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PLACING SIN RESPONSIBILITY.

It is a natural presumption that every entity must have an origin, it must have been begotten through some agency. Mankind sins and tries to shift the responsibility by charging the impulse that prompted the sin, to the devil. Such thinkers as Leibnitz and Kant have tried in their philosophy to evade the personality of the devil, in accounting for evil that existed. Rev. D. C. Garrett insists upon the personality of Satan, and offers arguments in support of the contention that evil is an entity located in some form of supreme evil intelligence. Such argument would raise the issue as to whether sin was an entity of thought or fact, and which it was would determine whether its author Satan, was personal to each individual, or merely the head center of thought currents that made sin find its action through mankind in physical force.

Philosophers may reason away Satan, but the general ty of mankind has and will continue to acknowledge such a personage. "Satan, so call him now, his former name is heard no more in heaven, shows what the great poet thought of him as a personality, even more so in the lines—
 "High on a throne of royal state which outshone the wealth of Ormus and of Ind,
 Or where the gorgeous East with richest hand
 Showers on her kings barbaric pearl and gold,
 Satan exalted sat, by merit raised
 To that bad eminence."
 Of course for men and women to shift their errors to others, is part of human weakness. Equally have and do men and women continue to charge to a Divine Hand those things that they have done for good, not accepting that inherent grace alone inspired the thought and developed the action for the good accomplished. Here is the highest degree of nobility in man, that refuses to place full credit to his share for right doing. The extreme is when man seeks to evade responsibility for evil acts, accusing the devil, as being his prompter and encourager in evil doing. It only goes to prove that evil promotes to an intense degree, personal cowardice.

NATURALLY WOMAN'S WAY
 The local proclamation by the City Beautiful Department of the Woman's Club, making Monday, March 11th, a "cleaning up day" for this entire city, is a natural request, one strictly in line with the work of making this city beautiful, and peculiarly a Woman's proclamation, for beginning with the children to every portion of the household, the woman of the house inaugurates the clean up process, and with the extension of her powers without, the first order in civic progression would be—cleanliness in material things, the take out and away of rubbish, until clean streets, clean alleys, clean premises were the rule and not the exception.
 The enlistment of the Woman's Club in a city beautiful movement, with the start in the clean up day, followed by tree setting or both together, for tree setting has started, it is but the preliminary of much to come, in the direction of material improvements and local betterments for New Bern. Once started in cleaning up, there should be acquired the habit of staying clean, and this only calls

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for attention, in seeing that no trash, rubbish, paper or anything else is thrown out, instead that there should be receptacles at every house and store, and a penalty fixed and inflicted upon those who are disturbers of a clean city, in that they throw out or allow any kind of rubbish to be thrown out into public view, to be carried or blown about street, alley or premises.
 And March the 11th should be both a clean up day and the day to inaugurate a system for a stay clean city.

WHY WORTH MORE ELSEWHERE?
 The going of Dr. Henry Louis Smith from Davidson College in this State, to the Presidency of Washington and Lee University, Virginia, marks the loss of another noted scholar, educator and gentleman to North Carolina. Communities and states do not appreciate the fact that good men are assets, and to lose them the loss is hard to replace. Dr. Smith's going is a severe loss, educational, not that his place may not be filled, but the man who is to fill it leaves a vacancy, and so down the line, to an actual vacancy is found that must remain, until a man is developed, and so the entire line is made good. Good men are taken from firms and corporations, because of individual worth to their new employers. Why does such a man leave a seemingly fine position? Generally because some one else has discovered his worth and is willing to pay more for his services. The question can be asked, why are Dr. Alderman, Dr. Smith and others, worth more to institutions in other states than they are to North Carolina institutions? Such men leave a gap that takes time to fill, and meantime the State is poorer because they have gone. It is the genius of commercial life to discover and secure the best men, and it is lack of judgment to think that good men may be let go without community or state loss. Their going means a greater loss than just money valuation, based on what they earned at home, in dollars and cents.

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THE LASH OF CIRCUMSTANCE
 By HARRY IRVING GREENE
 Author of "YOSONDE OF THE WILDERNESS"

be compelled to cast suspicion, even by inference, upon a life-long friend, especially when the friend is of his own blood. Yet a serious crime had been committed against both society at large and another of my kinsmen in particular, and should I conceal any essential fact that I knew and LeDuc discover that I had done so, it would put me in the miserable plight before Uncle Abner as having tried to shield some one and thus acted against him in the recovery of at least a portion of what had been pilfered from him. I did not for an instant believe that Bruce would even contemplate such an act, even though standing blindfold against the wall of financial despair, yet certainly there were things which in justice to everybody concerned he should explain; and while I did not doubt but that he could do so without difficulty, I disliked exceedingly to speak against him.

