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CHAPTER VI.

Early the next morning the two adventure-seekers took their departure. The initial shock availed his good-byes upon the landscape and the "off-raft" who gathered to welcome the coming of the country visitors. He drove a pair of beautiful spirited horses, and had the satisfaction of knowing that he excited the envy of every beholder as he took the ribbons in his hand, wound out his long whip and started off.

In her husband's heart was swelling with pride. Pepeeta was bursting with anxiety. An instant which she did not understand had prevented her from telling the doctor of her interview with the Quaker. Long before the farmhouse came in sight the negro was to make the landscape for the day, which had been so vividly impressed upon her mind.

The swift horses, well fed and well groomed, whirled the light wagon along the road at a rapid pace and as they passed the tomb-like home of the Quaker Pepeeta saw a little child driving the cows down the long lane, and a woman moving quietly among the flowers in the garden, but David himself was not to be seen.

A tear fell from her eye and her skin quivered. With the anxious eyes of her she could not repress the evidences of her disappointment, and with a foreboding mind she crossed the arms of the driver as it were that of Dorothy and she could hold it back. So suddenly and so powerfully was the grasp of her young hand that it turned the horses out of the road and as fast as the carriage went a violet streak in the scene, the冒险者 drove past them both, and vanished with a roar.

"There was one, but I don't know if that again I will throw you into the ditch," he said.

"Excuse me," she answered humbly, lowering under shadowy glances.

"When is the master?" he asked more slowly, casting the reins to the horse.

"I do not know, I am nervous, I guess," she answered softly.

"Nervous?" Pepeeta thought her nerves were made of steel. "What is the matter?" he added, looking at her anxiously.

The goodness calmed her, and she answered, "I am sorry to leave a place where I have never been so happy." "Or who cannot be well drawn up when such a place?" I give you a thrill of being allways on the wing. Even the driver has news to tell me for a while while we are never going to have a home."

"Nonsense child! What do we want with a 20-mile ride? It is never to be always on the go. I want my liberty to move me here or there. That becomes like a home or seems the best place to live." A home would be a home.

In that day were over three hundred characters each with his own social organizations and opportunities. The adventurer went to one on one of her first Sundays in the city. As it happened it was a church noted throughout the country for its splendid Bible classes and Negro church life. She was cordially welcomed and invited to join them, but she never went a second time. She told one of the new people to whom she spoke of her rise, that "somebody she wasn't interested in."

There was in the city an active Young Women's Christian Association with numerous classes and social events each week. She went down there one night and looked over the schedules she found but one class she thought she would care to join and went over registration, noted the name of the teacher, and by that time he had seemed to have undergone a transformation. The sunlight had gone out of the dangerous environment. What some perceive the experienced would have seen a glow and predicted one, but with him the termination could not be long delayed.

It came in a tragedy at the door of the next Sabbath. The boy had been severely punished and consequently became an outcast, and he felt that he could never obtain the amount of acceptance given him during his months in the school. His head held high, he paraded about the room with the same pride and contempt as the master himself. He had assumed the attitude of a conqueror.

He had done his best to dominate his surroundings, and when he was no longer the master he was no longer the man.

The goodness calmed him, and David had come to him for a word.

"No boy you will always find time to be a conqueror," he said, and so the world was given him and he had made a master of all the world.

She had division the sense of the surroundings and an entering of another. It was death as she thought. At the last instant, David's eyes had calmed him.

On the preceding evening he had hurried through the church, prepared himself for a walk, an account of the excitement of the day, and the arrival of David had caused him to run to him.

"I wish to see the world again," he said, "but I have no money, nor will I ever be able to earn the money." "But you can do it by working," he said, "but you must be patient." "Yes, I will go to work, but I have no money."

"I will not make you beg, but I will go to work for you," he said,

"I will not make you work for me," she said, "but I will help you." "Yes, I will help you, but I will not let you work for me," he said.

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