MONDAY, FEBRUARY 9, 1914.





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CHAPTER IV.

Inferno. THE inexorable voice went on in its monotone, as if he had not spoken.

"And when you are really sick and have to stop work what are you going to do then? Do you know. Mr. Gilder, that the first time a straight girl steals it's often because she had to have a doctor-or some luxury like that? And some of them do worse than steal. Yes, they do-girls that started straight and wanted to stay that way. But, of course, some of them get so tired of the whole grind that-that"-

"I'm not their guardian. I can't watch over them after they leave the store. They are paid the current rate of wages-as much as any other store pays." As he spoke the anger provoked by this unexpected assault on him out of the mouth of a convict flamed high in virtuous repudiation. "Why," he went on vehemently, "no man living does more for his employees than I do. Who gave the girls their fine rest rooms upstairs? I did! Who gave them the cheap lunchrooms? I did!"

"But you won't pay them enough to Hve on!"

"I pay them the same as the other stores do," he repeated sullenly. "But you won't pay them enough to live on!"



"Won't you do something about it?"

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his first action with no thought of self such methods of thievery as are kept ing. Since it was so agreeable he she began to meditate. meant to prolong the glow of self sat- It was the law that had worked the waif of the river.

Joe Garson, the notorious forger, led quence she felt for the law no genuine the dripping girl eastward through the respect, only detestation as for the squalid streets until at last they came epitome of injustice. Yet, she gave it to an adequately lighted avenue, and a superficial respect, born of those there a taxicab was found. It carried three years of suffering which had them farther north, and to the east to been the result of the penalty inflict. Nelson Jean & Co., coal an apartment house that was rather | ed on her. Now, in the paragraph she imposing, set in a street of humbler had just read she found a clew to sug dwellings.

the hallway. Mary went with him and this in safety since she would atquite unafraid, though now with a tempt nought save that within the growing curiosity. law.

The two entered and went slowly up three flights of stairs. On the landing beyond the third flight the door of a rear flat stood open, and in the doorway appeared the figure of a woman. "Well, Joe, who's the skirt?" this POIMINIDD person demanded as the man and his

at the back of it. He had risked his within the law. That phrase held the J. H. Tams, salary for life to save that of a stranger. The girl's fancy, and she read the article January, 1914 sensation was at once novel and thrill- again with a quickened interest. Then L. B. Egenberger, md-e.

isfaction by continuing to care for this ruin of her life, which she had striv- J. H. Donnelly, work in en to make wholesome. In consegestive thought, a bint as to a means Here Garson paid the fare and then by which she might satisfy her rancor lowed on the Road fund: helped the girl to alight and on into against the law that had outraged her. R. C. Bailey, road drags

county treasurer's office for January A. W. White, mdse, to McPherson, Fullerion and Johnson to Fullerton and Krisky and road work, Road (To be Continued)

lowed on the Bridge fund: R. S. McCleery, bridge Wednesday, Februaryi, 1914. Plattsmouth, Feb. 4, 1914. PROCEEDINGS Board met pursuant to ad-

dan, County Commissioners: Frank J. Libershal, County Clerk. Board met pursuant to ad- when the following business was Thursday, February 5, 1914. journment. Present, C. E. Heeb- (ransacted in regular form:

Commissioners' Proceedings-

ner, Julius A, Pilz and C. R. Jor-Bids for printing, burial of dan, County Commissioners; pauper poor and county physi-Frank J. Libershal, County Clerk. cians for various physicians' dis- journment, Present, C. E. Heeb-Minutes of previous sessions stricts received as follows:

County Treasurer this day in- Republican. the case, other transacted in regular form:

Shopp & Son the sum of \$5.06 Road Notices - Plattsmonth cense fee of \$10.00 for conducttaxes paid under protest, account Journal, 12 legal rates; Weeping inst and operating a 3-table pool. of being assessed in City of Water Republican, so per cent and billiard hall in the Village of Plattsmouth and property found legal rate; Union Ledger, legal Manley, Cass County, Nebraska, to be in Precinct, as per ruling of rate; Elmwood Echo, legal rate, received from Eli D. Keckler, and

County Clerk Frank J. Liber- mouth Journal, 3/ legal rates; the County Board. shal this day appointed B. A. Weeping Water Republican, 80 . County Clerk, reported having Rosencrans as deputy in his office per cent legal rate; Union Ledger, received a draft for shill i from for the baaince of year 1914 at a legal rate; Elmwood Echo, legal Nebraska & Iowa steet Tank Co. salary of \$1,000 per year, provid- rate.

