

WIDOW FIGHTING  
WOMAN SHE SAYS  
LURED HUSBAND

Mrs. Hall Charges Mrs. Smith  
With Influencing Rich  
Man's Will.

CUT OFF HIS FAMILY.

Wife Says She Enticed Him  
From Home and "Feath-  
ered Her Nest."

Mrs. Ella Louise Hall of No. 645  
West End avenue, widow of Charles  
Mason Hall, once a wealthy marine  
insurance expert, to-day obtained  
from Surrogate Cobain an order by  
which she hopes to reveal the intimate  
history of her dead husband's  
association with Mrs. Ella Seaman  
Smith of Charlottesville, Va., whom  
Mrs. Hall charges with alienating his  
affections and leading him into a  
wasteful and wanton life of dissipation  
and extravagance.

Mrs. Hall's charges are contained  
in her husband's application to be  
appointed temporary administratrix of  
her husband's estate. She alleges  
Mrs. Smith stole her husband from  
her and enticed him to flee with her  
to Charlottesville, where they lived  
together on a large plantation Hall  
purchased.

Ten days after Hall died in Char-  
lottesville, Oct. 16, Mrs. Smith filed  
his will for probate in the Surrogate's  
Court here. It directed that she was  
to have sole charge of his body and  
to be administratrix of the estate with-  
out bond. The filing of the will au-  
tomatically revoked letters of adminis-  
tration which had been granted to  
Mrs. Hall, who supposed her husband  
died intestate. The will made no pro-  
vision for Mrs. Hall.

To-day, on Mr. Hall's application,  
the Surrogate signed an order direct-  
ing that all persons concerned in the  
matter appear before him next Tues-  
day to give testimony by which he  
may direct the disposal of Mrs. Hall's  
estate, estimated to be at least \$20,000.

According to the widow's petition,  
Hall deserted her and their four chil-  
dren several years ago and went to  
live with Mrs. Smith, supporting her  
in luxury in homes in Bohemia, Larch-  
mont, Mamaroneck and Charlottesville.  
He not only educated Mrs.  
Smith's children, the petition states,  
but bought a big plantation for her in  
the Blue Ridge Mountains.

Last April, Mrs. Hall charges, Mrs.  
Smith induced Hall to leave New  
York to get away from process servers  
who sought him for failing to pay alim-  
ony due her under an order of the  
Supreme Court.

"I tried to persuade him from the  
course of life he led," says the peti-  
tion, "for the sake of the children. I  
was granted a separation and \$300 a  
month alimony in the spring of 1911.  
I tried to get him to find my  
husband. I learned then that Mrs.  
Smith harbored and concealed him in  
a house in West Ninety-fourth Street,  
near Riverside Drive.

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friends for the support of myself and  
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her husband, and that Mrs. Smith  
"practically feathered her nest, she  
being thirty-three years old and Mr.  
Hall fifty-one."

Mrs. Hall says her husband often  
made as much as \$50,000 a year and  
was liberal in supporting her and  
their children until Mrs. Smith came  
into his life. After that, she says,  
she found it difficult to get enough  
for living expenses. She sued Mrs.  
Smith for alimony, but service of the  
papers was avoided when she was  
taken to Virginia.

"I do not leave anything to Ella L.  
Hall or my children," said Hall's will,  
"for the reason that the latter have  
been amply provided for and the for-  
mer has had all the money and sup-  
port for years which I could afford  
to give her."

Nearing Century Mark.  
BELVIDERE, N. J., Nov. 27.—Thomas  
Payne, a veteran of the Crimean War  
and the oldest person in Warren County,  
has just celebrated his ninety-eighth  
birthday. He is hale and hearty, and  
expects to see a century of life.  
He resides with his daughter, Mrs.  
Harry Boardman. Payne was killed in  
Belvidere over half a century and is  
known by every one.

American Woman a Slave, Not a Comrade;  
Captive of Pocketbook and Affections



MRS. BLANCHE SHOEMAKER WAGSTAFF

Blanche Shoemaker Wagstaff Thinks Her Economic  
Freedom Would Be a Remedy—Advocates Late  
Marriages and a Business Training for  
Girls Just as for Boys.

By Marguerite Mooers Marshall.

Even the American woman is still a slave, held captive by the American  
man through her pocketbook and through her affections. The freest woman  
in the world, she has yet to win her economic and her emotional liberty.

