



At the Turn of the Staircase She Paused.



SYNOPSIS.

"Mad" Dan Mattland, on reaching his New York bachelor club, met an attractive young woman at the door. . . .

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"He tilted over his eyes, one elbow on the chairback, another on the table, flabby lips quivering as he mumbled the indispensable cigar, puffy hands clasped across his ample chest, he sat for many minutes by the side of his unheeded drink, pondering, turning over and over in his mind the one idea it was capable of harboring at a time. . . .

ant as to be able to confuse the identity of the two men for a single instant. What thought they did resemble each other in form and feature? The likeness went no deeper; below the surface, and rising through it with every word and look and gesture, lay a world-wide gulf of difference in every shade of thought, feeling, and instinct. . . .

maligned, crouching, ready to spring there, in the shadow of night. . . . And her breath was smothered in her throat and her heart smote so madly against the frail walls of its cage that they seemed like to burst, while she stood transfixed, frozen in inaction, limbs stiffening, roots of her hair straining, fingers gripping the banister rail until they pained her; and with eyes that stared wide into the sick heart of nothingness, until the night seemed pricked with evanescent periods of dim fire, peopled with monstrous and terrible shadows closing about her. . . .

REBELS STILL ACTIVE. Unaware of Armistice, Troops Move On Mexican Capital. Mexico City, May 24. — Notwithstanding the official signing of the peace agreement, the capital is more nearly isolated tonight than since the inauguration of hostilities. . . .

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AND PROGRESS OF OUR HOME STATE. REGION GROWS FAST. Southern Oregon Is Rapidly Developing Varied Industries. Grants Pass—That Southern Oregon, with its varied resources, is making greater strides than any other section of the state, is the belief of H. L. Herzinger, a member of the city council of Grants Pass. . . .

PRUNE RETURNS BRIGHT. Willamette Valley Fruitmen Discuss Conditions. Salem—Members of the pool of the Willamette Valley Prunegrowers' association met Wednesday in this city, a good representation of the principal growers of this section being present to consider market and crop conditions of the prunes of this section. . . .

ALWAYS THE SAME ANSWER

Little Bride Simply Made Trouble by Asking Useless Question. It was a very warm night, and people in the boarding house had left their bedroom doors slightly ajar. . . .

NEW LAW INJURES WOMEN.

100 Matchmakers Discharged Because of 8-Hour Limit. Chico, Cal. — The Diamond Match company, operating big factories at Barber, a suburb of this city, will replace practically all its women employees with men, on account of the new eight-hour law. . . .

LEAGUE TO DEVELOP LAKE.

Local Clubs to Be Organized; Land Still Open to Entry. Lakeview—The Lake county development league is the name of the new organization that succeeds the Lakeview board of trade and which will bend its energies toward development of the entire county and peopling the large areas of government lands open to homestead and other entry. . . .

PRISON CONTRACT MADE.

Stove Foundry May Use But 200 Convict Workers. Salem—After several weeks of disagreement the differences between Governor West and Loewenberg, Goring & Co. have finally been settled and a new contract drawn up between the company and the state. . . .