County Board.

County Board.

ceived for the following work:

118.75 James Robertson, fees, 1911 Jones vs. Cass County .50 85.00 Waterman Lander & "Coal Go., coal to coart. to paupers, jail and house 23.05 69,65 Melville D. Thomas, part. farm Payment andning the county revents 100.00 67.50 A. L. Tubl. defending The following claims were al. 20.00 lowed on the Boad fund-F. H. Bird, roud work, Read District No. 6, 18 St. 241 13.00 Ben Swanson, same, The following claims were al- Road District No. 16. 117,4303 Sam Johnson, same Road District No. 6. 1 3. 1500 Herman C. Ross, same, E. HIT A: F. Seybert, road work 20,00 Perry Cook, same, Road The following claim was al- District No. 6 11.00 Chus, Frohlich, same Road Dilsriet No. 16. (新新)、 work \$ 33.60 Union Lumber Co., lum-Board adjourned to meet ber for Road District No. 15 -----15,30 Wm, Wulf, could work, Road District No. 16. - 1.80 The following claim was alournment, Present, C. E. Heeh- lowed on the Bridge fund: ner, Julius A. Pilz and C. B. Jor- Union Lumber Co.-Board adjourned to meet

Platismouth, Feb. 5, 1911. Board met pursuant to admer, Julius A. Pitz and C. R. Jorread and approved, when the fol- Bar Docket - Plaitsmouth dam, County Commissioners; lowing business was transacted Journal, füe case, others pages, Frank J. Libershal, County Clerk. \$1,00 per page; Weeping Water when the following business was

PAGE 5.

Application, petition and It-Notice to Contractors-Platts- license was this day granted by

to cover amount overpaul on Case ing fees of office warrant same. Call for Bids-Plattsmouth County road warrant No. 149, Appointment was approved by the Journal, 12 legal rates; Weeping dated May 2, 1913, for entverts Water Republican, 80 per cent in Road District No. 12.

The following claims were altowed on the General fund:

gas to jail, street lamp.

H. B. Hedding, part pay-

Mary found the prophecy true. Back in New York she experienced a poverty more ravaging than any she had known in those five lean years of her working in the store. She had been absolutely penniless for two days, and without food through the gnawing hours, when she found employment in a milliner's shop. Followed a blessed interval in which she worked contentedly, happy over the meager stipend. since it served to give her shelter and food honestly earned. The police informed Mary's employer concerning her record as a convict, and she was at once discharged. The charge halted before her. Then,

persevered in that resolve to live Mary Turner!" straight. She found a cheap position | "Aggie!" was the reply.

acteristic of her, she proceeded to paint

glowing pictures of a future shared to

the undoing of ardent and fatuous

swains. Mary Turner listened with

curiosity, but she was in no wise

moved to follow such a life, even

though it did not necessitate anything

worse than a fraudulent playing at

love. So, she steadfastly continued her

"You will find that you are up

against an awful frost," Aggie would

refusals. She would live straight.

declare brutally.

speedily lost the place.

Mary Wore Fine Clothes.

unfortunate victim of the law came abruptly, the round, baby-like face of perilously close to despair then. Yet. the woman puckered in amazement. her spirit triumphed, and again she Her voice rose shrill. "Well, if it ain't

structed to refund to Frank pages 60c per page.

Plattsmouth, Feb. 3, 1914.

the court.

in regular form;

Bond of B. A. Rosencrans, dep- legal rate: Union Ledger, legal aty county clerk, approved by the rate; Elinwood Echo, legal rate.

As advertised, bids were re- Plattsmonth Journal, to per line; Weeping Water Republican, 1 hr County printing, burial of per line; Union Ledger, ide per pauper poor, and county physi- square.