That is the position taken by Blanche Shoemaker  
Wagstaff in the discussion of M. Eugene Brieux's theory  
that in too many instances the modern woman is in  
bondage, an unhappy victim of the tyranny of the mod-  
ern man. An "Immortal" of the Academie Francaise  
and acclaimed the greatest French dramatist since  
Moliere, M. Brieux has confessedly striven "to awaken  
society to the fact that woman is mistreated and mal-  
treated." Yet, despite the breadth and humanity of his  
poignant dramas, American critics are likely to ask,  
"What does he know about our women and how they're  
treated? Can they be called slaves in any sense of the word?"

Being myself among the questioners, I appealed to Mrs. Wagstaff, poet,  
essayist, feminist and an accredited representative of society in the smaller  
as well as in the larger sense. As the daughter of Henry Shoemaker, mil-  
lionaire financier, and the wife of Alfred Wagstaff Jr., she has always had a  
home just east of Fifth Avenue, with all that that implies. But the silver  
spoon of social position has never contented her. "Eris," the latest of her  
five volumes of verse, has won glowing praise from the eminent French  
philosopher, Bergson, and in the International and other magazines she has  
published illuminating prose studies of the position of woman in the past  
and in the present.

"The word 'woman' embodies a long,  
tragic history of suffering and sub-  
ordination," she wrote recently. "It  
is safe to predict, however, that male  
rule will be abolished as slavery—for  
such it is."  
"Then you do feel that the Ameri-  
can woman is still a slave?" I asked.  
"She is a slave through her affec-  
tions, and she has not won economic  
freedom," retorted Mrs. Wagstaff.  
"That is how the American male holds  
her."

FREE WOMEN WHEN THEY  
LEARN TRADE OR PROFESSION.

Then this daughter of one rich man  
and wife of another made an interest-  
ing plea.

"Women will never be free in  
America," she said earnestly,  
"until every girl is taught how to  
work, given some trade or pro-  
fession which will guarantee her  
economic independence."  
"We have heard so much about the  
immorality of the parasite  
wife, who is dependent on her  
husband for food and clothes and  
shelter. And I believe that condi-  
tion of affairs to be utterly  
remedied. But what alternative has  
a married woman who has been  
taught nothing?"

"Instead of marrying at eighteen  
or nineteen, she should have been  
given the years of business or  
professional training which her  
unmarried brother had. Then, married  
or unmarried, she would be free."  
"Also, society would have taken a  
long step toward the settlement of  
the divorce problem. We ought to  
make marriage more difficult, instead  
of making divorce easier. It is those  
ridiculous early marriages that are  
so likely to end unhappily."

"A girl marries at eighteen as the  
result of a sudden infatuation, a wave  
of passion; in a year or two the wave  
rolls back and then what is left to  
keep the husband and wife together?  
Whereas if she had waited till she  
was twenty-five or thirty, working  
meanwhile as a young man are obliged  
to work, she might have married for  
comradeship as well as for love, and  
had a lasting happiness."

THE EVIL OF MARRYING AND  
UNMARRYING IN A RUSH.

"Instead of this business of getting  
married in a rush, with the underly-  
ing thought that if you don't like it  
you can get unmarried a few months  
later, marriage should come only after  
long friendships and after a careful  
physical and mental examination by  
the proper authorities. The more of  
us might realize that ideal—the one  
marriage which lasts a lifetime."

Mrs. Wagstaff is especially beauti-  
ful. She has a fine, round, fair  
Greek head, wreathed with hair like  
the finest gold wire, is tilted forward,  
her big blue eyes are softly luminous  
and the sweet, rose flush in her  
smooth cheeks seems to deepen a trifle.  
We sat talking in opposite cor-  
ners of the deep, low settle in her  
eyrie studio. There, high above New  
York, she does her work, surrounded  
by myriad reminders of the Helias  
she has always loved and whose spirit  
breathes in so many of her lyrics.

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had been entered and the defendant  
furnished a bond of \$1,000.

Haggerty charges that Abrams sent  
word to him a short time ago that a  
suit for divorce had been begun against  
Mrs. Abrams and that unless Haggerty  
paid Abrams \$500, the name of Stewart  
Haggerty would be injected into the  
case as the co-respondent. Efforts were  
made by friends of Haggerty to call  
Abrams off, but it is charged he in-  
sisted that Haggerty had the money  
and would have to pay.

Haggerty went to District Attorney  
Crosby, who advised him to go  
through the form of giving the money  
to Abrams and then have the man as-  
sessed. Accordingly Haggerty went to  
an office at No. 61 Broadway on Nov.  
20, accompanied by Detective John  
Manning of Brooklyn, and handed  
Abrams the \$500, which had been  
marked in the District Attorney's  
office.

