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On The Circle—When a Man's Young—The Telltale Envelope—Preparing the Way—Hard to Understand—Not Anxious to Lose Him—A Bachelor's Fancy, Etc.

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When a Man's Young

Noll—"One thing is certain: man never gets young again."

Todd—"That's so. We may [illegible] hope to know as much as [illegible]."—Life.

Hard to Understand

"I can't understand [illegible] German friend at all."

"Why?"

"Because I don't understand [illegible]."—Philadelphia North American.

The Telltale Envelope

[illegible]

Preparing the Way

[illegible]

Not Anxious to Lose Him

[illegible]

A Bachelor's Fancy

[illegible]

"Why didn't you?"

[illegible]

He Was [illegible]

[illegible] "Mother, [illegible]"

Political Ornithology

[illegible]—Puck.

His Absentminded [illegible]

[illegible]—Judge.

Clinching a Bargain

[illegible]—Brooklyn Life.

No Danger

[illegible]

Another [illegible]

[illegible]—Washington Star.

A Modern Convenience

[illegible]

Music at Home

Do you play any [illegible], Mr. [illegible]?

"Yes, I'm a cornetist."

"And your sister?"

"She's a pianist."

[illegible]

"She's a zitherist."

"And your father?"

"He's a pessimist."

An Unfamiliar [illegible]

[illegible]—New York [illegible].

Equal to the Emergency

[illegible]

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