

IN A DRIZZLING RAIN

By HOPE AINSLEE.

A soft drizzling rain was during the roses in Constance Atwood's cheeks to come out and get wet. And she walked briskly through the damp cinder path in Central park.

It was Saturday afternoon and Constance had promised herself that she would finish knitting the last of her six pairs of socks for the soldier boys before the Wednesday boat should have sailed. Her small brother and sister, being prevented by the rain from playing out of doors, would demand the attention of Sister Constance if she were at home. Therefore she decided to seek the shelter of a summer house in the park, where on a day like this she was sure to be alone.

A beautiful girl sitting alone in a summer house on a cold, drizzling day knitting socks is not an everyday picture. Indeed it was such an unusual sight to Donald Grey when he came upon it that he almost stopped in his course to stare.

Constance looked up casually as he passed and her calm, level gaze met his; then she dropped her eyes, continued her knitting and the man strode on through the winding path.

But the man's peace of mind had been disturbed. Only his deep-rooted sense of chivalry kept him from retracing his steps for one more look at the lovely girl. He realized that he had only a slender chance in a thousand of seeing her again, and yet at that moment he could think of no other person whom he so desired to see again—and often.

Suddenly his musings were abruptly interrupted by the approach of a big Irish park policeman leading a small child reluctantly by the hand. The officer had to stoop to keep a hold of the tiny tot.

"Go! a lost kid!" he said laughingly to Donald.

Donald looked at the pretty little girl. "Fine day for a youngster like that to be alone in the park, isn't it?"

"Fine for the pneumonia!" Says her ma's knitting and she run off," volunteered the policeman further.

Donald Grey paled a little. "Knitting, did you say? Her—her mother?"

"Sure! Why not? Ain't they all a-doin' it day an' night for Tommy Atkins and the folks of him?" asked the officer.

"I saw a young woman back in the summer house—a-knitting," said Donald.

"Where?" asked the policeman, alertly.

"I'll show you—it's quicker," and Donald led the way back to the summer house.

The little one trotted beside the big policeman and Donald, humming gayly. She seemed not to care who her protectors were, so long as she was having a little excitement. Donald could see that much in the tot's eyes.

When she saw the trio approaching Constance stopped knitting and stared. But Donald could see at a glance that she had not lost anybody's baby. She looked from one to the other as the three drew close.

"Askin' yer pardon, lady, but did ye lose this kid?" asked the policeman.

Constance laughed. She shook her head. "No, indeed, I didn't. Is the poor baby lost?"

"She sure is—says her ma's a-knitting and she run away—"

"Ma's doin' that," said the child gayly, pointing to Constance and her knitting.

"Is she, dear?" asked Constance—and Donald realized that she had the voice, too, of his ideal. "And where did you leave your mamma?"

"The child made a vague gesture. "Over home with lots o' ladies all knittin' and—"

The policeman took the child again by the hand. "Come on, kid, you'll catch cold out here. I'll find her ma all right. Much obliged." And the big policeman and the little one walked off in the drizzling rain.

Donald Grey raised his hat. "I'm sorry—"

"Oh, it was quite natural, I'm sure. Don't apologize. I only hope they find the baby's mother soon. It's not a day for little ones to be out."

The girl's tone dismissed him and Donald strode on. This time he felt desperate. If he had wanted to know her after a single glance at her, he longed more than ever now that he had seen her smile, and heard her speak, had stood before her.

He would have felt utterly hopeless if he had not been a firm believer in the good Presbyterianism that everything that happens is for the best. It was this way he was to meet her, never to see her again, why—that was all. If she were meant for him—and with his youthful, hopeful outlook on life, he believed she was—he would find her somewhere.

For nearly two years he sought her, and then, at a benefit dance given to aid the widows and children of soldiers who had fallen in the war, he was presented to her by a patroness of the evening.

"At last, Miss Atwood," he said.

And although the girl only smiled, he had the satisfaction of seeing in her eyes a glad look, as if she too, had been hoping. "And if it is fate," he said to himself in a flash "of course, she has been hoping, too."



"The time will come when your wish will be a new home. Save money now."

Small savings have been in many instances the means of making the first payment on a home.

The fact that you have a Bank account brings about a confidence which results in better terms of purchase than you could make if you did not save. It is not so much the money as it is the standing a Bank account gives you—That's where we can help you. Begin with one dollar.

The Bank of Manning.

THERE IS A Reason!

