

Confessions of an Every-Day Wife

By Idah McGlone Gibson

RICHARD WAVERLY'S FRENCH WIFE.

"Up to now," said Theo, as we stood by the dear old whispering tree, "it has been a kind of a glorified courtship, but to-day we have taken up the realities of married life. We both have our work to do."

"Why, Theo, I never saw you so serious in all my life."

"I have have my serious times, dear. Perhaps it is because all the time was serious Over There. Probably in the years to come I will backslide occasionally, if not often, but just now I'm rather overwhelmed with my responsibilities."

We rode on in silence for quite a while after this and I suppose Theo was wondering, as I was, what the future would bring forth. Almost unconsciously we drew closer together until I was resting within his arm, my hand clasped in his.

"I never dreamed that having someone drive your car was so pleasant," said Theo as he held me tighter with no regard for my pet hat.

"Be careful, Theo. I think from the angle of Charles' back he's fully aware of your strenuous love making."

"Oh, he's used to it," said Theo easily.

"What? Are you aware, Theodore Symone, that you never made love to me in this car before?"

"Other times, other manners," quoted Theo, and lightly added to the quotation, "other girls."

"Theo, you are incorrigible. Who was the girl you last hugged in this car?"

Theo, instead of answering, said: "Now that I've met my stepmother-in-law, let's go see what Richard Waverly III brought back."

"All right," I acquiesced quickly, because to tell the truth a serious Theo was someone I hardly knew and didn't quite relish—such is woman's inconsistency.

Dick spied us as we drove up to the porte cochere, and he rushed out to meet us, both arms extended.

"Gee, but this is great!" he exclaimed. "I told mother you would be here just as soon as I told you we had come home. But she suggested that we should call on you very soon. I'm sorry, Toddy, that we didn't get back in time to see Aunt Eliene once more. I tell you we have lost one of our best friends."

"You never said a truer thing than that, Dick," said Theo.

"And I feel sorrier for mother than any of us younger ones" was Dick's comment, as he glanced at Aunt Margie's sad face through the window.

"Yes," I said, "my heart has gone out to Aunt Margie all the time. She was closer to Mother Eliene than anyone else in the world. I felt as I saw Aunt Margie's grief-stricken face at the grave that we younger generation haven't the depth for such sincere and lasting friendship."

"I hope, Margot," said Dick, "that you will prove as great a friend to my little wife."

"What are we standing out here for?" asked Theo. "Let's go in where Dick can trot out his prize."

"You bet she's a prize, Theo."

"She is if you still think so, Dick. Do you mean to tell me that your eyes haven't roved one little bit since you married her?"

"No, sir," answered Dick stoutly.

"She must have put the blinders on you, then."

"Oh, Valere, come and meet my best friends."

I caught my breath sharply as a diminutive girl dressed in grey came forward in answer to his call.

"Good Lord!" ejaculated Theo under his breath.

"Hush!" I whispered, shaking my head at him. Dick, in boyish unconsciousness of our surprise, said proudly:

"Val, you have heard me talk of Margot and Theo Symone so often that I'm sure you feel as though you know them."

As I went forward with both hands outstretched, Valere Waverly smiled and I immediately saw her great charm. Her great dark eyes emphasized the paleness of her olive skin and her dark hair was brushed so smoothly and tightly back that it threw her small clear-cut features into relief, and her smile disclosed the fact that there was a tiny space between her two front teeth, which was a piquant rather than a detracting feature.

(Tomorrow—"A Great Surprise.")

PEACE DAY PROCESSION PRONOUNCED SUCCESS

(Continued from Page Five)

the chief countries which make up the Empire. Miss Louis Hawthorne was Britannia and the parts of the Empire were represented as follows: Miss Lily Kitchen, Australia; Mrs. Keenan, Scotland; Miss Edith Carten Newfoundland; Miss Ethel Vanwart, Wales; Miss Madge Smith, New Zealand; Miss Marie Feeney, Ireland; Mrs. Walter R. Clarke, South Africa; Miss Bessie McElvane, India; Miss Georgie Murchie, England; Miss Edith Gatcombe, Canada.

Employees of Miss Morgan's millinery establishment also had a striking float entitled "Canada". Those who took part in the representation were Miss May McIntyre, Miss Helen Winter, Mrs. Fred Fawcett, Miss Greta Gatcombe, Miss Vera Hetherington, Miss Katie Harris, Miss Margaret Hughes, Fred McGinnis, Albert McCollom and Warren Maxwell.

