

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

MISCONSTRUED.

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John Carroll sat tipped back in his office chair, his feet perched comfortably on the desk in front of him. The click-click of a typewriter mingled with the murmur of voices came to him indistinctly through the closed door, the curtains of which were drawn—signal to his office force that he was busy and must not be disturbed.

"London, England. Dear Mr. Carroll—Mother is writing to friends at home and she is sailing for New York Wednesday (today's Monday) on the 'Breitland'." It is a slow boat, and brings us to port a week from Seattle. Please come and meet us. We shall be utterly helpless in that room and beside after the two years spent in this sea-going hemisphere.

"I wonder if mother's 'Legal Adviser' has changed and if he will recognize him at the pier. As for my foreign capital, he has added three inches to my height, but the dignity of a presentation at court."

"Until the coming Saturday, faithfully, 'MARGARET CLEARWATER'." That signature meant so much and so little!

Another letter in finer hand, read:

"Dear John—Margaret is writing for your help on our arrival, but I am not going away. A young fellow from Pittsburgh, named Richards, met Margaret at a country house in Devonshire six months ago, and she has been devoted to him ever since. How devoted I did not dream until she told me yesterday that he had proposed. In spite of my protests he has gone on his youth, Margaret has promised him an answer in two months."

"By the last year I have been trying to persuade her to accept an American suitor who has a tidy brewing business in Yorkshire and who has been her constant shadow, but she says she will marry an American or die a bachelor girl."

"Now John, please look this fellow up financially. I am not yet persuaded she is taking after Margaret. And when we get home, do use your influence with her to postpone the whole business until she comes of age. I don't think it will seem to be within easy reach of your sound advice once more! Sincerely,

"EVELYN CLEARWATER." Ten years before, fresh from college where he had made a name for himself as crack guard and all-around athlete, had joined Stephen Clearwater as his private secretary. For five years he and Margaret (Clearwater's only child) had lived very good friends. She always looked her tribute of candy on him whenever he appeared at her house, and usually managed to accompany him to the pier when overhauling her father's real estate interests.

"Then he had started his own business, she had gone away to school and they had not met until her home-coming for her father's funeral, shortly after which she had returned to Europe. As for the last ten years, he acknowledged to himself that he could not tell just when it was that he had fallen in love with Margaret. Certain it was, she had never discovered his affection, much less reciprocated it. He had let her go to Europe, without raising any objection, thinking that there would be plenty of time after her return. And now she was returning practically engaged to another man, the candidate he had been building for the past two years had suddenly tumbled about his ears."

"He fished upon him that her ship was away in a couple of days, and that it devolved upon him to look up this young beauty in the nick of time. On Saturday found Carroll at the pier. Emerging from the rush of passengers, Mrs. Clearwater greeted him with the warmest of smiles. Margaret, who had offered her hand in a formal way and turned to bid adieu to acquaintances at the pier, saw the mother and daughter safely ensconced in a cab and left them to rejoin Mrs. Clearwater at their hotel after dinner."

"Well, John," Mrs. Clearwater said as she entered the room that night, "I've sent Margaret off to her room, and she can have a talk alone. You can see her later, but I must retire early and sleep off the riding of the ship. First I want to know what you have heard about young Richards. He's all right, socially, but I'm perfectly sure he's not after Margaret's money. I've made inquiries among my friends."

"A FELLOW FEELING Why She Fell Lenient Towards the Drunkard." A great deal depends on the point of view. A good temperance woman was led, in a very peculiar way, to revise her somewhat harsh judgment of the poor devil who cannot resist his cups, and she is now the more charitable. She writes:

"For many years I was a great sufferer from asthma. Finally my health got so poor that I found I could not lie down, but walked the floor whilst others slept. I got so nervous I could not rest anywhere. Specialists told me I must give up the use of coffee—the main thing that I always thought gave me some relief. I consulted our family physician, and he, being a coffee fiend himself told me to pay no attention to their advice. Coffee had such a charm for me that in passing a restaurant and seeing a whiff of the fragrance I could not resist a cup. I felt very lenient towards the drunkard who could not pass the saloon. Friends often urged me to try Postum, but I turned a deaf ear, saying 'That may do for people to whom coffee is harmful, but not for me—coffee and I will never part.'"