Our Mule Pen, Buggy Repository, Harness and Wagon Houses are Full. We are today doing business with a thousand satisfied customers who were directed to us by their fathers and grandfathers.

Fourth Car Mules

to arrive next Monday. A look, and our price, and goods make you a customer—Guess the Reason.

D. M. Bradham & Son

7 PER CENT Farm Loans!

We are in the Market for loans upon improved farm lands in South Carolina at seven per cent. annual interest. Loan values restricted to an amount within forty per cent. of the appraised value of the land alone. The terms of the loan will be five years, with an annual repayment of principal based on the security in each loan.

Opportunity to Assist Your Local Banker

The majority of banks doing business in South Carolina were organized for the purpose of handling commercial loans and not investment loans. We do not handle commercial loans, but investment loans exclusively. If the loan you have with your local bank has been standing until it is in reality an investment proposition, we suggest that you convert the same into five year mortgage on your real estate, thereby procuring a lower rate of interest and relieving your local bank.

Upon request we will be glad to mail you application blank.

CAROLINA BOND & MORTGAGE CO.

Union National Bank Building, Columbia, South Carolina.

Authorized Capital \$250,000.

- Chas. H. Barron, President.
- H. A. Kahler, Vice President.
- T. B. Stackhouse, Vice President.
- L. M. Hawkins, Secretary and Treasurer.
- T. F. Sherwood, Assistant Secretary and Treasurer.
- Barron, McKay, Frierson & Moffat, General Counsel.
- Charlton DuRant, Manning, S. C., Local Counsel.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children In Use For Over 30 Years Always Bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Stearns*

The Soldier's Ignorance.

The soldier's ignorance is not always restricted to the place in which he is fighting. The prospect of having to regard the khedive as an enemy reminds one of an anecdote of the Sudan campaign. It was after the fall of Om-ferman; the khediva was being pursued, and there was a false report that he had been captured. "Hooryay, Bill!" one British soldier was heard to shout to another; "we've got the bloom'n' kaidiff!" Tommy was in charming ignorance of the fact that he had been marching under the khedive's flag ever since he had started on the campaign.—London Chronicle.

BUSINESS LOCALS.

BEST TRUCK SEED—Grown especially for seed. Any variety the following: Cucumber 55c lb; Canteloupe; Rocky Ford grower, 55c; Melon, Watson, 40; any other Melon 35; Tomato \$1.35; Okra 25c; Corn, Weevil-proof, big yield, 1.00; dollar peck, bushel three. Cotton, up and down, selling 14c, bestest 11-d-r, dollar fifty bushel. Profit fifty to five hundred dollars acre trucking. Send 4 cents stamps for instructions. L. A. Stoney Allendale, S. C.

FOR SALE—A few Colonies of Bees in 8 frame hives. Will give each purchaser one section supper for comb honey. Price per Colony, \$7.00. R. S. Elliott, Silver, S. C.

Fifteen thousand Baby Chicks for Sale—Young strain Single Comb White Leghorns only. I will hatch 1,000 or more, every three weeks throughout the year. Place your order's now, 10c each in any quantity. Eggs for hatching \$1.00 per 15; \$5.00 per 100. A. C. Davis, Davis Station, S. C.

For Fire Insurance see R. C. and C. W. We's.

WANTED—Any young man or young lady, planning to attend Business College, soon, to write, or call, and see the editor of this paper. We have a Scholarship in the largest Business College in this State, which we have just accepted in exchange for advertising space. We can sell you this Scholarship at big discount and save you money. It is good for a complete Bookkeeping and Banking, or Short-hand and Typewriting course. If you want it, write us TODAY for additional information. Address "Editor," THE MANNING TIMES.

Pure Blooded White Wyandotte Eggs, \$1.00 per 15. W. S. Plowden

Notice to Taxpayers.

The time for making returns for taxation expired February 30th, but owing to a change in the law, many have failed to make their returns. In order to save the penalty being added, the County Board of Equalization authorized the Auditor to extend the time for making said returns until March 23rd, after which date a penalty of 50 per cent will be added to all property not returned as required by law. A. P. BURGESS, Auditor.

Money to Loan.

Applications received for loans from \$100.00 to \$10,000, on improved and unimproved town property and farm lands. Interest 8 per cent straight. Interest payable annually or semi-annually. Time: one to ten years. Applicants for loans will please give description, location, and valuation of property offered as security for loan. State improvements and valuation of same.

