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BEAUTY AND BEAST

By MILDRED WHITE.

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Dulcie was the beauty, there could be no doubt about that, but whether Jim Harford or his dog, best answered to the latter description, Dulcie was undecided. Certain it is, that when she first heard of Him Harford, the girl indignantly exclaimed, "The Beast!"

And Aunt Dulcinea was shocked and horrified as usual.

Dulcie as a child had brought into the house various stray cats and shaggy dogs which she called her friends. Returning one day from an errand the girl was accompanied by a hulking mastiff which she pleasantly informed her frowning relative, had joined her in a walk.

"I was going down Lynden avenue," Dulcie said happily, "when this big fellow came running from the road to walk at my side." The mild and loving animal ending his scrutiny of Miss Dulcinea's face, gave a low and threatening growl, exhibiting fiercely his sharp and shining teeth. The elder woman paling suddenly, crept behind the shelter of the door, while Dulcie dropped upon her knees her arm caressing the dog's head.

"Emperor," she admonished, "don't be unreasonable, this is aunt's house, and she has a perfect right to be in it."

"Drive the brute away," snapped Miss Dulcinea behind the door. "Why do you call him that fool name?"

"It's on his collar," Dulcie cheerfully informed her.

"Emperor, property of Jim Harford, 202 Bale street. Bale street is away down in the lower part of the town and poor Emperor is covered with scars of battle. A nice kind of owner he must have to beat him so cruelly. Jim Harford—"

Dulcie's blue eyes rested on a huge welt on the dog's head.

"The beast," she exclaimed, and it was Jim Harford she referred to and not the dog. The animal, his grumbings ended in a loving whine, looked up at her in adoration.

"He's afraid I will take him back to that Harford person to be beaten again," she exclaimed indignantly. He might know that I would not—I am his friend."

"Friend," scoffed the exasperated Miss Dulcinea. She went determinedly to the telephone. It was a gruff voice with a German accent which answered.

"You'd better called up," the voice threatened, "before I gets the police after you. That dog is valuable. He guards our storehouses."

"The girl coaxed him away. I heard her. I was on de wagon. She visted, and Emperor vent. Den I lost dem. I'll come after him, yes—but I'll give that fog such a whipping—"

"Oh, you must not whip him, really," Dulcie heard her aunt's frightened voice saying, and in a whirl the girl had the telephone in her hand.

"I won't give up your dog," she said defiantly, "until I am sure he will have decent treatment hereafter. See if you can make me."

She did not await the expected angry reply, but replaced the receiver, facing her aunt with rose-flushed cheeks.

"I am going out," Dulcie announced, "to sit on the front steps beside that dog until the man comes."

On the broad stone step sat her niece, the mastiff's head against her shoulder. After an interminable time a car came swinging up the road and its driver descended. He was a young man of pleasing and correct appearance, Miss Dulcinea noted. And as the young man stood hat in hand, Dulcie gave him permission to be seated.

It was evident that an earnest conversation followed. Emperor after a time of speculative interest, shifted his vast bulk so that it rested confidently between the two. Dulcie raised her voice slightly at last, and the listening lady could hear, "Then you will see your dog is taken care of. It is a pity that you trusted him so long to your warehouse manager."

She laughed. "Evidently the man who beat your dog unmercifully was afraid to face one small woman, so he sent you."

And many weeks after this occurrence, Dulcie came, all rosy and shining eyed, to her aunt.

"I am going to marry Jim Harford," she announced. "You see I have become very much attached to Emperor, and as Emperor is a valuable dog, and as I really have no right as you said to harbor another man's property, why—"

"Dulcie, Dulcie," murmured the much-tried aunt, then tenderly she kissed her.

Four Poultry Demonstrations at Poultry Farms.

Hubert E. Cosby, extension

poultry specialist of O A C, will give a series of demonstrations at the four poultry demonstration farms in Linn county. The places and dates are as follows:

Clarence Williams farm, Lake Creek community, 9:30 a m, March 29.

A M Smith farm, Oakville community, 2:30 p m, March 29.

C B Chandler farm, Waterloo community, 9:30 a m, March 30.

Miss Bertha Beck, Riverside community, 2:30 p m, March 30.

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Methodist Church Notes

SUNDAY SCHOOL

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**The Star Envelope Service,
Halsey, Oregon.**

Everybody come EARLY at 10 o'clock Sunday morning for the evangelistic service conducted by Bro Bennard, which will be continued in an afternoon meeting. All the people from the country are requested to bring their lunch baskets for dinner in the Ladies' Aid room. And then come back for a great rally at 7:20. This will probably be the close of the series but not the revival. We are praying earnestly that our dear Lord will bring his message to many unsaved people in this community.

It we confess our sins, he is faithful and just to forgive us our sins, and to cleanse us from all unrighteousness. 1 John 1: 9. For we walk by faith, not by

sight. 2 Cor 5: 7.

For by grace are we saved through faith: and that not of your selves, it is the gift of God: not of works lest any man should boast. Eph 2. 8, 9.

Paul's obedience to the call of God. See Acts 26: 15-19.

The Booster S S class met at Mrs Mornhinweg's home on the afternoon of March 16th, with eight of the girls present. They conducted their regular business, ordered some class pins, played games, and had some nice refreshments.

Some of the friends are and have been quite sick; among them are Mrs Stevenson, Mrs Ribelin, Mrs Zimmerman, and Mrs Sturtevant.