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By E. J. BURKE

"Miss Cecil Travers—Mr. Philip Saunders."
 Some benevolent individual introduced them at the Pen and Pencil Club. Saunders afterward spoke of him as "the hand of fate." But then he was under the sway of the blind god and so unaccountably for either his remarks or his eyeglasses.

It was certainly a case of love at first sight on the part of Saunders. When he looked down into the dark eyes raised so frankly to his own, he gave up his heart unconditionally. In all his thirty-five years nothing so sweet as the blood rushing so riotously through his veins as the firm, warm clasp of her hand.

But he was a quiet, self-controlled fellow, with a comparative born of years struggle up the uncertain literary ladder. So he did not hold the little hand a second longer than politeness demanded. There was no trace of eagerness in his manner as he sat down on the divan beside her and began to talk as few men and fewer women had heard him talk—brilliantly, with flashes of wit and sarcasm relieving the underlying earnestness of thought.

Cecil Travers was quite unconscious of the metamorphosis she was producing. She only thought that this blond man was not nearly as unapproachable as he looked. He was really charming, and what was the more remarkable, he did not talk about himself.

The girl found this an unusual experience. As reader of one of the magazines he wrote for, she had had many a writer of short stories, she had met many men of many minds. "Yet," as she said pathetically to herself, "the minds always seem to turn inward. How can they write about the world around them when they are so absorbed in self?"

Her wonder grew when she discovered that he, too, was an author. She remembered now seeing his name signed to several clever sketches. He never tried any of the Symposium. Cecil could not know that the "something else" was the novel which was the work of many months and which was even then seeking a publisher. Not even to her dared he trust himself to speak of this child of his hopes. If the world gave it a welcome, ah, then! His thoughts were busy weaving a beautiful day dream, and his central figure was this dark-eyed girl who was almost a stranger to him.

He awoke to realities with a start. Miss Travers, puzzled at his silence, had risen and was holding out her hand in goodbye.

"You will come to see me some time, will you not, Mr. Saunders?" she asked with the frank smile that was her especial charm. "I have enjoyed my talk with you so very much that I would like to repeat it. I am always at home on Tuesdays and Thursdays."

Her tone was so cordial that she blushed and stammered over his thanks. He called himself a fool a minute afterward when he found himself standing stupidly staring at the doorway through which she had disappeared. But that did not prevent his going home in a strangely excited and exhilarated mood. The glamour of his day dream seemed still around him. And she, the lady of his dream—she loved her.

He whispered it to himself as he strode across the park, half fearful that the flickering lamps and the swaying branches might guess his secret. But in the silence of his room he said it boldly and the confident ring of the words seemed to echo the mad beating of his heart.

It was inevitable that the next Thursday night should find him in the parlour of Miss Travers' flat. It was equally inevitable that he should bend all his energies to hide his love from the smiling eyes of this girl, who treated him with an air of bon camaraderie fatal to sentiment.

It is doubtful whether every encouragement would have wrung the secret from his lips. The first joy of loving was past and in its place had come a flood of self-distrust, of self-deception. To let her tortured mind and tradition seem to agree between them. She had been the petted child of rich parents, on whom had been lavished the gifts of a foreign education and the years of foreign travel. This attempt at independence and self support had been treated as her latest whim and humored accordingly. He had scrambled from a common school education into the pinnacles that meant the path of a reporter. Every upward step had been bought at the price of hard work. It was but a short time since the problem of meeting his board bill had been all important one.

That was the first of many calls, but the succeeding visits, while they strengthened his love, gave no courage for its declaration.

At last in his desperation a plan dawned upon him by which he might learn his fate and yet spare her the pain of a refusal. She had asked him to submit a story to the Symposium. He would send her one, embodying his love and his hopelessness and offering two sequels for the choice of the reader. In this the lover showed boldly at the barriers of position and woo and win his ladylove. In the other he should patiently bow to the inevitable and devote his life to the uncertain happiness of literary success.

