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ONLY A FARMER'S DAUGHTER. By MRS. FORRESTER. Illustration of a woman in a dress.

CHAPTER VIII.—(Continued.) A sharp pang of subconscious shot across Flora's mind as she saw Lord Harold bending over her cousin. She had expected to find Winifred awkward and ill-dressed, and here she was, perfectly at her ease, and elegantly dressed. It was in Miss Champion's heart to treat her with slighting disdain, but Lady Grace was there, and she could not forget her good breeding to gratify her spleen. So she walked straight up to where her cousin was sitting and held out her hand, as though there had never been anything else but the most cozy friendship between them.

Winifred was fairly distressed; great drops welled into her eyes for sympathy. "Don't cry, dear Fae—what is it?—what ails you?" It was starting to see the gay, insouciant little fairy in such a plight.

"What is the use of talking like that?" Miss Alton cried, with feverish petulance. "Why don't you congratulate me?—it is a splendid match."

"I love you, Fae. I cannot describe you. If you do not care for him—and you cannot love a man like that—all his money will not make you happy."

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"I think he mentioned the name of Hastings. If I recollect rightly it was something in connection with a yacht in Constantinople."

"I am sorry, Hastings took it into his head to leave England," interposed Lord Harold Erskine. "He was one of the nicest, most gentlemanly fellows I ever met with. He entertained us in a princely way at the Court last month."

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CHAPTER IX. And yet the very next night Fae tapped at Winifred's door, and when it was opened she went quickly in, and, throwing herself in a chair, burst into tears.

FATAL FLOOD Eastern Oregon Cloud-burst Kills Many.

HEPPNER RECEIVES THE FULL FORCE OF THE DELUGE. The flood came almost instantly and lasted one hour. The people thought it was only a repetition of the cloud-burst a few days ago, and were not alarmed until it was too late.

Many people slept in the courthouse last night, and any place they can make a bed. Many people are arriving at Heppner. There are no beds, and visitors will be compelled to rough it while they stay.

Between Ione and Heppner, said Mr. Conner, "there are great piles of debris, but the flood passed so quickly that the roads have not been seriously damaged. The railroad track, however, from Lexington on is badly torn up."

Immediately after the fatal flood had wiped the major portion of Heppner out of existence, swift couriers on horseback sped to warn the residents of the valley toward the Columbia of the coming peril.

The entire residence portion of Heppner was destroyed, but the business houses, being on higher ground, and being generally built of brick and stone, were not so badly damaged.

The schoolhouse and courthouse, which stand on a sidehill, were saved, but two churches, the Methodist and Presbyterian, were completely wrecked.

A relief train sent from The Dalles reached Ione last night and will proceed to Heppner as soon as possible. A wrecking train, with gangs of men to repair both the tracks and telegraph wires left last night.

Water was 15 feet high in Heppner's streets and rose over the new courthouse wall. It came down Palm Fork, chiefly, but was a torrent on all hillsides. Enormous piles of rock and gravel have been washed down the canyon five miles up on Butter creek.

DEMAND REMOVAL

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Some papers are demanding that Payne should go, and that Bristow be named for his place, in order to cleanse properly the Postoffice Department. When these demands become general, and come from republicans and independent newspapers, their effect will no doubt be felt, and the Postmaster-General will do as Alger did—relieve the administration of the strain.

Waterloo, Ia., June 22.—While going at a terrific rate and turning on a curve unaware of the approach of a freight train, passenger No. 2—east-bound, of the Illinois Central, crashed head-on into the freight. Nine persons were killed and both engines reduced to junk.

The passenger train had orders for the right of way, the freight crew having misunderstood the workings of its orders. The passenger was going at the rate of 50 miles an hour. The collision took place upon a sharp curve and it is stated that the engineers were not aware of the approach of opposing trains until within a few feet of each other.

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Water rising at the rate of a foot an hour was creeping toward the top of the embankment when the alarm was given and several hundred citizens rushed to the aquia and began the work of strengthening it. They worked throughout the night.