

Confessions of an Every-Day Wife

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MRS. CHARLTON'S TRAGEDY.

I was awakened by Eliene, who was trying to tiptoe out of the room without waking me.

"Margot," she said, "did Theo bring you some silk stockings? He gave me six wonderful pairs this morning." "My dear, those were the ones he brought to me."

Before she could voice her mystification I told her the whole story. At first she was indignant and then she laughed as I pictured Theo's face as I mentioned Sally's name.

"I'll bet on you, Margot," she said, "but it makes me angry to think that you have to fight for your own husband. I don't believe he is worth it, even if he is my brother."

"Why, can you not see, Eliene, that fighting for things we want—the things we love—in this world, is just what makes life interesting? Just think what a monotonous thing this world would be if we could have everything we wanted without planning and without scheming and working and fighting for it."

"I am not sure that I am not more interested in Theo than I have been at any time since our marriage, now that I know that Sally Saunders is determined to take him from me."

"Do you really think that is what she is trying to do?"

"Why of course. Just put your wits to work, Eliene and you will see what it would mean to her to take Theo away from me. She would be revenged on me for my knowledge of her character and my failure to treat her as a sister since Tim died. She would marry into the richest and smartest family in town, and—"

"Here, Margot—wait a minute," interrupted Eliene. "You do not for a moment think that girl contemplates separating you from Theo and marrying him herself?"

"I do—I certainly think that very thing."

"But she never looked at him before he married you."

"But you know then she was so much in love with that nasty little German spy she could see no one else."

"If she were so much in love with him, why did she marry Tim?" asked Eliene.

"That is something that only Aunt Margie, Dr. Robert and I know," I answered solemnly, "and if it becomes necessary, it is probable that one of us will tell it some day."

"I had a note from the Major this morning, hidden in a great mass of pansies. He says he will be over about four this afternoon," said Eliene shyly.

"Dear girl," I replied, "I hope you will be as happy as you deserve, but I want to tell you one thing. You must look out for some kind of a storm when Mrs. Charlton finds it out. She will probably come to you and tell you all

about our being in Springfield together."

"Do you think the Major ever told Mrs. Charlton he loved her?" asked Eliene, curiously.

"Now, my dear girl, please do not for one moment let yourself dwell on that thought. The Major is a splendid man and he will make you a good husband. You should be very happy." Then the doorbell rang and Eliene made her escape as Mrs. Charlton came in.

After a little chat about the weather and other unimportant subjects, Mrs. Charlton suddenly said: "Dear Margot don't say anything to your husband about my being in Springfield yesterday, if you have not already done so."

"Certainly not, Mrs. Charlton, if you do not wish me to."

"I determined today," she continued, "after the occurrences of last night to make a confinement of you—to tell you something of my life," my visitor... something of my life."

"I am sure that when I am finished you will perhaps have a greater sympathy for me than you do now. Anyway, I have reached the place when I must tell someone. I want you to tell me whether you think Major Gordon cares for me or not."

"Wait—do not answer now—wait until you have heard me through."

"I was married when very young, to a man somewhat older than myself. When I married I believed in the man as I did my God. I was a very innocent girl—one of those dreamy imaginative creatures who live a life much apart from reality."

"When I married I did not believe that I had ever told a lie—I just did not know how, and the thought that my husband would deceive me never entered my head."

"But very soon I began to sense a kind of strangeness about the man I had married. He began to neglect me and I could see that I bored him. Oftener and oftener he left me alone, and as I could no longer conceal it from myself that he did not love me any more."

"I was only twenty-one when I discovered this and for a time I think I went a little mad. I determined that I, too should find distraction among strangers or acquaintances."

"Very soon I found myself the centre of a very fast set of young men and women, and I soon became the most active young woman in it before my husband suspected anything."

Tomorrow
"Mrs. Charlton's Story Continued."

The trouble with most of us is that we don't want money for the sake of saving it—we want it to spend.

When a woman is totally unable to crowd her foot into a small shoe, she is an advocate of sensible footwear.

Petticoat makers in New York are demanding more pay. This will interest the public as it is evidence that petticoats are still being worn.

STANLEY FAIR OPENED WITH MANY PRESENT

Fredericton Well Represented on Opening Day—Weather Very Favorable—Good Exhibits.

Stanley, N. B., Oct. 1.—The annual fair under the auspices of the Agriculture Society opened here today, with the largest crowd present in recent years. Over one thousand people were present in the afternoon who all seemed to enjoy every minute of the time.

The digger departments of the fair were well filled and competition in all lines is keen. The Domestic Manufacture exhibit this year, surprised all former years, in the number of entries.

Excellent workmanship especially in the fancy work which is attracting much attention and is a credit to the ladies of the vicinity. The entries for horses, cattle, swine, sheep and poultry is good, while the display of roots and fruit is away ahead of former years, both in number and quality.

The pumpkins, squash, cucumbers and beets and turnips are exceptionally good, while the potato exhibit would be hard to beat any place. The Midway this year is well filled, several games of chance being played on which valuable prizes are offered.

The G. W. V. A. have a wheel of fortune which is doing a rushing business. Mr. Harry Cox of Fredericton has his "Stand them up boys" game in operation and is kept quite busy. The weather has been delightful, just cool enough to be pleasant. The City of Fredericton is well represented, several auto parties being present, including the Minister of Public Works, who was taking a great interest in the different exhibits.

The Deputy Minister of Agriculture was also present. He was Judge on some of the live stock classes.

Mr. Burton Hill the Provincial Engineer was also an interesting visitor. The judging began this afternoon and will be continued tomorrow.

The Grand Ball was held in the evening as usual, a picture show was at the Church Hall. Both drew large crowds. Tomorrow promises to be another big day. The village is overcrowded tonight with rooms very hard to get.

