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## THE STORY BY OLIVE SCHREINER AFRICAN FARM \*\* A TALE OF LIFE IN THE BOER REPUBLIC.

pelled to look upon marriage as a pro-

is a glorious liberty! Let any man think

for five minutes of what old maiden-

hood means to a woman, and then let

him be silent. Is it easy to bear

throughout life a name that in itself

signifies defeat-to dwell, as nine out

of ten unmarried women must, under

the finger of another woman? Is it

easy to look forward to an old age with-

ful labor, without love? I wonder how

up everything that is dear in life for

the sake of maintaining a high ideal

She laughed a little laugh that was

clear without being pleasant. "And

then, when they have no other argu-

ment against us, they say: 'Go on, but

when you have made woman what

you wish and her children inherit her

culture you will defeat yourself. Man

cess of intellect. The passions which

replenish the race will die.' Fools!"

she said, curling her pretty lip. "A

Hottentot sits at the roadside and

feeds on a rotten bone he has found

there and takes out his bottle of Cape

smoke and swills at it and grunts with

satisfaction, and the cultured child of

lip of a connoisseur and tastes deli-

cate dishes with a delicate palate and

with a satisfaction of which the Hot-

tentot knows nothing. Heavy jaw and

sloping forehead, all have gone with

increasing intellect, but the animal ap-

She was silent then for awhile and

"They ask: What will you gain, even

When men and women are equals, they

"Do they see nothing, understand

nothing? It is Tant' Sannie who buries

her hands resignedly-"The Lord gave,

blessed be the name of the Lord'-and

headed, deep thinker who, when the

wife who has thought and worked with

him goes, can find no rest and lingers

"A great soul draws and is drawn

with a more fierce intensity than any

small one. By every inch we grow in

intellectual height our love strikes

down its roots deeper and spreads out

its arms wider. It is for love's sake

look for that new time." She had

leaned her head against the stones

the retreating bird. "Then when that

near her till he finds sleep beside her.

said somewhat dreamily, more as

which they are built remain?"

(Continued From Last Week.]

fession, but that she is free to enter When she spoke again, it was very upon it or leave it, as she pleases. measuredly.

"They bring weighty arguments against us when we ask for the perfect freedom of women." she said, "but when you come to the objections they are like pumpkin devils with candles inside, hollow, and can't bite. They say that women do not wish for the sphere and freedom we ask for them and would not use it.

"If the bird does like its cage and does like its sugar and will not leave It, why keep the door so very carefully shut? Why not open it, only a little? Do they know there is many a bird will not break its wings against the bars, but would fly if the doors were many men there are who would give open?" She knit her forehead and leaned farther over the bars.

"Then they say, 'If the women have purity." the liberty you ask for, they will be found in positions for which they are not fitted!' If two men climb one ladder, did you ever see the weakest anywhere but at the foot? The surest sign of fitness is success. The weakest never wins but where there is handicapping. Nature left to herse!f will as beautifully apportion a man's work to his capacities as long ages ago she graduated the colors on the bird's

breast. If we are not fit, you give us to no purpose the right to labor. The work will fall out of our hands into those that are wiser."

She talked more rapidly as she went on, as one talks of that over which one the nineteenth century sits in his armhas brooded long and which lies near | chair and sips choice wines with the one's heart.

Waldo watched her intently.

"They say women have one great and noble work left them, and they do it ill. That is true. They do it execrably. It is the work that demands the broadest culture, and they have not

it is not a means of making bread. when each woman's life is filled with earnest, independent labor, then love will come to her, a strange sudden sweetness breaking in upon her earnest work, not sought for, but found. Then, but not now"-

Waldo waited for her to finish the sentence, but she seemed to have forgotten him. "Lyndall," he said, putting his hand

upon her (she started), "if you think that that new time will be so great, so good, you who speak so easily"-She interrupted him.