"At last, however, I bought a package of Postum, although I was sure I could not drink it. I prepared it as directed, and served it for breakfast. Well, bitter as I was against it, I must say that never before had I tasted a more delicious cup of coffee! From that day to this (more than 2 years) I have never had a desire for the old coffee. My health soon returned, the asthma disappeared, I began to sleep well and in a short time I gained 20 pounds in weight."

"One day I handed my physician the tablets he had prescribed for me, telling him I had no use for them. He stayed for dinner. When I passed him his coffee cup he remarked 'I am glad to see you were sensible enough not to let yourself be persuaded that coffee was ever drank.' He continued: 'The trouble is so few people know how to make good coffee.' When he got his second cup, I told him he was drinking Postum. He was incredulous, but I convinced him, and now he uses nothing but Postum in his home and has greatly improved his health.' Names given by Postum Co., Battle Creek, Mich. Look in each package for the famous little book 'The Road to Wellville.'"

replied Carroll in a dry voice, "and find his family fortunes considerably more than double Margaret's inheritance."

"I feel she is wholly right about it," Mrs. Clearwater interrupted Carroll. "She knows she is responsible to you alone, and I am sure that whatever I might say would not only fail to convince her, but would sacrifice her friendship, a thing which I am very anxious to retain."

"Margaret's entrance cut short further conversation. Mrs. Clearwater excused herself, and Carroll found himself alone with the girl."

"Margaret, your mother has asked me to honor a very difficult task," he began, "but—"

"She looked up at him and there was a gleam in her eye. 'When I told you that you would have to take care of me, I meant it in the way you thought I didn't mean it.'"

"I have declined her request. Instead

I must tell you what has been in my heart for a long time. I love you, Margaret, have loved you—for how many years I do not know."

"She did not draw back but opened her big blue eyes with a little twinkle and waited for him to go on."

"When your mother wrote me of your intended engagement I first realized the height and breadth of my passion for you and ever since I have been wondering how I shall do without you. I suppose I shall manage it somehow, but I could not keep silent. It was asking too much of my heart, and so I have told you—not all—but a small part of my story. I hope—"

"What he hoped was not told, for the next moment, with a girl in his arms, he was transported to a paradise he had not dreamed of."

"Some time afterward, when articulate speech had returned to John, a voice from his shoulder asked: 'John, dear, how long have you loved me?'"

"You remember the day your father died and you came to me and said that I would have to take care of you in the future? I realized then that I wanted to take care of you—in a different way. And now Miss Hardheart, how long have you loved me without giving any sign?"

"Stupid!" she replied with a gleam of mischief in her eye. "When I told you that you would have to take care of me, I meant it in the way you thought I didn't mean it."