in a cheap shop, only to be again per- In the time that followed Mary lived cians for various physician's dis- Contract awarded as follows: in a cheap shop, only to be again per-secuted by the police, so that she in the flat which Aggie Lynch occu-bin the flat pied with her brother, Jim, a pickpock- burial of pauper poor were open- docket; Plattsmouth Journal, Fred Patterson, work Varnished Coffins-M. Hild, 85 per foot; Streight & Streight. The following claims were al- \$5,22 per foot. owed on the General fund: Outside Boxes-M. Hild, \$1.00 per foot; Streight & Streight, 93c C. E. Heebner, salary and mileage \$ 31.20 per foot. C. R. Jordan, salary and Trip to Cemetery-M. Hild. mileage 34.50 \$6.00; Streight & Streight, \$6.00. Shrouds-M. Hild, 85.75; 21.40 Streight & Streight, \$5.05. and mileage Hans Sievers, salary and Extra Trips-M. Hild, 85,00; laundry 78.00 Streight & Streight, 85.00. Floaters-M. Hild, \$10,00; S. H. Shumaker, repair-2.00 Streight & Streight, \$10,00. ing pump at farm ... Gontract awarded to M. Hild. Hotel Riley, meals to District No. 1-Dr. E. D. Cum-7.00 jury mins, \$260; Dr. J. B. Martin, Wm. Hassler, bridge fare for Seam and \$250. 1.14 District No. 2-Dr. J. F. Bren-Dawson del. \$39.97; Dr. D. F. Houston. Aug. Bach, mdse, to J. 5.00 \$45.00. Monroe Peter F. Goos, meals to District No. 3-J. B. Hungale, \$29,00; Dr. J. W. Brendel, \$24,50; W. B. Banning, road jury and barrels to 6.50 Dr. M. M. Butter, \$30.00. farm Mary E. Foster, salary District No. 4-Dr. E. L. Jones. and expense 165.86 \$75.00. James H. Thrasher, District No. 6-Dr. O. E. Lisbailiff's certificates ... 28,00 Ion, \$496.00; Dr. C. L. Longacre. Ambler Bros. & Co., \$100,00. mdse to Mrs. Mary Contracts awarded as follows: Brown 5.00 Dr. J. B. Martin, District No. 1; D. C. Morgan, salary and Dr. J. F. Brendel, District No. 2; expense to Jan, 26... 171.52 Dr. J. W. Brendel, District No. Frank J. Libershal, 3; Dr. E. L. Jones, District No. 4; no bids received from District No. salary as County Clerk 22.18 5; all bids rejected from District for January, 1914... No. 6. Ginn & Co., supplies to county superintendent 37,90 Bond of J. W. Horner, deputy

W. B. Banning, coul In Nehraska Lighting Co.,

and court house 28.64

forced to steal. That's the plea you listener's heart. "Yes, you are going make for yourself and your friends." | to pay-for this!"

"I wasn't forced to steal," came the had marked her utterance throughout years during which Mary Turner serv- been in prison. The man had a kindly the character of the girl. answer, spoken in the monotone that most of the interview. "I wasn't ferc- ed her sentence in Burnsing. There heart and he ran little risk, so he althe same, that's the plea, as you call girl learned soon that the favor of those called his attention to the girl's crimit, that I'm making for the other girls. set in authority over her could only be inal record he paid no heed to their adbecause they don't get enough to eat. maidenly instinct revolted. So she The police brought pressure to bear on I said I would tell you how to stop the stealing. Well, I have done it. Give the girls a fair chance to be honest. You asked me for the names, Mr. Gilder. There's only one name on which to put the blame for the whole busi-Now, won't you do something about row couch: the constant, gnawing irkness, and that name is Edward Gilder! it?"

At that naked question the owner of the store jumped up from his chair and stood glowering at the girl who risked a request so full of vituperation against himself.

"How dare you speak to me like this?" he thundered.

"Why, I dared," Mary Turner explained, "because you have done all sure knowledge as to the difficulties the harm you can to me. And now I'm that would beset the effort and in the trying to give you the chance to do face of the temptations offered to folbetter by the others. You ask me why low an easier path. I dare. I have a right to dare. I have There was, for example, Aggie been straight all my life. I have want- Lynch, a fellow convict, with whom ed decent food and warm clothes and she had a slight degree of acquaintance. '-a little happiness all the time I have nothing more. This young woman, a worked for you, and I have gone with criminal by training, offered allureout those things just to stay straight. ments of illegitimate employment in The end of it all is, you are sending the outer world when they should be me to prison for something I didn't do. free. Mary endured the companion-That's why I dare!"

then to an audible command. He was was one unmoral rather than immoral, seriously disturbed by the gently spo- and the difference is mighty. ken truths that had issued from the For that reason Aggie Lynch was girl's lips. He was not prepared with not actively offensive, as were most of time to gain a glimpse of a white face any answer, though he hotly resented the others. She was a dainty little every word of her accusation.

movement there was a tug at the wrist widen often in demure wonder over far out after the drifting body. He of the girl that set her moving toward most things in a surprising and naughthe door. Her realization of what this ty world. She had been convicted of caught it. meant was shown in her final speech.

