

## Confessions of an Every-Day Wife

By Idah McGlone Gibson

A WOMAN'S HEART IS CAPRICIOUS.

"Well," said Theo, as he started down stairs, "here is that paper with another of those editorials you like so well. If you feel better perhaps you might like to read it."

"A number of men at the club were talking about them yesterday and one said he knew the fellow who writes them. Said he was a quiet sort of a chap just out of the army. I told him I thought he was in love."

"What makes you think that, Theo?" I asked.

"Well, a man does not think the thoughts that man writes unless he has some woman in his heart or at least on his mind. Read this last editorial and you will agree with me, I am sure."

All at once I held out my arms to Theo. "Do you have those thoughts, dear?" I asked. "And am I the woman in your heart and on your mind?"

Such is the peculiar bias of a woman's nature that I felt I must keep the love of my husband and my love for him at any cost. I realized the insidious temptation of these editorials—I knew that man was consciously or unconsciously making love to me through them. I was determined to enter the lists for Theo against Sallie Saunders, for I was sure she intended to make me as miserable as possible.

I could see that Theo was surprised at my change of tone, but he responded heartily as he always does to the least warmth of mine.

After all, it is his nature to meet any sweetness more than half way. I am quite sure he loves me better than any other woman. He is just pleased with the attention of the other woman and engrossed in the interest in the game. I am going to believe he loves me until I have positive proof that he does not.

"What did Theo do yesterday that was worse than I did at the Zoo?" I asked myself. "Perhaps, if I can make him love me to the exclusion of everyone else, we will be like the Prince and the Princess—happy ever after."

"Goodbye, dear heart," I said as I held my lips up to his. "Come back early and we will go for a ride."

Toddy held me close in his arms for a moment while he murmured: "You are very alluring and sweet Margot," he said, caressing me with that wondrous smile that I can never resist.

"I would have all the allure of Helen and all the sweetness of Heloise for you, dear," I murmured as I drew a bit closer to him.

"I'll bet a million that you have the Greek Beauty and the French sweetheart pushed off the map—the only trouble is, I am just an ordinary modern young man without ability to sing your praises in deathless prose or poetry."

"All you have to do is to sing my praises to me," I said. "What you are saying now, Theo dear, will stay in my heart as long as I live, and that is quite long enough for me."

Theo pressed me to him tightly as he said, "I must go now, dear. I see you don't care for the stockings, so I'll take them out to Eliene and we will stop at the store and you may pick out your own."

"Tally one for Margot," I said to myself triumphantly. Theo has realized that under the circumstances he would not like to see me wear the stockings.

"I confess, dear, I would like them of more delicate colors," I said sedately. "They will go better with Eliene's gowns."

"I guess that is true," he said rather ruefully, as he picked up the gorgeous and brilliant hose.

"And yet they are almost too flamboyant for her," I continued; and then I added as if in afterthought, "Do you know whom they look like, Theo? If Sallie Saunders had not taken it into her capricious head to swathe herself in the habiliments of mourning, I would say these stockings were the kind she would pick out for herself."

Again Theo looked at me curiously and rather uncomfortably, but he came back from the door to kiss me and I could see he was silently making himself a promise not to flirt with my dead brother's wife any more.

As for me, I was quite happy—a victorious happiness that had more in it than desire—and it was with a kind of ecstatic content that I turned my face to the wall and went to sleep.

(Tomorrow—"Mrs. Charlton's Tragedy.")

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## COSTS GOVT. THREE DOLLARS TO COLLECT ONE

(Wall Street Journal.)

There is in Canada current opinion that it costs the Government \$1.03 to get \$1 of gross revenue from the railroads which have been emancipated from the capitalistic class. A deficit of \$50,000,000 in 1919 is the forecast. This straightway gives rise to conjecture as to what the true relation of cost and revenue would be if some courageous Administration reached down to the bottom of our Government operation of the roads.

Thanks in part to the peculiarities of the Canadian situation the private Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific have contributed nobly to the Government's experiment in railroad operation. This and other causes have steadily lifted the percentage of cost to gross revenue. Today it is 89 percent. for the Grand Trunk and 81 per cent. for the Canadian Pacific. The percentage thus actually discloses the shocking scandal of surplus, rather than the uplifting inspiration of deficit.

