

# B E B E,

OR

## TWO LITTLE WOODEN SHOES

BY OUDIA.

Continued from last week.

"Please comes up—pusses a second—then went away with a thump in her heart."

He had not seen her.

"It is natural, of course—he has his world—he does not think often of me—there is no reason why he should be as good as he is," she said to herself as she went slowly over the stones.

She had the dog's soul—only she did not know it.

But the tears fell down her cheeks, as she walked.

Fasting, next day at sunrise, she confided to Father Francis:

"I saw beautiful rich women, and I envied them—I could not pray. G. Mary had night for thinking of them—for I hated them so much."

But she did not say:

"I hated them because they were with him."

Out of the purest little soul, love entering drives forth canes.

"That old man like you all, Babes," said the aged old man, as she knelt at his feet on the bricks of his little banyan house, where all the books he ever spent out were treasured on the art of bee keeping.

"My dear, you never were even close to all, nor did you ever even care for the things of the world. You did not give you these sweet buckles, and I think they have set your little soul on vanity."

"It is not the buckles; I am not covetous," said Babes; and then her face grew warm. She did not know why, and she did not hear the rest of Father Francis' admissions.

### CHAPTER XI.

But the next noon brought him to the market stall, and the next eve, and so the summer days slipped away, and Babes was quite happy if she saw him in the morning time, to give him a fresh rose, or at evening by the gates, or under the banyan trees, when all the books he ever spent out were treasured on the art of bee keeping.

An innocent, unconscious love like Babes' wants to little food to make it all content. Such mere trifles are beautiful and sweet to it. Such slender stray glances of light suffice to make a broad, bright, golden sun perfect it.

All the ardor and fever and desire, and deepest passion in maturing power, far away from it, far as is the dash of the center across sultry skies from the blue bosom of the brown meadow brook.

It was very wonderful to Babes that he, this stranger from Rubes' Fairytale, could come at all to keep with her, little chattering words, those sweetest and the greatest, those daintiest, those twitchee. The days went by in a train of sweet aches, and more kept count of the hours now more by the cuckoo clock of the mill house or the deep chimes of the Brussels belfries, but only by such moments as brought her a word from his lips, or even a glimpse of him from afar, across the crooked paths.

Sits up half nights reading the books he gave her, studying the long, cruel polygraphs and spelling slowly through the phrases that seemed to her so cramped and tangled, and yet were a pleasure to unravel, for sake of the thought they held.

For Babes, ignorant, little, simple soul that she was, had she not been the wiser, sharper, deeper, quick to acquire, sharp to retain, and it would happen in certain times that Phoenician, speaking to her of the things which he gave to her to read, would think to himself that this child had more wisdom than was often to be found in schools.

Meanwhile he pondered various studies in various stages of a Gretchen, and made love to Babes, and she was very surprised by his voice, not hurrying his pleasure, but hovering about her softly, and timidly not to scare her, as a man will gently lover his hand over a pose, but rather he seeks to kill, and which yet one single movement, a thought too quick.

Babes knew where he lived in the streets of Mary of Burgundy: In an old place that became a house, where the roof was saggy, and the door was dim, and there himself, but to ask nothing about him—why he was there! what he really was? why he stayed in the city at all? was a sort of treason that never entered her thoughts.

Psychic, if she had been as simple and loyal as Babes was, would never have lighted her own candle; but even Psycho would not have borrowed my one else's lamp to lighten the path of life.

To Babes he was sacred, unapproachable, unquestionable; he was a wonderful, perfect happiness that had fallen into her life; he was a gift of God, as the sun.

She took his going and coming as she took that of the sun, never dreaming of reprising his absence, never dreaming of asking if the sun might not be gone on my other worlds than here.

He was hardly so much a faith with her as an instinct, faith must reason as it knows itself to be faith. Babes never dreamt any more than for rods did.

The good folks in the market place watched her a little anxiously; they thought ill of that little mesa road that every day found its way to the market, and the neighbors nothing at all. For he never went home, but with her, and most of the time that he spent with Babes was in the quiet evening shadows, as she went up with her empty basket through the deepest country roads.