He bent himself feverishly to the task. For several weeks he had not dared to trust himself to call upon her. When she read the story he addressed with a trembling hand. A day went by, another, a week. Saunders could not write; he could not sleep. He haunted the park and the streets where he had so often met her, hopeful yet fearful of meeting her again and reading in her face his answer.

At length, when ten days had passed and suspense had become almost unbearable, the postman left a bulky envelope in his letter box.

It was his letter—back as he unfolded it a typewritten slip fluttered to the floor. He picked it up mechanically. It was the usual rejection slip, curt and businesslike, without an added line to soften the blow.

It might have been minutes, it might have been hours, that he sat staring at the scrap of paper. Then, with a groan, he buried his face in his arms, as if to shut out the world. His castle in Spain had fallen down about his ears, and he sat among the ruins.

The sun was setting when he rose. He brushed and went out into the park and walk and walk in the hope that this

local weariness might stifle his suffering. The coolness of night brought a dogged courage to blot out the past, with its day dreams, and turn to the future.

But it was weary work. The end of the week found him so worn and haggard his friends declared he was overworked and advised rest and change. "Your novel is making such a success you can afford to do it," they urged. He only smiled bitterly and shook his head. It seemed such cruel mockery to think that the success of his cherished novel should bring him no happiness.

He was listlessly sorting his mail one morning when he came upon a tiny blue envelope which had been hidden by the others. His heart seemed to leap into his throat, for he recognized the hand. He read:

Dear Mr. Saunders—it is so long since I have seen you that I am pining for one of our chats. To be sure, I have just come from a three weeks' vacation, but then you had no time for me for so long before that. Is there anything the matter? Come up tonight and perhaps I can explain. Yours sincerely,
Cecil Travers.

Again Mr. Saunders sat staring at a piece of paper, but this time it was the shock of sudden joy. He had never seen his story. It had been turned down by his deputy reader.

He made most of the explanations that evening, but Miss Travers did not seem to mind.

Food of the Screech Owl.
 The little screech owl, well known in most parts of the country, is indefatigable in its work of destroying mice and insects. It may often be seen at buildings, watching for mice or skimming along the fields and along hedgerows in search of grasshoppers, crickets and beetles. Many birds of this species have taken up a residence in the cities, having learned to feed upon the most destructive nuisance the English sparrow. In winter rural residents often notice the tracks of mice, which form networks to the size of a yard. We also carry trimmings of kinds, lace, braids, metallized silks and velvets. All in this department we are showing a splendid line of sheets, pillow-cases and counterpanes. For the first time in the history of our store we are able to sell a full size hemmed sheet, 81x90 inches, at 45¢ each; pillow-cases 36x42 inches at 10¢ each. Better quality sheets are 50¢, 55¢ and 75¢ each, and pillow-cases are 12¢ and 15¢ each. Full size white bed-spreads we are selling at \$1, \$1.25 and \$1.50 each.

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 Splinters of paint and glass left for any time will become hard. To remove them take boiling water and in it dissolve a lump of soda, a piece about the size of an egg to a pint of water. Wet a cloth or piece of flannel in this and rub the splinter where they will be found to come off quite easily.

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W. York	8:15 AM	8:45 AM
Hamlet	8:30 AM	9:00 AM
W.boro	8:45 AM	9:15 AM
Hamlet	9:00 AM	9:30 AM
W. York	9:15 AM	9:45 AM
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Atlantic and North Carolina Railroad.

Time Table No. 216.

To Take Effect Sunday, Oct. 21, 1902, at 12:01 A. M.

GOING EAST.		GOING WEST.	
Pass't Trains	STATIONS.	Pass't Trains	STATIONS.
Arrive	Leave	Arrive	Leave
P. M.	P. M.	A. M.	A. M.
Wilmington	8:00	Hamlet	11:00
W. York	8:20	W.boro	11:20
Hamlet	8:40	Hamlet	11:40
W.boro	9:00	W. York	12:00
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W. York	7:15 AM
Hamlet	7:30 AM
W. York	7:45 AM
Hamlet	8:00 AM

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