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Stopping a Runaway
 By EPES W. SARGENT

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"Alice Armstrong is running away. Alice Armstrong is running away." To the slender figure in rusty brown the whirl of the car wheels seemed to repeat it unceasingly, and every jar of the Pullman trucks gave the words a cruel emphasis. Surely every one must know her secret. She looked about her guiltily, but the car was almost empty and the few passengers were absorbed in themselves or asleep.

Above the back of a seat farther up the aisle she saw the nodding head of a sleeping woman and the restless curls of a golden haired child.

With a start she turned to the window again to hide the tears that sprang to her eyes. Edith had hair like that, the little five-year-old sister whom she was leaving perhaps forever. No, not forever, she corrected herself; only till she could earn a home for both. But another glance at those shining curls might steal away her courage. Resolutely she closed her eyes and tried to review her past and plan for the future.

It had all begun the year before, when Mrs. Armstrong second had decided to take in summer boarders. One of the earliest applicants was a suave and oily person whose card read "Algernon Staunton—Leads and Heavies," and who needed no such advertisement to proclaim him as an actor of the cheapest sort.

But to Alice all actors were on a plane far above the humdrum of ordinary existence. When he assured her that she was destined to become an ornament to the dramatic profession, she listened reverently. At the end of his four weeks' vacation he had hurried off to join a summer stock company. There he regaled his associates with tales of the shrewdness by which he had "jollied" a girl into giving him the position of star boarder.

He neither knew nor cared that he had left the girl with her head full of dreams and her heart sore and chafing against existing conditions. The old wound on account of the hasty remarriage of her father so soon after her mother's death broke out afresh. She was eighteen. Surely she was

won't let me kiss her for fear of hurting them."
 "Perhaps you know her," eagerly.
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Alice had listened in horrified silence. The unconscious pathos of the child's story cut her to the heart. This, then, was the fate of the child of a great actress, unloved and neglected or left to the doubtful care of servants. How blind she had been to tell herself that she was taking this step for Edith's sake! It had all been for self, self. This little crutch was caused by the roughness of a nurse. Once she had seen Mrs. Armstrong strike Edith. Suppose she should do so again, and the careless blow bring to the poor child of this poor little one! The thought was torture. Abruptly she leaned over and rang the bell for the porter.

"What is the next stop?" she asked breathlessly.
 "Next stop Ballston," he said; "one there in ten minutes."
 "When can I get a train back?"
 "There's one due in a half hour."
 "Please come and get my things," she said more quietly. "I will leave the train there."
 Then she turned and took the little stranger in her arms. "I want to thank you," she whispered as she kissed her tenderly. "You have shown me my duty."
 Twenty minutes later Joe Watson gave a whistle of surprise as he came face to face with her on the Ballston platform. "Well," he cried jovially, "here I was going up to Keopsport to see you, and here you are part way to meet me."
 But questions died on his lips at closer view of her face. She had drawn away from him with almost a look of fear. Then she lifted her head bravely and gazed straight into his eyes. "I had started to run away, but I've changed my mind. Edith needs me; so I'm going back to make the old place seem like home to her."
 As Joe saw the unselfish purpose that shone in her eyes and the womanly sweetness of her firm, set lips he realized that his childhood's friend had grown into something very fine and precious. Deep in his heart he registered the vow to some day make a home for both her and Edith. And his dream came true.

Why Carlyle Was Not a Bore.
 Carlyle took a friend, a much younger man, out walking with him in his usual way indulged in a monologue in which, nevertheless, his companion was much interested. Once or twice, however, the friend ventured to put in a word or two of objection in regard to something said by Carlyle. This annoyed Carlyle intensely, and when they reached home he turned upon his companion and addressed to him the following warning: "Young man, I'd have ye to know that ye've the capacity for being the greatest bore in Europe." The poor man had hardly spoken a dozen words; but, since these had been critical, they had made him seem to Carlyle a potential bore of colossal proportions.

Many men in this way get unjustly called bores. They venture to doubt some statement made in conversation and are at once branded with the most terrifying of names. These unfortunate persons are in truth not bores at all, but merely the innocent detectors of the latent capacity of boring in others.

Carlyle showed by his speech what was indeed the fact, that he, not his friend, possessed the potentiality of boring. It is true that his great imagination generally saved him, but he often went perilously near the line. Had he not been the man of genius he was he would assuredly have been the greatest bore in Europe.—London Spectator.

Old Quoted Phrases.
 Many of our most usually quoted phrases are from the Bible, among them being: "No rest for the sole of the foot," "Darkness which may be felt," "Bring down my gray hairs with sorrow to the grave," "The wife of his bosom," "I am going the way of all the earth," "A still, small voice," "All that a man hath will be given for his life," "There the wicked cease from troubling and the weary be at rest," "Man is born to trouble as the sparks fly upward," "Oh, that my adversary had written a book," "The lines are fallen to me in pleasant places," "His enemies shall lick the dust," "Happy is the man that hath his quiver full," "The heart knoweth its own bitterness," "Heap coals of fire on his head," "Open rebuke is better than secret love," "There is no new thing under the sun," "A living dog is better than a dead lion," "The race is not to the swift, nor the battle to the strong," "Wise in his own conceit," "Grind the faces of the poor," "Weighed in the balance and found wanting," "Who touches pitch will be defiled," "Laughing to scorn," "He that runs may read," "Do not cast pearls before swine," and a great many other expressions that have saved the lives of thousands of years and help us to realize how little human nature changes in the generations that go by, since what suited the men of so long ago expresses our minds still so well.

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