"Speak, speak!" she said. "The difficulty is not to speak. The difficulty is to keep silence." "But why do you not try to bring

that time?" he said, with pitiful simplicity. "When you speak, I believe all "Yes, and a cat set affoat in a pond you say. Other people would listen to is free to sit in the tub till it dies there. It is under no obligation to wet its you also." "I am not so sure of that." she said. feet. And a drowning man may catch

at a straw or not, just as he likes. It with a smile. Then over the small face came the

> weary look it had worn last night as it watched the shadow in the corner-ah. so weary! "I, Waldo, I?" she said. "I will do nothing good for myself, nothing for the world, till some one wakes me. am asleep, swathed, shut up in self.

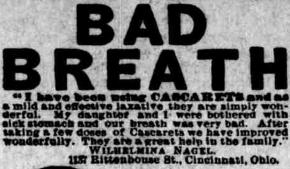
Till I have been delivered I will deliver out honor, without the reward of use- no one." He looked at her, wondering, but she

> was not looking at him. "To see the good and the beautiful." she said, "and to have no strength to

live it is only to be Moses on the mountain of Nebo, with the land at your

feet and no power to enter. It would be better not to see it. Come," she said, looking up into his face and seeanxious for his breakfast also," she earth a mole, an occupation to which he had been zealously addicted from the third month, but in which he had never on any single occasion proved and one soul is the model of all. We

successful. Waldo shouldered his bag, and Lyn- ture after we have once carefully disdall walked on before in silence, with sected and analyzed the one being we the dog close at her side. Perhaps she ever shall truly know-ourself. thought of the narrowness of the lim-



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a bit of blue over you and something that you cannot see to dream about, you have all that you need, all that you know how to use. But I like to see real men. Let them be as disagreeable as they please, they are more interesting to me than flowers or trees or stars or any other thing under the sun. Sometimes," she added walking on and shaking the dust daintily from

her skirts, "when I am not too busy trying to find a new way of doing my | die?" hair that will show my little neck to

better advantage or over other work of that kind-sometimes it amuses me intensely to trace out the resemblance between one man and another, to see how Tant' Sannie and I, you and ing its uncomprehending expression, Bonaparte, St. Simon on his pillar and "let us go. It is getting late. Doss is the emperor dining off larks' tongues are one and the same compound, merewill gradually become extinct from ex- added, wheeling round and calling to ly mixed in different proportions. What the dog, who was endeavoring to up- is microscopic in one is largely developed in another, what is a rudimentary in one man is an active organ in another, but all things are in all men,

shall find nothing new in human na-

"The Kaffir girl threw some coffee on its within which a human soul may my arm in bed this morning. I felt disspeak and be understood by its nearest pleased, but said nothing. Tant' Sanof mental kin, of how soon it reaches nie would have thrown the saucer at not raised his spirit or courage. He that solitary land of the individual ex- her and sworn for an hour, but the perience in which no fellow footfall is feeling would be the same irritated ever heard. Whatever her thoughts displeasure. If a huge animated stom- if he were not observed. He had put petites are there still, refined, discrimi- may have been, she was soon inter- ach like Bonaparte were put under a three rings on his little finger, with the even the narrowest. The lawyer may native, but immeasurably intensified. rupted. Waldo came close to her and, glass by a skillful mental microscopist, intention of sticking it out stiffly when standing still, produced with awk- even he would be found to have an emhe raised a coffee cup. Now the little wardness from his breast pocket a bryonic doubling somewhere indica- finger was curled miserably among its tive of a heart and rudimentary bud- | fellows. It was small relief when the "I made it for you," he said, holding dings that might have become conmeal was over and Tant' Sannie and science and sincerity. Let me take he repaired to the front room. Once "I like it," she said, examining it your arm, Waldo. How full you are seated there, he set his knees close to-

which he gently urged his steed. He was evidently in no hurry to reach his destination, for the nearer he approached to it the slacker did his bridle hang. The colored woman, having duly inspected him, dashed into the dwelling.

"Here is another one," she cried, "a widower. I see it by his hat."

