," said Bill one night, "I would have this town ordered greatly."

"Dear heart," said she, "tis not so bad."

"What," said Bill, taking his pipe out of his mouth. "Not so bad?"

"No," said Ann. "Is it?"

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From the Consular Reports.

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### ALLING WOMEN.

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From the New York World.

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FEARFUL BURNING SORES.

Boy in Misery 12 Years—Eczema in Rough Scales, Itching and Inflammation—Cured by Cuticura.

"I wish to inform you that your wonderful Cuticura has put a stop to twelve years of misery I passed with my son. As an infant I noticed on my body a red spot and treated same with different remedies for about five years, but when the spot began to get larger I put him under the care of doctors. Under their treatment the disease spread to four different parts of his body. The longer the doctors treated him the worse it became. During the day it would get rough and form like scales. At night it would be cracked, inflamed, and badly swollen, with terrible burning and itching. When I think of his suffering, it nearly breaks my heart. His screams could be heard downstairs. The suffering of my son made me full of misery. I had no ambition to work, to eat, nor could I sleep. One doctor told me that my son's eczema was incurable