SOCIETY

One of the elaborately appointed luncheons of the season was that of yesterday, when Mrs. Thomas Marleneaux entertained some thirty friends at the Commercial club. The round table was laid in the private dining-room and was bountiful with its decorations of pink and green. In the center of the table was a vase of pink roses, the base of the vase imbedded in a mass of plumosa, with delicate sprays of the green falling from the vase over the cloth. On either side clusters of roses and sprays of plumosa were scattered over the cloth, while a rope of plumosa thickly studded with the delicate pink roses, was placed just within the plates and extended the full distance around the table. After the luncheon the beautiful flowers were presented to the guests. Hand-painted place cards in conventional designs were found at the places. All the curtains were drawn and the pink-shaded electroluxes cast a pretty light over the room. Mrs. Marleneaux is always a most charming hostess and her guests yesterday pronounced the luncheon one of the most delightful of the season. The service was perfect, as is always true of affairs given at the Commercial club. Mrs. Marleneaux's invited guests were Mrs. George Sutherland, Mrs. Hal Brown, Mrs. Rachel Bradley, Mrs. A. H. Jones, Mrs. William Joseph L. Rawlins, Mrs. Harry Windsor, Mrs. E. Evans, Mrs. George Brley, Mrs. William H. Jones, Mrs. David Evans, Mrs. J. A. Longley, Mrs. George W. Snow, Mrs. D. N. Straup, Mrs. F. A. Whittemore, Mrs. Henry P. Henderson, Mrs. H. C. Edwards, Mrs. W. J. Lynch, Mrs. Harry M. Emmert, Mrs. David E. Humphreys, Mrs. C. Ira Tuttle, Mrs. Allen T. Sanford, Mrs. Frank C. Kelsey, Mrs. A. H. Foxrud, Mrs. J. W. Delano, Mrs. Brockman, Mrs. Brownlee, Mrs. W. Wilson, Mrs. Byron Cummings, Mrs. H. J. Dinwiddie, Mrs. Joseph Richards, Mrs. Kerckhoff, Mrs. Knight, Mrs. Ernest A. Greenwood.

Mrs. Ellsworth Daggett entertained at a luncheon yesterday in honor of Mrs. J. Walcott Thompson. The table was entirely decorated in jonquills growing in daily vases and creating a charming effect. Following the menu bridge was enjoyed. The guests were Mrs. Harkness, Mrs. Montague Ferry, Mrs. Fischer, Mrs. Jewell, Mrs. Lindley, Mrs. Terry, Miss Terry, Mrs. Woodward, Miss Anderson and Miss Judge.

Miss Judge entertains at luncheon at Saturday in honor of Mrs. Galligher of Omaha.

Mrs. Downey entertained at cards yesterday complimentary to Mrs. Galligher.

Mrs. Worthington entertained at bridge yesterday.

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The Home Protection league will meet at the home of Mrs. D. H. Twombly, 229 1/2 clock this afternoon. Important business.

The marriage of Miss Myrtle Banks and Le Roy Eccles of Ogden was solemnized in the Temple yesterday, and in the evening a delightful reception was given in honor of the young couple at the home of the bride's mother, 82 East First South street. The rooms had been tastefully decorated and were filled with the friends of the bride and groom. An orchestra discoursed a programme of music in the hallway and to the accompaniment the guests passed to and fro in the rooms. Punch was served by Miss Hazel Beattie and assisting in the refreshment room were Misses Rich, Davidson, Banks and Johnson. Assisting in receiving the guests was Miss Genevieve Ellerbeck. The bride wore a stylish and exquisite gown of white crepe du chine over taffeta and carried bride roses. The bridesmaid was Miss "Carrie" Eccles of Ogden, who was dressed in fawn-colored crepe du chine and carried red roses. Hugh Douglas was the best man. Mr. and Mrs. Eccles will live in Ogden, where they have many friends and all wish them a happy and successful married life.

The two Jennings halls were crowded last evening, events going on in each one. The Evening of the Women of the World party in their hall, which is the old University club. Over 200 were present, and

it was one of the largest and most enjoyable events of the kind given this season. In the other hall, which is in the corner building, the Modern Woodmen gave a masquerade, which was largely attended and proved rare sport for all. Punch and refreshments were served at each party.

Mrs. Joseph Smith of East Sixth South entertained at dinner Thursday afternoon. Covers were laid for twelve. Those present were Mesdames Erles, Luman, Young, Armstrong, Madeen, Bowen, Rivers, Smith, Hewlett, Anderson and Miss Bowen.

J. E. Orbeson and his brother, Rob Orbeson, gave a delightful stag party last night to a dozen friends, in honor of George H. Dutch, who is soon to quit the realm of bachelorhood.

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SMOOT TESTIMONY.

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