"Good Lord!" said Tant' Sannie. "It's the seventh I've had this month. But the men know where sheep and good looks and money in the bank are to be found," she added,' winking knowingly. "How does he look ?"

"Nineteen, weak eyes, white hair, little round nose," said the maid.

"Then it's he, then it's he," said Tant' Sannie, triumphantly, "Little Piet Vander Walt, whose wife died last month-two farms, 12,000 sheep. I've not seen him, but my sister-in-law told me about him, and I dreamed about him last night."

Here Piet's black hat appeared in the doorway, and the Boer woman drew herself up in dignified silence, extended the tips of her fingers and motioned solemnly to a chair. The young man seated himself, sticking his feet as far under it as they would go, and said mildly:

"I am Little Piet Vander Walt, and my father is Big Piet Vander Walt." Tant' Sannie said solemnly, "Yes." "Aunt," said the young man, start-

ing up spasmodically, "can I off sad-"Yes."

He seized his hat and disappeared with a rush through the door.

"I told you so! I knew it!" sald Tant' Sannie. "The dear Lord doesn't send dreams for nothing. Didn't I tell you this morning that I dreamed of a great beast like a sheep, with red eyes, and I killed it? Wasn't the white wool his hair, and the red eyes his weak eyes, and my killing him meant marriage? Get supper ready quickly. The sheep's inside and roaster cakes. We shall sit up tonight."

To young Piet Vander Walt that supper was a period of intense torture. There was something overawing in that assembly of English people, with their incomprehensible speech and, moreover, it was his first courtship. His first wife had courted him, and ten months of severe domestic rule had ate little and when he raised a morsel to his lips glanced guiltily round to see

gether, stood his black hat upon them

and wretchedly turned the brim up and

Sannie, who found it impossible longer

to maintain that decorous silence and

"I was related to your Aunt Selena

"Yes, aunt," said the young man. "I

"It was her cousin," said Tant' San-

"Yes, aunt," said the young man.

"I've heard about it often." said

the old doctor that they say died on

Christmas day, but I don't know if

that's true. People do tell such awful

lies. Why should he die on Christmas

"Did you ever have the toothache?"

"Well, they say that doctor-not the

son of the old doctor that died on

Christmas day, the other that didn't

come when he was sent for-he gave

such good stuff for the toothache that

where any one was bad they got bet-

ter directly. You could see it was good

stuff." said Tant' Sannie. "It tasted

horrid. That was a real doctor! He

used to give a bottle so high," said the

from the table. "You could drink at

day more than any other day?"

man meekly.

"No, aunt."

asked Tant' Sannie.

whose heart yearned over the youth.

## Science of Money Editor Independent :-- Money is

science and should be studied as science. Like arithmetic, in order to get any correct knowledge of it, the study must be commenced in the right place. There is but one right place

to begin it. Like arithmetic it has its rudiments and these rudiments should be taken up and matured in their reg-

ular logical order. The school boy would not get along very well to begin the study of arithmetic at the rule of three, or at common fractions. If he did so he would be in confusion and make no true progress until he should begin at the right place and have patience to clear every thing up as he goes. The science of money like arithmetic, has its rules also, in which much is comprehended in a few words, and these rules should be committed to memory, and every word in them should be gotten in mind just exactly right. Every young man should study the science of money in this manner before he comes to voting age. If this carefulness was used in the study of the subject, we would soon think nearly all alike, and not

be involved in such complications and contradictions amongst us. M. WARREN.