Monthly statements duly audited and certified, show Canadian Pacific and Grand Trunk can still operate on their own motive power. The exact status of the government roads is not so clearly revealed. Why it is not is a matter of conjecture friendly invidious or neutral, as may be. Some irreconcilables want to know how they are to reach a conclusive audit of Canadian Northern, making a true capital investment basis for figures. Others say there is an operating deficit of more than three per cent.

What if it be so that the more wheels turn round and the faster they go, the more money they lose. If it costs 3 cents net loss to take in a dollar, isn't the taxpayer there to pay it? And doesn't the paltry 3 cents go at once back into circulation? "As long

## HEAD OF THE VETERANS' LEAGUE HEARD BY COMMITTEE OF HOUSE

J. Harry Flynn Says That Organization is Growing Steadily—Dominion and Provincial Charters Applied For—Will Organize All Soldiers for Political Purposes.

Ottawa, Oct. 1.—At the opening of this morning's session of the special committee on Soldiers' Re-establishment, a telegram was read asking representation for the Grand Army of Canada at Montreal.

J. Harry Flynn said he was representing the Grand Army of Canada. Toronto, but was not speaking for all units. The Montreal unit will be asked if Mr. MacNeill of the G. W. V. A. would be a satisfactory representative. Mr. MacNeill thought that the G. A. C. would hardly accept this arrangement. J. Harry Flynn, who is president of the United Veterans' League of Toronto, was called. He also represented the Veterans' Council, which embodies representatives of several veterans' associations. The United Veterans' League had been formed a week ago last Saturday and was growing steadily. A branch had been formed in Ottawa last night. Dominion and provincial charters were being applied for and there was a constantly increasing membership. He estimated there were 55,000 Veterans in Toronto and about 5,000 were actually signed members of the United Veterans' League. The requirement for membership was that a man must have donned the King's uniform at some time.

## TRAIN SERVICE VALLEY RAILWAY

Commencing Wednesday, October 1st, the C. N. R. will begin the operation of the Valley Railroad. On Wednesday the service will open with a passenger train leaving St. John at 1.55 p.m. and arriving at Fredericton at 5.30 p.m. This train will leave at 6 p.m. for Centreville and Woodstock. The regular service will be by passenger trains leaving St. John at 1.55 p.m. Tuesdays, Thursdays and Saturdays, arriving at Fredericton at 5.30 p.m., and leaving for Centreville at 6 p.m. on the same days.

Passenger trains will leave Centreville at 7 a.m. for St. John, arriving at Fredericton at 11 a.m., and leaving at 11.30 a.m. for St. John.

On Mondays, Wednesdays and Fridays service will be by mixed train leaving St. John at 6 a.m., arriving in Fredericton at 11 a.m., leaving at 2 p.m. for Woodstock and Centreville. The south-bound train will leave Centreville at 6.15 a.m., arriving at Fredericton at 11.40 a.m., and leave at 3 p.m. for St. John.

On Tuesday, Thursday and Saturday a through sleeper for Quebec will run from St. John to Fredericton and be attached to No. 23 Express leaving at 6.25 p.m., stop at McGivney, where it will be attached to No. 501 train on the Transcontinental and proceed to Quebec via Edmundston, Monk and the Bridge, arriving at 11 a.m. the next day. A. H. LYND.

## WON'T TAKE ADVICE.

"Isn't it too bad that our husbands won't take our advice oftener? I'm sure they would be better off," said one woman to another.

"Indeed they would," replied the other, who chanced to be the wife of a horseman. "Would you believe it, season after season I advise my husband not to bet on looting horses, but the poor simp keeps on doing it just the same."

## Nearly Every Girl Can Make Herself Pretty and Attractive

EVERY GIRL SHOULD THINK ABOUT.

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as she has a dollar left to burn, why shouldn't the taxpayer writhe and turn.

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Wed., Fri., Sun.	1.35 a.m. Ar. Edmundston	Lv. 2.50 a.m.	" " "

(Eastern Standard Time.)

" " "	12.45 a.m. Lv. Edmundston	1.40 a.m.	" " "
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