We want County representatives to receive applications for loans, appraise property, and serve as our exclusive representative. Attorney or real estate man preferred. Applicants for loans, and applicants for agencies positively required to furnish at least two character references and forward postage for 2c stamps, for application books, full particulars, and prompt reply. Write Southern Office, Southeastern Mortgage Loan Assn., Fourth Nat'l Bank Bldg., Atlanta, Ga.

FOLEY KIDNEY PILLS

FOR BACKACHE, KIDNEYS AND BLADDER

Bucklen's Arnica Salve

The Best Salve in The World.

A COLD CURED

FOR 50c.

ABSOLUTELY GUARANTEED.

If you want to get rid of that COLD or LAGRIPPE just purchase twelve of our Capsules, compounded by us. If taken as directed and they fail to cure, we will gladly refund your money.

DICKSON'S DRUG STORE.



There's a great variety of useful articles required in the kitchen for cooking purposes, and we have them all in superior quality. Kettles, Tea and Coffee Pots, Broilers, Sautépans, Fry Pans, Cake Tins, etc., we have in the most excellent make. They are of the finest block tin, and formed in a way that makes them most durable. Whether you need a whole kitchen outfit or an odd thing, it is here.

Plowden Hardware Company

Carolina Special To Chicago

THROUGH SLEEPING CAR DAILY
—VIA—
Southern Railway
PREMIER CARRIER OF THE SOUTH.
Queen & Crescent Route. Big Route.

SCHEDULE:
—WESTBOUND—

Lv. Charleston	8:00 A. M.
Lv. Summerville	8:43 A. M.
Lv. Branchville	10:20 A. M.
Lv. Orangeburg	10:55 A. M.
Lv. St. Matthews	11:24 A. M.
Lv. Columbia	12:55 P. M.
Ar. Cincinnati	10:55 A. M.
Ar. Chicago	9:00 P. M.

—EASTBOUND—

Lv. Chicago	8:55 A. M.
Lv. Cincinnati	6:35 P. M.
Ar. Columbia	4:45 P. M.
Ar. St. Matthews	6:05 P. M.
Ar. Orangeburg	6:35 P. M.
Ar. Branchville	7:15 P. M.
Ar. Summerville	8:48 P. M.
Ar. Charleston	9:40 P. M.

Excellent connections at Chicago with through trains for San Francisco, Los Angeles, Omaha, Denver, Portland, Seattle, Milwaukee, St. Paul and other points West and Northwest.

For passenger fares, schedules, tickets, etc., call on Southern Railway Ticket Agent.

W. H. CAFFEY, Division Passenger Agent, Charleston, S. C.
W. E. McGEE, Assistant General Passenger Agent, Columbia, S. C.

What Will The Harvest Be?

Have you ever stopped to think of what the harvest of your life's work will be? Are you storing away part of your money crop for the winters of old age and misfortune? An investigation will show that our bank would be an ideal place for keeping your funds safely. It's a good plan for every farmer to have a strong banking connection. You may want to borrow one of these days; we can negotiate the loan for you, on good security, at right rates and without any red tape. Drop in to see us next time you're in town. Make the call friendly—you don't have to do business every time you come in to say "hello."

Remember Us When You Have Money and We'll Remember You When You Need Money.
BANK OF TURBEVILLE.

Alcohu Railroad Co.

TIME TABLE, NO. 14.

Effective Sept. 1, 1914.	Train No. 2	Supersedes	Time Table No. 13
Station	Train No. 1	Train No. 3	Train No. 4
	Read Up.	Read Down.	Read Down.
Alcohu	Ar. 8:30 a.m.	Lv. 10:15 a.m.	Ar. 5:00 p.m.
McLeod	Lv. 8:20 "	" 10:20 "	Lv. 4:50 "
Harby	" 8:15 "	" 10:25 "	" 4:40 "
Durant	" 8:05 "	" 10:35 "	" 4:35 "
Sardinia	" 7:50 "	" 10:50 "	" 4:10 "
New Zion	" 7:40 "	" 11:30 "	" 4:00 "
Beards	" 7:35 "	" 11:10 "	" 3:50 "
Seloc	" 7:30 "	" 11:25 "	" 3:35 "
Paroda Jt.	" 7:15 "	" 11:40 "	" 3:20 "
Hudsons	" 7:10 "	" 11:55 "	" 3:10 "
Olanda	" 7:00 "	Ar. 12:05 p.m.	" 3:00 "

Train No. 1 and No. 4 are Passenger Trains.
Train No. 2 and No. 3 are Mixed Trains.
Daily except Sunday.
*****McLeods, Harby, Durants, Beards and Hudson are flag stations.
P. R. ALDERMAN, T. M.
Alcohu, S. C.

