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Holding a Husband

Adele Garrison's New Phase of

Revelations of a Wife

How the Minutes Slipped Away to Madge's Delight.

"You must pardon my delay," she and, apologetically, "but you see I am alone this morning and I was

putting some biscuits in the oven. I had to wait to remove my floury

fnings and see that my fire was safe

before coming in. If you are a stranger here you probably do not

know that we burn pine mostly, and

it is treacherous stuff. And fire is

the one bugbear of our existence

down here." She spoke in the most ordinary tone, evidently giving me only the explanation of her delay which she

considered my due. But my throat constricted as I visioned the round

of arduous duties which must be

hers, the constant terror of fire and

other things which must hover over her in the lonely life which I saw

now was her constant portion. "I am a stranger, certainly," I re-

turned, smiling, "and I have yet to associate anything but beauty with

that is, if it won't make you any

telephone office told me you some-

stead of to the more pretentious tea room a half mile down the street.

And I shall be most happy to give

you a cup. Don't you think it might be a good plan, however, to wait for the biscuits? They will be done

in 15 minutes or so, and-I really

her blazing fire. I fancied that be-hind her placid face was a hard-won

pilosophy of life which could teach my chafing spirit many things. "I haven't heard anything as nice as that in a long time," I said heart-

ily, casting about for some way of making the single cup more remu-nerative without offending her. "But it won't be perfect unless you join me. Won't you be my guest for tea?" I said, trying to make my tone significant without being ob-

trusive. She flushed slightly, but met my eyes bravely. "I shall be glad to do so," she said.

simply, "and I thank you for the thoughtfulness. You evidently be-

tong to that rare sisterhood of those who always see-and help. Now, if you will excuse me a moment, I will

put my kettle on with fresh water. I ma always most particular to have freshly drawn water to boil for my

"I see we are kindred fussers," I

said, as she wheeled her chair toward her kitchen again, and I heard her

"Mrs. Hollis is a very good friend

times served it in the mornings."

little distance from me.

Betty Kane smiled cheerily at me

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gurgling little laugh of appreciation from the next room. I didn't offer to help her, for I guessed that she was proud of her ability to perform her tasks unaided, so I simply sat quictly by the fire until she came back again. "May I look at your postals?" I

asked, pumping up an apparent in-terest. I do not much care for picture postal cards, but I was determined to buy a liberal supply, and rack my brains for people to whom I could send them. "Oh, surely!" she said. "I think you will like this one."

She took from the case a card showing a single twig of the long-leafed pine, holding in the center of its long spines the oddest blossom I had ever seen. It looked fike a cluster of purple berries from which extended tiny fuzzy sticks of white, like miniature candles. It was really

beautiful, despite its queerness, and I expressed my admiration. "It is really a wonderful reprsenta-tion of the blossom," Miss Kane said. "You will see that for yourself when you look at the real ones. They are not quite in perfection yet, but in a week or two you will see them everywhere. Here is another card which has more delicate sprays of 'them, and here are views of the winding wood roads through the

pines." "How preferable these are," I said, delighted, "to the usual resort views

WHY-

Does Wood Float?

In the first place, all wood will not float. Some varieties-like ebony, lignum vitae and the like -will drop to the bottom almost as fast as a piece of lead. So it is apparent that the faculty for floating, for remaining on the surface of the water, is not one which is inherent in wood itself. It must have something to do with the construction of the wood.

If we take two containers, of precisely the same size, and fill one of them with water and the other with a block of ordinary wood, so cut that it completely fills the container, we will find that there is a material difference in weight. The one containing the water is considerably heavier than the one filled with wood, or, applying another term to the same thing, the water is more 'dense" than the wood. By the operations of the law of gravity the denser object will always tend to get below the level of that which is less dense. So, even if we hold a piece of wood under water, it will spring back to the surface when released—unless it remains below sufficiently long for it to get "water-soaked." In this case the weight of the wood itself, plus the weight of the water which it contains, is greater than that of the water which it laces. The same effect could obtained by compressing the wood so that the air is expelled from between the fibers. The compressed block would then sink-which is the reason that a few extremely close-grained woods will not float when placed Monday-Why Do We Speak (Monday-Why Do We Speak of the Three R's?)

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