It was a hard day long in the city, indeed, as other girls went with it, he had always been with her up to the day of his death, and after his death she had sat in the same place, surrounded by the people she had known from infancy, and an insult to her would have been answered by a stroke from the cold, sharp steel of the market knife.

There was a girl only who ever tried to let her any harm—a good looking, stout wench, who stood at the corner of the Montagne de la Cour with a stall of fruit in the summer time, and in winter time drove a milk cart over the snow. This girl would get at her sometimes and talk to the students and tell her all the news of the city, and then go off on a holiday, and go to any one of the villages where there was Kermesse and dance, and drink the little wine, wine, and have trinkets bought for one, and come home in the moonlight in a char-abane, with the horns sounding, and the lads singing, and the ribbons flying from the old horse's ears.

"She has such a little close ey'd thing!" thought the fruit girl merrily. To this, Babes must always seem only a superfluous kind of chicanery.

"We dance almost every evening, the children and I," Babes had answered when urged fifty times by this girl to go to fairs and balls at the temples. "That does just as well. And I have never known once at Malines it was beautiful. I went with Mere Dax, but it cost a great deal I know, though she did not let me pay."

"You little fool!" the fruit girl would say, and grin, and eat a pear.

But the good honest old women who sat about the grande place hearing, had always been asked to sit back to when they got her by herself.

"Leave the child alone, you mischievous one!" said they. "Be content with being have yourself. Look you, Babes—she is not one like you to make eyes at the law students, and pester the painter lad for a day's outing. Let her be, or we will tell your mother how you have been bad, and then you can't be sent to pick and thieve, while you can step up the stairs into that young French fellow's chamber. Oh, she's a fine beating you will get when she comes!"

Babes' mother was a fierce and strong old Brabantian, who exacted heavy reproofs with her daughter for every single plum and peach that she sent out of her dark sweet amber mouth, and she was a terror to the streets, and under the students' love glances.

So the girl took heed, and left Babes alone.

"What should I want her to come with us for?" she reasoned with herself. "She is twice as pretty as I am; Jules might take to her instead—who knows?"

So that she was more savage and yet trimmer, when she saw as she thought, Babes drifting down the flood of temptation.

"Oh, oh, you dainty one!" she cried one day to her. "So you would not take the nuts and mulberries that do for us common folk, because you had a mind for a fine plumb out of the oranges and lemons, and the like, well—I do not begrudge you. Only take care, remember, the nuts and mulberries last through summer and autumn, and there are bunches of them on every fair stalk and street

corner; but the pine—that is eaten in a day, in spring time, and its like does not grow in the hedge. You will have your mouth full of sugar an hour—and then, wh—syn will get you."

"I do not understand," said Babes, looking up with her thoughts far away, and scarcely hearing the words spoken to her.

"Oh, pretty little fool! you understand well enough," said Lisette, grinning, as she rubbed in a rash. "Does he give you fine things? You might let me see!"



### TIMBER LAND ACT JUNE 3, 1878. NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

Miss Margaret L. Baldwin,  
United States Land Office, 1  
Oregon City, Or., June 25, 1893.  
Notice is hereby given in compliance with the provisions of the act of Congress of June 3, 1878, entitled "An act for the sale of timber lands in the States of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory," Mrs. Margaret L. Baldwin, of Oregon City, County of Clackamas, State of Oregon, has this day filed in this office his sworn statement No. 2138, for the purchase of the NW 1/4 of Section No. 34, in Township No. 8, Range No. 4 E. and will offer proof to show that the land sought is more valuable for its timber or stone than for agricultural purposes, and to establish his claim to said land before the register and receiver of this office at Oregon City, Oregon, Wednesday, the 13th day of October, 1893.

J. T. APPERSON,  
Register.

7-24-93.

**NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.**

United States Land Office, 1  
Oregon City, Or., June 25, 1893.

Notice is hereby given that the following named settler has filed notice of his intention to make final proof in support of his claim, and that said proof will be made before the register and receiver of this office at Oregon City, Oregon, on Tuesday, August 28, 1893, viz.: George H. Holley Homestead Entry No. 8241, for the sale of timber lands in the state of California, Oregon, Nevada and Washington Territory.

He names the following witnesses upon whom he has laid his claim to said land before the register and receiver of this office at Oregon City, Oregon, Wednesday, the 13th day of October, 1893.

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