LeDuc sat quietly throughout my mental colloquy, eyeing me keenly. That my hesitancy in answering was unnoticed I did not for a moment flatter myself, for as well might one expect the fox to miss a movement of the cornered hare. "There seems to be something disagreeable in your mind. Perhaps you had better out with it," he suggested at length. "Remember that I am asking you as a good citizen, to help me in this matter and am taking you into my confidence. I therefore expect you to assist me to the fullest extent of your powers regardless of whom it may help or hurt; always bearing in mind that no innocent man need be afraid. Furthermore, you may trust me not to give any information you may convey to me any more publicity than the exigencies of the case demand. What is it you are keeping from me now?"

"You have asked me as to my cousin's financial condition, and under my protest and your promise I will say this," I returned slowly. "He was in a miserable fix through losses on the exchange and came to Uncle Abner yesterday for a loan. Uncle Abner only grined at him, as Bruce should have had sense enough beforehand to know he would. When I saw Bruce afterward he was way down on his luck and fairly desperate. He knew that uncle had the money in the house, because he was the one who called my attention to that fact, saying to me: 'My God, I must get hold of \$10,000 some way.' He then left me. When I saw him again he appeared to have been drinking. I put him in a carriage to get him out of sight and he was driven away, where I don't know, for I have not seen him since. That is all I know about that phase of the matter." My companion was following my every word and action with the intoneness of a watching lynx, and when I had finished pounced upon my last and qualifying words instantly.

"You say that is all you know about that phase of the matter. Very good. But what else do you know?" Driven fairly into a corner I answered desperately: "I know he had a key to the house. While I was sitting with him at the interview I have just mentioned he became angry at the thought of uncle's refusal to assist him, and struck the table several times with some small metallic object which he had tightly clenched in his hand. The familiar appearance of the object immediately attracted my attention and I managed to see enough of it to know that it was a key to this place. I was somewhat surprised, not knowing how he had come into possession of it; but thinking it was his own business I did not mention it to him in his then condition of mind. I do not believe that he knew that I had noticed it, or was even aware that he had exhibited it in his excitement, for immediately after his outburst he thrust it back into his overcoat pocket. I think that I have now without reservation told you all that I know concerning his words and actions within the last few days. He can undoubtedly explain his possession of the key as well as his whereabouts last night to your entire satisfaction. But, I hope it will not even be necessary to hurt his pride by questioning him."

LeDuc leaned forward with deep interest in his face. "Then if there are but four keys to the front door known to be in existence, and as your uncle has his own as well as the one which you formerly possessed, and as Mrs. Tebbets still has hers, the only one remaining to be accounted for should be in the possession of your other cousin, Miss Winton. If she still retains hers, then the one Bruce had must of necessity be a duplicate, and a duplicate could not have been made without the maker having for a time had one of the originals. That phase of the matter we will take up, if it so occur, when we come to it, but what we want to know now is regarding the originals. And to ascertain that we must know whether Miss Winton has parted keepership of hers. I must see her at once."

"Perhaps it would be well for me to call her up over the wire and ask her to come here," I suggested. "This will be glad to see her, and I know she will come with anxiety to know when she hears about this." He nodded his acquiescence, and going to the telephone I briefly put her in possession of the news with the request that she come here immediately. In her own way she was as prompt as I showed the door.

SAID SHE WOULD FAINT
 Mrs. Della Long Unable to Stand On Her Feet More Than a Few Minutes at a Time.

Pendergrass, Ga.—Mrs. Della Long of this place, in a recent letter, says: "For five or six years, I suffered agonies with womanly troubles. Often, I couldn't sit up more than a few minutes at a time, and if I stood on my feet long, I would faint. I took Cardui, and it helped me immediately. Now, I can do my work all the time, and don't suffer like I did." Take Cardui when you feel ill in any way—weak, tired, miserable, or under the weather. Cardui is a strength-building tonic medicine for women. It has been found to relieve pain and distress caused by womanly troubles, and is an excellent medicine to have on hand at all times. Cardui acts on the womanly constitution, building up womanly strength, toning up the nerves, and regulating the womanly organs. Its half century of success is due to merit. It has done good to thousands. Will you try it? It may be just what you need. Ask your druggist about Cardui. He will recommend it.

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could hear her as she rushed about the room calling upon her mother for her hat and gloves. Fifteen minutes later she was ringing at the front door. LeDuc shot me a look full of significance. "Did you say that she and Bruce are engaged, or something to that effect?" he inquired, referring to a remark which I had dropped a few moments before. I nodded. "So Bruce intimated to me. I knew they were desperately fond of each other and he told me that had he not been wiped out he would have married her. At her key with her this morning," was my answer. Down stairs we heard Mrs. Tebbets opening the door, and a moment later with a patter of feet and a muffle of skirts she bounded up upon us. Her eyes were dilated and she seemed almost ready to burst from suppressed excitement. Her first words were about Uncle

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 "It's up to you," to have our city clean and attractive. The city fathers say they will remove the trash from your premises if you will collect it and phone No. 20 for the cart to come, let our visitors on March 13th to 15th go away impressed not only with our hospitality but also our neat and well kept yards, back yard as well as front.

Children Cry FOR FLETCHER'S CASTORIA
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