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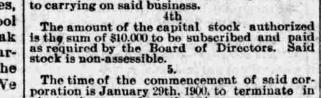
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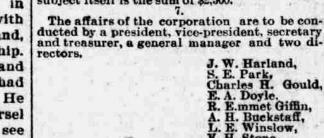
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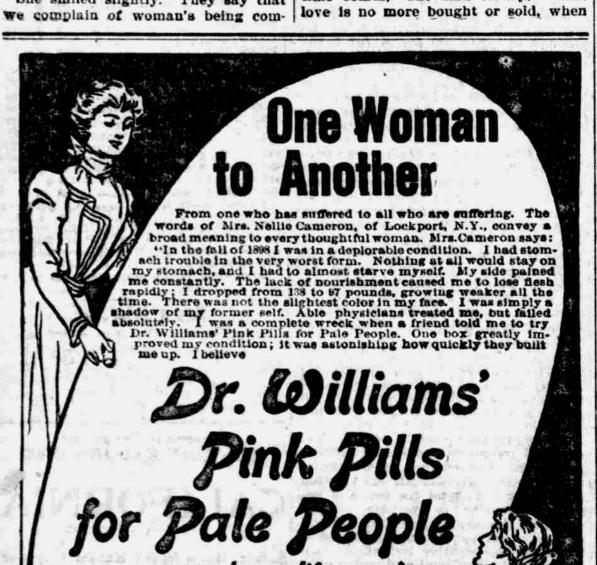
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see no deeper than his lawbooks and the chemist see no farther than the shiped, while they were still weak on windows of his laboratory, and they may do their work well. But the woman who does woman's work needs a many sided, multiform culture. The heights and depths of human life must not be beyond the reach of her vision. She must have knowledge of men and though speaking to herself than to him: things in many states, a wide catholicity of sympathy, the strength that if man does not become extinct? You springs from knowledge and the magwill have brought justice and equality nanimity that springs from strength. on the earth and sent love from it. We bear the world, and we make it. The souls of little children are marwill love no more. Your highly culvelously delicate and tender things and keep forever the shadow that first falls not love. on them, and that is the mother's, or, at best, a woman's. There was never a great man who had not a great mothhusbands one after another and folds er. It is hardly an exaggeration. The first six years of our life make us. All and the Lord hath taken away, and that is added later is veneer. And yet some say if a woman can cook a dinshe looks for another. It is the hard

ture enough. "The mightlest and noblest of human work is given to us, and we do it ill. Send a navvy to work into an artist's studio and see what you will find there! And yet, thank God, we have this work," she added quickly. "It is the one window through which we see into the great world of earnest labor. The meanest girl who dances and dresses becomes something higher yet more than for any other that we when her children look up into her face and ask her questions. It is the only education we have and which and watched with her sad, soft eyes they cannot take from us."

ner or dress herself well she has cul-

time comes," she said slowly, "when She smiled slightly. "They say that



Fools! Before men forgave or wor small carved box. their hind legs, did they not eat and drink and fight for wives? When all the latter additions to humanity have | it out.

vanished, will not the foundation on carefully.

The workmanship was better than will brush off. And sometimes what is that of the grave post. The flowers more amusing still than tracing the down. But supper had cheered Tant' that covered it were delicate, and here likeness between man and man is to and there small conical protuberances trace the analogy there always is bewere let in among them. She turned tween the progress and development of it round critically. Waldo bent over one individual and of a whole nation it lovingly.

not beautiful in themselves." "They relieve the monotony of the smooth leaves, I suppose." He shook his head as over a weighty

matter. ful. I have thought of that often. for a pretty woman. Is the old buggy But it is not monotony and it is not variety makes beauty. What is it? The sky and your face and this boxthe same thing is in them all, only You must teach me to drive. I must more in the sky and in your face. But learn something while I am here. what is it?

She smiled. find out what is beautiful and what is mend the harness." ugly, what is real and what is not. Why it is there and over the final cause

You must sniff after reasons, just as we are the moon. We turn always Boer woman, raising her hand a foot that dog must after a mole. He knows one side to them, and they think there perfectly well he will never catch it, is no other because they don't see it, but he's under the imperative necessity | but there is."

of digging for it." "But he might find it." "Might! But he never has and never will. Life is too short to run after mights. We must have certainties."

She tucked the box under her arm ful uncertainty depicted on his small and was about to walk on when Greg- countenance and one little foot poised ory Rose, with shining spurs, an ostrich feather in his hat and a silver master or go? He looked at the figure headed whip, careered past. He bowed gallantly as he went by. They ward the house, and he looked up at waited till the dust of the horse's hoofs his master. Then he put down the lithad laid.