A representation of an "Advanced Dressing Station" was shown by the staff of the New Brunswick Military Hospital. Those taking part were Capt. Morrison, Nursing Sister Baskin, Sgt. Parks, Private Hales and Private Wheeler.

"Scapa Flow" was represented by Miss Kate Stewart and six small boys in sailor costume. The surrendered German ships were shown in miniature. The six little boys were Walter Crouse, Gordon Neill, Harry McCatherin, Ross Cameron, Morris Schleyer, Lawrence Hachey.

The Red Cross Society's float drew attention to the fact that "2,000 pairs of socks had been knit." A knitting machine was given a position of honor. Those on the float were, President, Miss Lucy Anderson; Vice President, Mrs. D. M. Richards; Miss Ada Schleyer, Miss Perry, Mrs. Thomas M. Rutter.

The St. John's Ambulance float represented the work of the overseas V. A. D. girls and was prettily decorated. Behind the float walked four stretcher bearers. Those in the float were Mrs. John Black, and Misses Allie McFarlane, Marion Crockett, Sadie Inch, Margaret Hall, Gertrude Davidson, Violet Betts, Bessie Thomas, Florence McKenzie, Inez Johnston, and Kathleen Taylor. On the float was a patient bandaged and being cared for. The emergency kit was also along.

The Salvation Army had a float representing a Salvation Army Hut.

Hobo Bands

"Hobo" bands were three in number. The largest was that of the Labor Council which under the able direction of "Professor" George McLaughlin rendered music in great variety(?) during the march. The Military Hospital also had one entered which rode in a service wagon. It was composed of Staff Sergeant McLeod, Sergt. Townsley, Privates Elliott, Lenihan, Mathews, D. Boudreau, Wilson, Munde, Bowser, and Humphreys. The Five "Peace" Orchestra was composed of Thomas Boyd, Wallace McAdam, Ralph Tennant, Jack Williams, Alden Clark.

Comic Entries

As might be expected comic entries were very numerous. In some instances the efforts were very good and in

others not so good. The judges selected Messers Ford Delong and John Chase as the winners of the first prize with "How Ya Gonna Keep 'em Down on the Farm After They've Seen Par-ee (Fredericton)? Mike McDonald who in days gone by won prizes with comic entries on similar occasions took second prize with a take off on Prohibition entitled "Rev. Sam Hornbeam on the Lemon Keg." Mrs. Libby and Jack Marven represented the Newly Weds. Joseph Ellick and R. E. Barton showed a boar with German helmet on his head as the Kaiser in captivity. A similar entry was that of Mr. Isaacson who showed a porker as Hindenburg the Baffled Beast. Robert Gibson with Master Stewart McCatherin had a burlesque on the city streets, "War is Hell, So are the Streets." Lewis Stevenson and Eldon Stevenson gave a representation of Satan leading the Kaiser to the lower regions. "The Kaiser's Dinner in Paris" was shown by L. R. Haining, H. W. Booth and Edwin Niles, crowd being the only item on the menu. Messers Johnson, Bidlake and Branscombe had an entry "The Devil Drives and "Back to the Farm" was represented by D. P. Clayton.

Other Entries

The Labor Council had a very effective float in the Peace and Patriotic class entitled "The Home-Coming". Sergt. Archie Williams represented the returned soldier and Mr. and Mrs. Allan Delong and daughter the family. Domestic surroundings were shown in detail. A well decorated car "Britannia Rules the Waves" was shown by Mrs. H. C. Copper, Violet Goodine, Lola Tracey, Lon Libby, and Hazel Cooper. The motor ambulance of the New Brunswick Military Hospital decorated, was shown by Sergt. H. Richardson and Private Alex. Deveau.

There were a number of other entries but absence of system in making them made it impossible to get a record of them.

Fifteen minutes after a widow has received her husband's life insurance, her male kin are saying that it will be just like her to refuse their advice and lose every cent of it in some wild investment.

TENDERS

Sealed Tenders addressed to the undersigned will be received up to five p.m., Thirty-first July, 1919, for repairs to the Dunbar Building, Fredericton, N. B. Specifications may be seen and form of tender obtained at the office of Sergt. Major Brewer, R. C. R., Armory, Fredericton, N. B. The lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Envelopes to be marked "Dunbar Tender."