Invigorating to the Pale and Sickly

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head

Firestone

Has Done Better Than Meet Popular Price

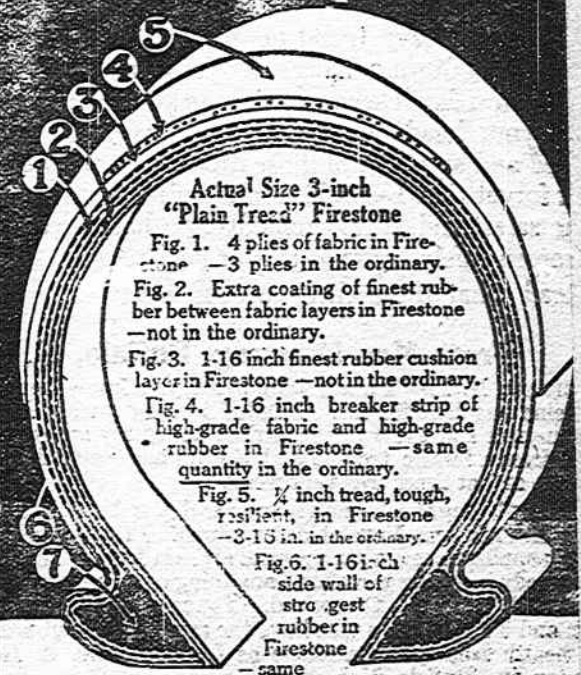


Fig. 1. 4 plies of fabric in Firestone—3 plies in the ordinary.
Fig. 2. Extra coating of finest rubber between fabric layers in Firestone—not in the ordinary.
Fig. 3. 1-16 inch finest rubber cushion layer in Firestone—not in the ordinary.
Fig. 4. 1-16 inch breaker strip of high-grade fabric and high-grade rubber in Firestone—same quantity in the ordinary.
Fig. 5. 1/4 inch tread, tough, resistant, in Firestone—3/16 in. in the ordinary.
Fig. 6. 1-16 inch side wall of stro gester rubber in Firestone—same quantity in the ordinary.

Fig. 7. Bead of extra cohesive strength in the Firestone—same size bead in others.

Study tire sections—and investigate the inside other tires before comparing prices. Ask any repair man, for instance. He cuts into all makes, knows who gives the most in quantity and quality materials and skilful building.

Yet Firestone prices are nearly down to the so-called "popular" priced tires. Why? Because of Firestone efficiency in production and distribution.

Volume and specialized production, in the large exclusive tire factory, with delivery at lowest cost per tire, give you Firestone Quality at the prices quoted below.

Get the Benefit in Your Next Tire Purchase.

Firestone Net Prices to Car-Owners

Case Size	Case Price	Case Price	Case Price	Case Price
30 x 3	\$ 9.50	\$10.55	\$2.20	\$2.50
30 x 3 1/2	11.90	13.25	2.50	2.90
32 x 3 1/2	13.75	15.70	2.70	3.65
34 x 4	19.90	22.30	3.90	4.40
34 x 4 1/2	27.30	30.55	4.30	5.40
36 x 4 1/2	28.70	32.15	5.00	5.65
37 x 5	35.65	39.90	5.95	6.70
38 x 5 1/2	46.00	51.50	6.75	7.55

FOR SALE BY

Sumter Motor Company
SUMTER, S. C.

NEW SPRING MILLINERY

The Clarendon Ladies are cordially invited to inspect the splendid Line of Spring Millinery now opened up at the establishment of THE MISSES WILKES, on Liberty Street, Sumter, S. C.

Miss Tong, one of the most experienced milliners that has ever been in Sumter is now with us and her reputation alone is a sufficient guarantee to the most exacting.

Call and look at our Barnyard Sailors, Tipperary Turbans and veils the very latest creations and which are so popular on the fashionable boulevards of the large cities.

We have gone to extra expense and care this season to give our patrons the Newest and Cutest and Smartest in Millinery, and our prices are within the reach of all who desire first class headwear.

Our store is at 83 W. Liberty Street, where hearty welcome awaits those who honor us with visit.

THE MISSES WILKES
Sumter, S. C.

For Sale

For Cash or on Time with Approved Collateral.

Nitrate of Soda, Acid Phosphate,

and Ammoniated Fertilizers with or without Potash. Better see us before placing your order.

MANNING OIL MILL
Manning, S. C.