"There," said Lyndall, "goes a true them both in at the door and then woman, one born for the sphere that walked away alone. He was satisfied some women have to fill without be- that at least his dog was with her. ing born for it. How happy he would

be sewing frills into his little girl's frocks, and how pretty he would look sitting in a parlor, with a rough man making love to him! Don't you think 80 ?"

master," Waldo answered, not able to

of mealle dust! No; never mind. It

or, again, between a single nation and who died." said Tant' Sannie. "My "There is one strange thing about the entire human race. It is pleasant mother's stepbrother's child was marit." he said earnestly, putting a finger when it dawns on you that the one is ried to her father's brother's steptured women will not be lovable, will on one little pyramid. "I made it just the other written out in large letnephew's niece." without these, and I felt something ters and very odd to find all the little was wrong. I tried many changes, follies and virtues and developments knew we were related." and at last I let these in, and then it and retrogressions written out in the was right. But why was it? They are big world's book that you find in your nie, now fairly on the flow, "who had little internal self. It is the most the cancer cut out of her breast by the amusing thing I know of, but of course, other doctor, who was not the right being a woman, I have not often time doctor they sent for, but who did it for such amusements. Professional quite as well."

duties always first, you know. It takes "The sky is monotonous," he said, a great deal of time and thought al-"when it is blue, and yet it is beauti- ways to look perfectly exquisite, even still in existence, Waldo?" "Yes, but the harness is broken."

"Well, I wish you would mend it. got the Hottentot girl to show me how

to make 'sarsarties' this morning and "So you are at your old work still. Tant' Sannie is going to teach me to Why, why, why? What is the reason? make 'kapjes.' I will come and sit It is enough for me," she said, "if I with you this afternoon while you

"Thank you." "No: don't thank me. I come for my of things in general I don't trouble my- own pleasure. I never find any one I self. There must be one, but what is can talk to. Women bore me, and men if you opened the bottle in the room it to me? If I howl to all eternity, I I talk so to-'Going to the ball this shall never get hold of it, and if I did evening? Nice little dog that of yours. I might be no better off. But you Pretty little ears. So fond of pointer Germans are born with an appetite for ups!" And they think me fascinating, burrowing. You can't help yourselves. | charming! Men are like the earth, and

with the wide straw hat moving to-

tle naw and went. Waldo watched

CHAPTER XVIII.

OREGORY WRITES A LETTER.

it for a month and it wouldn't get done, and the same medicine was good They had reached the house now. for all sorts of sicknesses-croup, mea-"Tell me when you set to work," she sles, jaundice, dropsy. Now you have said and walked toward the door. to buy a new kind for each sickness. Waldo stood to look after her, and The doctors aren't so good as they Doss stood at his side, a look of painused to be."

"No, aunt," said the young man, who was trying to gain courage to stick out in the air. Should he stay with his his legs and clink his spurs together. He did so at last.

> Tant' Sannie had noticed the spurs before, but she thought it showed a nice, manly spirit, and her heart warmed yet more to the yoath.

> > [Continued next week.]

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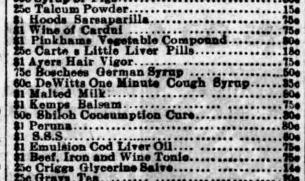
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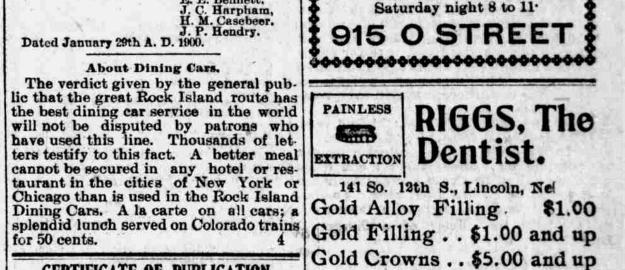
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