

His voice was so low, so tender, that Mrs. Curtis ground her teeth in rage, and Uriah Devon felt his power ebbing away.

Tonnibel walked swiftly to Doctor John's side and slipped her hand into his.

"Those two said I couldn't even say good-by to—to—" She bowed her head against the kindly arm that supported her and for a moment was so agitated she could not proceed.

"Hush, dear," pleaded Pendlehaven. "Hush! Do you want to stay here?"

"Yes, oh, yes, sir, I do, indeed, sir!" she cried. "But—but—"

"Then you'll stay," the doctor told her in a voice low-pitched and stern. "If your father thinks—"

"I'm goin' to have my girl," gritted Uriah.

"Then you have the law at your hand to use, Mr. Devon," returned the doctor, "and you, Sarah, I'll ask you to attend to your own affairs after this."

"But, Cousin John," argued Mrs. Curtis, "she's the man's own child. Surely he has a right to—to—"

A sound of a bell pealing through the house cut off her words. Then came heavy footsteps in the hall. Before anyone could figure on the cause of this commotion, the door burst open and several uniformed men came in. When Uriah Devon caught sight of them, he made a dash for the window, but two heavy officers were on him before he was half way across the room. It took but a few minutes for the officials to explain to Doctor Pendlehaven that they had been trailing Devon for a long time, that he was wanted for a crime in Syracuse.

When they were leading him out manacled and deeply enraged, he turned on Tonnibel.

"I'll get even with you, miss," he snapped at her, his eyes full of hate, "and I'll get even with you too, mister." He threw the last half of his



He Caught Her Roughly.

sentence at Doctor John, whose only reply was a shrug of his shoulders.

During the struggle between the detectives and Uriah, Mrs. Curtis had clutched at Pendlehaven's neck, but he had cast her off without ceremony. Now the three were alone, Tonnibel, palpitating and fearful, Mrs. Curtis, sobbing on the floor, and Doctor John, looking at her sternly.

"Sarah," he said haughtily, "I saw the disgraceful way you were pulling this child's hair when I came in, and at last, much as I dislike doing it, I must ask you to leave my house."

"Leave?" Mrs. Curtis screamed. "Where would I go? I haven't a place in the world but this."

A careless gesture from Doctor John told Tonnibel that that fact didn't interest him. She slipped her hand into his. Lifting eyes that were broad and dark-circled, she begged:

"Let 'er stay, Cousin John. Mebbe she didn't know my daddy would have killed me if he'd got me back to the Dirty Mary."

Pendlehaven put his arm around her, and with a ring of fierceness in his voice, said:

"There, Sarah, there's pity for you. If you stay, it's because Tony Devon pleads for you, not because I have any sense of duty toward you. I hope you feel properly grateful."

The doctor strode to the door, opened it and motioned for her to be gone. Then weeping, she clattered away, her sobs audible even after the door was closed.

For a few moments Tony Devon wept silently in John Pendlehaven's arms.

"Oh, it's awful to have daddy taken away to jail," she moaned, "but he won't be good, he just won't!"

"You're much better off to have him away, little girl," soothed Pendlehaven.

(To be continued next week.)

Hindoo Frocks.

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Silent Court Hearing.

Vienna—The accused and all the witnesses in a case heard in police court here were deaf and dumb. The chairman of the entertainment committee of the home for the deaf and dumb was charged with having stolen the proceeds of a masquerade ball.

JOIN A CO-OPERATIVE BULL ASSOCIATION

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Weevil Picking.

Clemson College, May 9.—The purpose of bull associations is to bring about the rapid development of productive milk cows of good conformation. This is accomplished principally by the joint purchase, ownership, use, exchange, and sale of good purebred dairy bulls. A recent census report shows 203,000 milk cows in South Carolina. Most of these cows are not kept in dairies, but are used on farms and in villages to furnish the family milk supply. Not more than one-half of one per cent are purebreds. The majority of these milk cows do not carry enough dairy blood to give them a tendency to produce milk profitably; therefore the families owning such cows are without milk, except for a few months after their cows freshen. By introducing the blood of highly developed dairy cows through their sons the calves from our present milk cows may become handsome profitable cows.

The Organization.

A bull association consists of three or more communities owning at least three high class bulls. Each community is known as a block of this association. The number of members in each block will depend on the number of cows owned. Since each block should consist of 30 to 60 cows owned within one and one-half to two miles of the community center, one man owning 40 cows might form a block alone, while the next community might have 20 members owning a total of 50 cows. The association is managed by a board of directors consisting of one member selected from each block to serve one year. This board of directors manages and controls all the business and the association, makes proper arrangement of the blocks, selects, purchases, and sells the bulls of the association, fixes the rate of compensation for bull service, arranges for keepers and their compensation, and for the care and handling of bulls.

How to Organize an Association.

The success of a co-operative bull association depends largely on the care used in its organization. Before an organization is attempted, the farmers interested should obtain as much information as possible regarding the plan of operation. This information can be secured from the county agricultural agent or from the Extension Service of Clemson College. Active work by the county agricultural agent is necessary in order to perfect a bull association, since it takes the time of some one very much interested to see the members of the communities and get them together in a county organization.

After those interested have been informed as to the plans the county agent should call a meeting in each community suitable for a block. At this meeting the plan of operation of the bull association should be gone over and explained by the county agent, a dairy specialist, or a member of an association already in operation. Those present desiring to become members should sign an agreement somewhat like the following:

"We, the undersigned farmers of _____ county, realizing the need of more profitable dairy cows and the importance of purebred dairy bulls of good breeding, hereby agree to become members of the proposed co-operative bull association, provided that satisfactory constitution and by-laws can be drawn up and adopted and that a block can be formed with in reach of our farms."

At this community meeting a delegate or director should be elected to attend the county meeting at which a constitution and by-laws are drawn up and directors elected. This county meeting is held after all the communities interested have held their local meetings. The assessment for purchasing the bulls is levied by the directors equally on each block. This assessment may be apportioned to the members of the blocks in either of two ways. If there is a rather thick cow population among the members, the assessment may be made on each cow subscribed. If the members have only a few cows each, the assessment may be made on the "share" basis, each member taking an equal amount of stock. For example, suppose \$300.00 bulls are to be purchased. If there are ten members owning 30 cows in one block, the assessment on "per cow" basis would be \$10.00 for each cow subscribed. On the "share" basis, it would take \$30.00 worth of stock for each member in that block.

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2. Opportunity for line breeding by purchasing bulls suitably bred to breed to one another's daughters.

3. The exchange of bulls every two years, by means of which continued use of the bulls can be had until their value as breeders is proved.

4. The introduction of purebred cows.

5. The establishment of one breed in a county.

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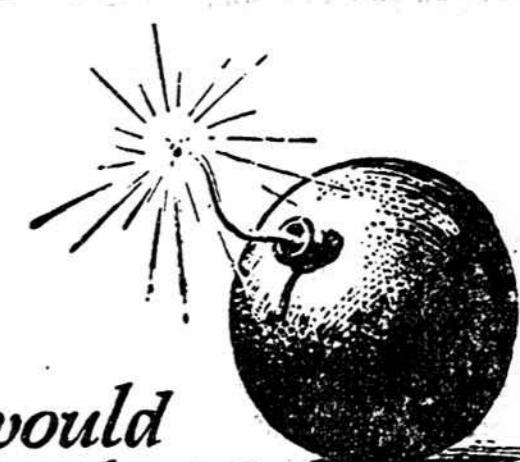
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