in a level voice. "When I come out inclined to boast over her ability to you are going to pay for every minute bamboozle men at her will. She was against them with all the fierceness of of them, Mr. Gilder. There won't be a natural actress of the ingenue role. his nature. What saved the two of a day or an hour that I won't remem- and in that pose she could unfailingly them was the violent temper of the ber that at the last it was your word beguile the heart of the wisest of sent me to prison. And you are going worldly men. to pay me for that. You are going to She had been reared in a criminal and gave him new power in the battle. pay me for the five years I have stary- family, which must excuse much. Under the urge of it he conquered and ed making money for you-that too! Long ago she had lost track of her You are going to pay me for all the father. Her mother she had never to the shore. things I am losing today, and"-

The girl thrust forth her left hand, er of high standing as a pickpecket. on that side where stood the officer. One principal reason of her success in So vigorous was her movement that leading on men to make fools of them-Cassidy's clasp was thrown off the selves over her, to their overlasting re- of the man. His rather low voice was rect cause of her imprisonment. Edwrist. But the bond between the two gret afterward, lay in the fact that in soothing to her tired soul, and his was not broken, for from wrist to spite of all the gross irregularities of whole sir was at once masterful and wrist showed taut the steel chain of her life she remained chaste. the manacles. The girl shook the links The girl saw in Mary Turner the

of the handcuffs in a gesture stronger possibilities of a hadylike personality thun words:

she said. Her voice was little more a mistress. With the frankness char-

"And so you claim that you were than a whisper, but it was loud in the

. They were grim years, those three small way, the truth as to her having ing sort in both the appearance and

went through the inferno of days and the man. They even called in the aswas altogether an evil thing. There was the material ill ever present in the though unwillingly enough, he dismissround of wearlsome physical toil-the ed Mary from his service. coarse, distasteful food; the bard narsomeness of imprisonment, away from

light and air, away from all that Yet, despite her innocence, the world makes life worth while. The best evidence of the fact that Mary Turner's soul was not fatally solled must be found in the fact that still at the expiration of her sentence ed the streets falteringly, seeking some she was fully resolved to live straight. as the saying is which she had quoted

to Gilder. This, too, in the face of thought of the river and was glad.

ship with this prisoner because a sixth burst from her lips. Gilder could not trust himself just sense proclaimed the fact that here

blond, with a baby face, in which were Cassidy faced about, and in his set two light blue eyes of a sort to

blackmail, and she made no pretense "Three years isn't forever," she said even of innocence. Instead, she was

tore at him wrathfully, but he fought man. Always it had been the demon to set him aflame. His rage mounted herself.

Then began the savage struggle to

save her and himself. The currents

at last brought himself and his charge known. Her one relation was a broth-Mary revived to clear consciousness.

> hysteria, but this phase yielded soon gently tender. When finally she was

"You are going to pay me for this!" in the devious ways of which she was even as a question of whither.

A third time she obtained work and et much esteemed among his fellow ed, but action was deferred until balance. there, after a little, she told her em- craftsmen. The period wrought trans- meeting of Wednesday, February ployer, a candy manufacturer in a formations of a radical and bewilder- 4, 1914.

Joe Garson, the forger, had long been ed to steal, and I didn't steal. But, all was no time off for good behavior. The lowed her to remain. When the police acquainted with Aggle and her brother, though he considered them far beneath him in the social scale, since There are hundreds of them who steal won at a cost against which her every vice against retaining her services. their criminal work was not of that high kind on which he prided himself. Julius A. Pitz, salary But as he cast about for some woman nights in a dreariness of suffering that sistance of Edward Gilder himself, to whom he might take the hapless was deadly. Naturally the life there who obligingly wrote a very severe let- girl he had rescued his thoughts fell ter to the girl's employer. In the end, on Aggie. He was relieved rather than otherwise to learn that there was already an acquaintance between the

> It was then that despair did come two women, and the fact that his upon the girl. She had tried with all charge had served time in prison did C. M. Seybert, railroad the strength of her to live straight. not influence him one jot against her. Mary let herself drift. It seemed to would not let her live according to her her that she had abandoned herself to own conscience. It demanded that she fate in that hour when she threw herbe the criminal it had branded her-if self into the river. Afterward, withshe were to live at all. She still walkout any volition on her part, she had been restored to life and set within an place, but her heart was gone from environment new and strange to her, the quest. Came an hour when she in which soon, to her surprise, she discovered a vivid pleasure. So she So she went through the long stretch fought no more, but left destiny to of ill lighted streets, crossed some railwork its will, unhampered by her furoad tracks to a pier, over which she tile strivings.