C. McN. STEEVES, Capt. C. E. Works Officer, N. B. Armory, St. John, N. B.

IF YOU WANT TO MAKE BIG MONEY for small investment in Texas oil fields, write for complete information. Quick. Room 42, Petroleum Bldg., Fort Worth, Texas.

FOR SALE—Ford five passenger touring car, bought last August and overhauled recently, being now in A1 condition. Price \$600. Apply to Adams & Fenety, Central Garage, Newcastle Bridge, Queens County.

ADA M. SCHLEYER, FLORIST.

CHARLOTTE STREET

POTTED PLANTS, FERNS, SPIREA, TULIPS, HYACINTHS, DAFFODILS, PRIMROSES, BEGONIAS, Etc.

CUT FLOWERS—Roses, Carnations, Violets, Sweet Peas, Daffodils, etc.

LETTUCE.

COTTON MILL

HELP WANTED

FAMILIES PREFERRED. Good living conditions, cheap rents, good schools. Steady work and good working conditions.

Apply to CANADIAN COTTONS, LTD. MARYSVILLE, N. B.



MAIL CONTRACT

SEALED TENDERS addressed to the Postmaster General will be received at Ottawa until noon on FRIDAY, the 8th August, 1919, for the conveyance of His Majesty's Mails on a proposed Contract for four years, 3 times per week on the Kingsclear Rural Route, No. 1, commencing at the pleasure of the Postmaster General.

Printed notices containing further information as to conditions of proposed Contract may be seen and blank forms of Tender may be obtained at the post office of Kingsclear and at the office of the Post Office Inspector.

H. W. WOODS,

Post Office Inspector.

Post Office Inspector's Office, St. John, N. B., June 23rd, 1919.

CASTORIA

For Infants and Children

In Use For Over 30 Years

Always bears the Signature of *Chas. H. Clifton*

What the Purchaser says about our

CONCRETE BLOCKS

"as being perfectly satisfied"

"I made no mistake in choosing your Blocks"

"The house is dry & comfortable at all times"

"We are proud of our Building"

"The whole transaction with you has been a most satisfactory one"

"The Blocks are easy to handle, and we had no trouble with the erection."

"The house is easily heated."

"We found the concrete Blocks just as represented"

FREE SERVICE COUPON

Concrete Builders Limited, Fredericton, N. B.

Gentlemen: Without cost to me, send the following which I have marked X.

Booklets illustrating Hollow Blocks _____ Price List of Concrete Hollow Blocks _____

Price List of Agricultural Tile _____ Price List of Reinforced Sewer Pipe _____

Estimate of Concrete Blocks required for the attached house plans or sketches _____

Name _____

Address _____

Advertise

Tell the buying public what you have for sale.

You know your stock --- the public cannot be expected to know about it if you do not advertise.

The Mail has a large and splendid class of readers. People who pay their bills.

Get our rates.



FLORA FOLSOM, PRIMA DONNA BOSTON ENGLISH OPERA COMPANY
Opera House, Wednesday, July 23—Matinee and Night.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION ACT, 1918

NOTICE TO EMPLOYERS OF LABOR.

Whereas on the 17th day of April, A. D. 1919, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Council did by Order-in-Council bring within the scope of Part 1 of the "Workmen's Compensation Act, 1918," from and after August 1st, 1919, the following industries, viz.:

"Persons employed in the woods in logging, cutting of timber, pulpwood, firewood, railroad ties or sleepers, river driving, rafting, booming or the transportation of logs, timber pulpwood, firewood or railroad ties or sleepers."

Notice is hereby given that all persons engaged in any of the above mentioned industries are required to file a statement of their estimated payroll from August 1st, 1919, to December 31st, 1919, inclusive, with the said Board, on or before the 1st day of August, 1919.

And further notice, that any employer neglecting or refusing to furnish such estimate or information is liable to a penalty not exceeding \$20.00 per day for each day of such default, and is further liable for damages, as provided by Part 2 of said Act, in respect of any injury to any workman in his employ during the period of such default.

Note.—Forms for furnishing such information will be supplied on application.

Also please take note of the following regulation passed by the Board and coming into force on the 1st day of August, 1919:

First Aid Kit.—In an industry where ten or more persons are employed, it shall be the duty of the employer to provide a suitable FIRST AID KIT approved of by the Board and in charge of a suitable person.

WORKMEN'S COMPENSATION BOARD.

JNO. A. SINCLAIR, Chairman.

P. O. Box 1318, St. John, N. B.