Within a few minutes after the  
transaction, Manning arrested  
Abrams, and it is alleged, found the  
marked bills in his pocket. This is  
the outline of the case as made public  
to-day, but the full facts will not  
come out until Abrams is tried.

Minimum Wage Law Attacked.  
WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Bills in  
the case brought by Frank C. Stettler,  
a Portland, Ore., manufacturer, to have  
declared unconstitutional the Oregon  
compulsory minimum wage law for  
women, were laid to-day in the Supreme  
Court. The briefs urge that such legis-  
lation is beyond the power of a State;  
is unsupported by public opinion, would  
be destructive of business and increase  
the cost of living.

Rockhill on Way to China.  
SAN FRANCISCO, Cal., Nov. 27.—  
William Woodville Rockhill, former  
United States Minister to China, ar-  
rived in San Francisco to-day on his  
way to Peking, where he will become  
one of the confidential advisers of  
President Yuan Shi Kai. Mr. Rockhill  
has been intimately associated with  
Oriental affairs for thirty years.

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Navy Officers Expect She  
Will Be Floated To-Night.

HAS NOT BEEN DAMAGED

Two Warships and Four Tugs  
Stand By to Aid—Stranded  
Near Cape Henry.

Norfolk, Va., Nov. 27.—Failure of  
the battleship Michigan's "kedge"  
anchors to keep her in the right  
course while four naval tugs tried to  
pull her free from the sand bar in

another Tarzan story!



Tarzan is back!  
"THE BEASTS OF TARZAN," a se-  
quel to "TARZAN OF THE APES," by E.  
R. Burroughs, will begin in Monday's  
EVENING WORLD. It will be THE  
EVENING WORLD'S complete novel for  
that week.  
"THE BEASTS OF TARZAN" tells of  
his amazing exploits among the wild  
animals which are his friends and foes.  
Read it.

The Cape Henry Hornet was re-  
sponsible for failure to dislodge her  
to-day. The tug abandoned their  
efforts until the next high tide late  
this afternoon, when it is expected  
she will be floated.

The weather is calm and the war-  
ship is not thought to be in any  
immediate danger. It was believed  
that with thirty feet of water under  
her at high tide, the Michigan, with a  
mean draught of 25 feet, would be  
floated. The Michigan is resting on a  
sandy bottom about eleven miles off  
the Virginia cape.

Four of the most powerful tugs in  
the navy, the supply ship Culgoa and  
two battleships are standing by to  
render assistance.

The Michigan had been feeling her  
way into Hampton Roads when, about  
4 A. M. yesterday, the fog became so  
thick that Capt. Niblack, knowing the  
treacherous nature of the bottom and  
the uncertainty of the tides, decided  
to anchor where he was and wait for  
clearer weather.

When the fog lifted the Michigan  
was found to be lying in only thirty  
feet of water, and as the tide went  
out this margin proved insufficient,  
so that her stern lightly rested on  
the bottom.

An official report of the accident  
has been sent to Washington by  
Rear-Admiral Fletcher, commanding  
the Atlantic Fleet, whose flagship,  
the New York, is standing by the  
stranded vessel.

WASHINGTON, Nov. 27.—Rear  
Admiral Fletcher reported to-day he  
expected to get the battleship Michi-  
gan off the sandy bottom in which  
her stern rests during high tide into  
this afternoon. In case the high tide  
to-day is not sufficient to float the  
ship she will be lightened some.  
Secretary of the Navy Daniels, in  
making this announcement, stated  
that the Michigan was undamaged.

CANTOR GETS RECOUNT.

A margin of only 40 votes between a  
candidate and a seat in Congress is nar-  
row enough to entitle the candidate to  
examine the ballots cast for and against  
him. In the opinion of Supreme Court  
Justice Newburger, Justice Newburger  
to-day ordered that Jacob A. Cantor,  
who was beaten in the Twentieth Con-  
gressional District by Isaac Siegel, a  
lawyer, be allowed to have the votes  
counted again.

Thomas F. Gilroy of No. 42 Broadway  
argued for Cantor that a recount would  
show enough mistakes in counting 12,500  
votes to entitle Cantor to go to Wash-  
ington, despite the fact that he lost out  
by 40 votes on the returns. Leonard J.  
Obermayer, who opposed the order, said  
he counted a recount would only in-  
crease Siegel's plurality.

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tagnac in the favored styles.  
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