hurried to the far end, where it pro-For the first time in her life, thanks jected out to the fiercer currents of the to the hospitality of Aggie Lynch, se-Hudson. There, without giving hercretly re-enforced from the funds of self a moment's pause for reflection or Joe Garson, Mary found herself living hesitation, she leaped out as far as in luxurious idleness, while her every her strength permitted into the coll of wish could be gratified by the merest waters. But in that final second natmention of it. She was fed on the ural terror in the face of death overdaintiest of fare, she was clothed with came the lethargy of despair-a shrick the most delicate richness for the first time as to those more mysterious gar-

On the side of the pier a man had ments which women love. In addition, just fied up a motorboat. He stood up there were as many of books and magin alarm at the cry and was just in azines as she could wish.

Her mind, long starved like her body, The Plattsmouth Jourunder the dim moonlight as it swept seized avidly on the nourishment thus nal, printing and supdown with the tide, two rods beyond afforded. In this interest Aggie had him. He threw off his coat and sprang no share-was perhaps a little envi-Louisville ous over Mary's absorption in printed came to it in a few furious strokes and printing for sheriff ... pages. Aggle took a vast pride in her guest, with the unmistakable air of H. S. Rice, labor at

county jail elegance, and she dared to dream of great triumphs to come, though as Remington Typewriter yet she carefully avoided any sugges-Co, repairs for typetion to Mary of wrongdoing. writer

In the end the suggestion came from Mary Turner herself, to the great surprise of Aggie, and, truth to tell, of

and repairs at jail ... There were two factors that chiefly influenced her decision. The first was Frank Nemuann, livery hire from Manspeaker due to the feeling that, since the world had rejected her, she need no longer Waterman Lumber Co., sand and cement to

concern herself with the world's opin which was at first inclined toward ion or retain any scruples over it Back of this lay her bitter sentiment Mrs. J. E. Leesley, care under the sympathetic ministrations toward the man who had been the de ward Gilder.

The factor that was the immediate cause of her decision on an frregular able to stand and to walk with the mode of life was an editorial in one

nary, 1914 support of his arm she went forward of the daily newspapers. This was a F. H. Mumin, bread to that might wean much financial profit slowly at his side without so much scathing arraignment of a master in county farm high fuance. The point of the writ- C. H. Taylor, salary and Joe Garson had performed, perhaps er's attack was the grim sarcasm for expense, IS HE HALL AND ADDRESS AND ADD

January, 4235# HS the state of a contain the state of the

C. W. Baylor & Co., coal

to jail, farm and

paupers

plies

John Bauer & Son, labor

G. P. Eastwood, mdse.

at jail

jail

Miss Lathan, Jan-

E. Manspeaker, salary

deputy sheriff Jan-

uary, 1914

Courier,

assessor for Center Precinct, re-108.23 Beeson. Clerk of the District Court filed statement of time and mileage of

89.29 the regular jury and talesmen for the term 1913 of the District 7.50 Court, amounting to \$730.80.

County Clerk reported having 4.70 received 18 copies of the Nebraska Statutes for 1913, as per order of January 15, 1914.

15 County Clerk reported having received a warrant for \$92.13 3.50 from clerk of Richardson county to reimburse Cass county for ex-.70 pense in insane case of Mrs. Barbara Schmelzel,

2.50 A lefter received from Board of Trustees of the Village of Eagle requesting the appointment of A. 3.35 H. Vaniaudingham as justice of the peace of Tiplon Precinct to fill vacancy. Same was approved 31,00 and appointment made by Board of County Commissioners. The following claims were al-45.00 lowed on the General fand: Plattsmonth Water Co. 4.75 water to court house \$

F. V. Hulfish, andse, to Frank Reece

and expense for January, 1914 15.25 John Bauer & Son, part. payment prog house contract converses 250,00 D. C. Morgan, postmaster, postal supplies 29.42 William Schmidtmann, mose. to farm and jail verene 35.60 The following claims were al. lowed on the Bridge fund; W. B. Banning, bridge lumber# 38.90 G. P. Eastwood, bridge material 3.15 malerial 1.30 Cedar Creek Lumber Co., bridge lumber ... 23.60 The following claims were alowed on the Road fund; dragging, Road Intriel No. 11, for 1943.8 45.76 F. A. Finkle, road dragging Road District No. 11 for 1913 -----22.000 Roard adjourned to meet Inesday, February 17, 1914. FRANK J. LIBERSHAL County Clerk.

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J. I. Long, editor of the Nehawka News, was in the city today for a few hours on route to Red Oak, Iowa, for a short visit.



