

**THE COWBOY'S LOVE.**

Over the vast sun covered plains of Montana moved the Great Northern train. Cattle stood in stupid wonder or shook their horns and bawled away as it flew past. Woolly sheep, bunched together in countless thousands, scattered in gray clouds. Bands of wild horses, the Indian canyons, were taking their morning meal. The knight of the plains, the cowboy, rode a pony on a long, swinging lope without one backward look.

All this saw Louise Allen as she leaned from the car window and sniffed the new wine of the air. Her brown eyes sparkled and her red lips parted in a happy smile. For the first time she realized how narrow and pent up was the city life she had led in Boston.

To live to love, she whispered, will it come to me here in the great outdoors of God?

The train slowed up and she had hardly time to collect her wandering thoughts before her brother—big, brown, hearty Ben Allen—was beside her.

"Here we are, Lou," he said. "Min and the horses are just beyond this round up," indicating the station with a motion of his hand. "In a couple of hours we'll have you at the ranch."

Together they stepped from the car to the platform and mingled among a crowd typical of the plains. Indians in bright colored or solid white blankets, with many strings of beads about their necks and rings in their ears, stood in a row with their backs against the station house. There were cowboys, with sun browned faces, swaggering lank and forth, and groups of blue coated soldiers, both black and white, for a military post was not far away.

"This is the way we go," said Ben as the engines set off at a lively gait following one of the many buffalo paths that intersect the plains in every direction leading to a water course. Though it is many years since the lion roved the plains, these paths still remain deep trodden through the thick grass and pecked so firmly as to resist all attempts of verdure to cover them.

Riding at full speed directly down upon them were two cowboys on their way to the town of Great Falls.

"Look at the one in the white shirt," said her sister. "That is Dick Bennett, the cowboy artist."

"This is a queer place for an artist. What does he paint?" asked the Boston girl.

"Dick Bennett is no aesthetic artist," said her brother, "but wild and dissipated. He paints things as they are—the finest pictures of Indians and cowboys ever made."

Louise Allen leaned forward in her seat to see what this man of the plains, this cowboy artist, was like.

She saw a sun browned face, whose smooth contour was marked by lines and traces of the storms and passions that had swept over it. Nor joy, nor pleasure, nor peace, looked from the gray eyes, but a something so akin to pain that it stirred her heart in spite of herself. Handsome, yes, with all the traces of sin upon the face that looked out from his broad forehead, but it was one to live for—yes, to die for—thought the girl, and his dress lent to it a picturesque charm.

The white flannel shirt, whose collar was rolled back from a strongly rounded throat, the knotted sash about his waist, the high top boots, with the spurs that made a little tinkling sound, the strangeness, the newness of the surroundings, all appealed to the romantic nature of the girl.

Ben held up his hand, and the cowboy artist drew rein beside them. When he spoke to her, it seemed to the girl that she expanded with new life, and when she turned her brown eyes full upon him in all their luring witchery Dick Bennett turned his face earnestly away that she might not see the white excitement upon it.

Their meetings were frequent after this. He told her how he began to paint; how, in company with another cowboy, he had charge of a herd of cattle on a ranch on the plains owned by a man in Helena.

During the severe winter of 1890 the owner asked for a statement of the herd's condition. His companion was afraid to tell of the disasters that had befallen them.

"I answered it, Louise," said Dick, "by taking a pencil. I drew on a piece of paper the picture of a steer in a storm, starved, lean and hardly able to stand, and wrote under it, 'The last of 5,000.' That was our answer, and that picture made me an artist. It was photographed and sold by thousands."

She saw him painting on the top of barrels, anywhere, when the inspiration was on him, and every day she loved him more. Each day she went to their meeting place, and the sun traced the pattern of the cottonwood tree's leaves on the grass at her feet, but Dick Bennett came not. Every night she sought to rest she murmured, "Sweet, sweet tomorrow will bring him to tell me that he has decided to leave these plains and go with me to study art." So a month went by and despair was fast seizing upon her. She had gone for the last time to the scene of their love and sank on her knees beside the cottonwood tree, a great agony on her features.

On the other side of the tree lay Dick Bennett watching her, the muscles of his mouth twitching painfully for a moment. Then he drew himself up to his feet. The two lifted their heads at nearly the same moment and looked full into each other's eyes. What did they read there? Was the silence between them the sweet silence of love when she has all to give? The girl's silence was that of head, for she knew that whether both went or one staid, all her heart, all her thoughts, would remain with him on these plains where she had loved, and God pity her, where she still lived in spite of all her struggles.

The man's was that of despair, his wayward past a grave between them. He could not see the future of the woman he adored by dragging her into it. He had fought his fight. The strong touch of chivalry in his nature had triumphed. He would stay with his plains, his horse, his guns, his brush, such as he could not pollute, and she, God help her, she must go.

"Honors are easy, my girl, but not for such as me. There is a dividing line between the good and the bad. I'm on one side and you're on the other. I can't cross to you, and I swear to God by my love for you never to drag you over to me. I stay and you go."—Mrs. Hester Vance in Boston Transcript.

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