A man may be a diplomat of the highest type and still be unable to persuade a baby that he has nothing to cry about.

IMMEDIATE AID GRANTED TO OROMOCTO

PROVINCIAL GOVERNMENT GAVE \$2,500 YESTERDAY

A Delegation Placed Matter Before Executive—Relief Committee Has Money This Morning.

The disaster which overtook the village of Oromocto in the fire of Tuesday and the dire necessity which confronts a number of the inhabitants of the village were brought to the attention of the Provincial Government at its regular monthly meeting Thursday afternoon and immediate action was taken by Premier Foster and the other members of the provincial executive so that this morning there was in the hands of the Relief Committee organized among the citizens of Oromocto and vicinity, the sum of \$2,500 granted from the provincial treasury to be disbursed at once in the relief of the pressing wants of the victims of the fire.

The Relief Committee which will disburse this and other sums which may be received from other sources, is composed of R. B. Smith, M. P. P., chairman; Charles Gilmour, secretary; Alex. B. Burnett, T. J. McElroy, Martin Kimball, T. H. Estabrooks, J. W. Gilmour.

Presentation of Matter

A delegation headed by Mr. Smith appeared before the government. Immediate assistance was asked of the government for the Oromocto fire-sufferers. The seriousness of the situation with regard to some of the unfortunate victims of the disaster was pointed out. About twenty families are homeless and some of those have small children almost without clothing and all their members lacking necessities. The Relief Committee organized had decided to make an appeal to the generosity of the towns and cities of the province for aid. The request of the government was a grant of provincial funds which would enable the Relief Committee at once to administer the relief urgently required.

Immediate Action

The action of the government was immediate \$2,500 being granted for relief at the earliest possible time. This will be placed in the hands of the Relief Committee.

Premier Foster when announcing that the grant would be made expressed the hope that the people of the province would respond in most generous fashion to the appeal which would be made to them as from the information given by the government by the delegation, he believed that any financial assistance would be well and efficiently distributed.

Woodstock Exhibition

A large delegation composed of the officers and directors of Agricultural Society No. 41 of Woodstock appeared and asked for the grant for the Provincial Exhibition of 1920. The request was supported by a statement of the expenditures which the Society had made upon the exhibition plant at Woodstock and by reference to the very successful fair which the Society held a few weeks ago.

Consideration as promised by the government to the request of the delegation which was headed by Col. R. J. Diblee, president; J. S. Leighton, secretary; J. R. Brown, treasurer.

CHILDREN SHOULD BE GIVEN PLEASANT NAMES

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Rose, for instance, is clear, agreeable and propitious, but does not drop from the lips softly, hence it should not be used with a short or sharp family name. Rose Smith would be a mistake, but Rosemary Smith is lovely, the added syllables making all the difference. Jane Strong might better have been christened Joanna Strong, though Evelyn Strong would be prettier, for there is magic in the soft sweetness of Evelyn—Evelyn Hope—Browning knew what he was doing when he framed that loveliest of names!

Pretty Names That Scan.

Contrariwise when the family name is long the given name may be short with happy effect—thus Hilda Vallandigham is good, though a longer given name is sometimes most delightful if (and here is a subtle secret so I emphasize it) of the cadence be right. Eleanor Vallandigham carries off the trick, because it scans. This matter of scansion is clearly important, as is the sequence of vowels. Take, for instance the beautiful line of Rossetti, which I repeated further back, "Cecily Gertrude, Magdalen, Margaret and Rosalys." Suppose somebody who had not Rossetti's ear had written it thus:

SPORTSMEN ARE HAVING GOOD LUCK

Local Taxidermist Has About a Dozen Heads to Mount—Trout and Sword-fish Also.

Trophies of the sportsmen's luck in the woods are coming into the taxidermist shop of George Davis, Queen St., to be mounted. In all about a dozen moose heads have been received by him and the indications are with the prevailing good shooting season that there will be a far larger number than last season brought forth.

Among the orders for mounting received by him are moose and deer shot by a party including, Dr. O. H. Hunt of Newtonville, Mass.; and Messrs J. C. Bury and J. Martin of Boston. Dr. Hunt secured a good one which had a spread of 45 inches and thirty points; Mr. Bury shot one with a spread of about 47 inches while J. E. Martin got a moose and two deer. The party were

"Cecily, Rosalys, Magdalen, Margaret and Gertrude." It would not have been the same thing at all; the syllables are all good, but the cadence is wrong. When names of about equal length are joined, the length of the vowels has also to be carefully considered. The long vowels are sonorous too many short ones are choppy. The names of some writers of today are specially fortunate in the beautiful open vowels, Hildegard Hawthorne, Viola Roseboro and Muriel Hine follow all the rules and are ideally lovely names and yet to show how rules do not always count, there is Mary Roberts Rinehart, whose good mouth filling syllables conform to none of them but whose sound is as robustly pleasant as the works of the writer.

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REPORTS WERE EXAGGERATED

Montreal, Oct. 3.—That there is no evidence bearing out what was published in newspapers concerning the execution of the Italian named Spreccac in Bordeaux jail, is the reply made by the Attorney General of the Province of Quebec to the protest forwarded by a public meeting recently held under the auspices of the Canadian Prisoners' Welfare Association.

CONDITIONS STILL SERIOUS

Washington, Oct. 3.—Although no official statement was made by Doctor Grayson, it was understood at the White House that there was little if any change in President Wilson's condition early this morning.

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To Mount Trout

Among other trophies to be mounted are three splendid trout caught on the Cavanaugh by John Murray, weighing 6, 7 and 8 pounds. A sword fish from the Maritime Fish Corporation with a sword some five feet in length is also to be mounted. The whole fish measures 18 feet from the tip of the sword to the tail.

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