Reading for Women and all the Family

THE PLOTTERS

A New Serial of East and West

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CHAPTER LVII.

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Elizabeth Wade went into her own room, gripping John Butler's letter tightly. It seemed the one thing for her to hold fast to.

Some instinct made her turn the key in the door behind her. She could not endure the possibility of any one's intruding on her privacy. Then she sat down and with trembling hands tore open the envelope she held.

"My darling," she read.

Her first love letter! As a girl she had dreamed of the man who would some day write to her like this.

In her dazed condition she had almost forgotten her anxiety and fear. Now both rushed back upon her like mighty forces as she read what her lover had to tell her.

He was being detained pending further investigation into the death of Amos Chapin. That was the way he put it. To the girl the sentence meant but one thing.

John was accused of murder. He would be tried, perhaps found guilty, by a group of men who knew nothing about him. He might even be—

She started to her feet in an agony of terror. Then, with a sharp self-reprimand, she sat down again.

"For his sake I must keep sane," she muttered.

For His Sake

Slowly she read the closely written pages. Investigation of the course the bullet had taken showed that the wound could not have been self-inflicted; at least, that was what the coroner's jury decided.

"We know they are wrong," John wrote, "and truth must conquer eventually. Chapin shot himself. I do not know wether this was accidental or not. It may have been that he was crazed by rage; perhaps he took up the pistol with the idea of self-defense, and in his agitation pulled the trigger.

"Yet it is strange that I do not remember seeing him touch the thing as he came toward me. Perhaps I, too, was so much excited that it escaped my notice. I recall bracing myself for his attack, and thinking that I must not strike an elderly man, even in self-defense.

"Then there was a blinding flash and he fell. In falling he must have flung the pistol upon the table again. It is all like an awful dream to me. I know my explanatin sounds insane and ridiculus. It will sound so to the jurors wh will try my case.

"You and Mrs. Chapin will be called as witnesses, of course. I wish I could spare you all this, my darling. My fear is not for myself, but for you—fear that this shock will make you ill, fear that you are wretchedly unhappy. I am thankful your brother is coming. You must do just what he tells you to do.

"Meanwhile there are the countless delays of the law. You have heard of them. So have I. I have spoken lightly, jestingly of them. I shall never do so again.

"Do not worry about me, dearest. I am comfortable here in this little country jail. Later, of course, I do not know, and I must be patient and await developments. I will try to write you regularly.

No Self-Pity

"Write to me if you can, please dear. I will tell the man who takes this to wait for an answer."

Then there followed repetitions of his love for her and his regret at what he was causing her to suffer—his desire that she try to be happy in spite of all that had happened.

Not a word of self-pity. Not a word of his fear for himself. And his life was in danger.

Elizabeth sat motionless for some time. She felt unable to make any muscular effort. At last she dragged herself to her feet. Her limbs were numb, her brain dazed. But she must force herself to write something to this man, who depended upon her love.

Seating herself at the table, she took a sheet of paper out of the drawer and, with unsteady fingers, scribbled a few lines.

There was such a blur before her eyes that she could scarcely see. John must not suspect this.

"Darling," she wrote.

(This term of endearment came naturally from her pen. It was as if she and John had been married for years—she took her love and his so entirely as a matter of course.)

"I am sending you just this little note. I was out when your messenger came and as I have kept him waiting so long, I must let him return to you soon.

I am loving you better and trusting you more all the time. I am sure everything will come out right. It must. it will. You and I must stay our souls upon this belief.

"ELIZABETH."

"Still acting a part," she muttered; "pretending not to be afraid when I am."

Unlocking her door, she went on downstairs. The man who had brought John's letter was on the side-porch, Mrs. Miller had said. Elizabeth felt she could not face him. Going to the kitchen, she handed the letter to Mrs. Miller.

Solicitous Soul

"Would you mind," she said tremulously, "giving this to that man? Ask him to give it to Mr. Butler."

When Mrs. Miller had handed the letter to the messenger and returned to the kitchen she found Elizabeth standing where she had left her.

"You look clean tuckered out," the matron remarked solicitously. "Why not lie down, like Mrs. Chapin's done? What's the matter?" as the girl caught at a chair to steady herself. "Tell me the truth, honey!"

"The truth"—Elizabeth's teeth chattered as if from a hard chill, "the truth is that—John—and I are engaged to be married. And he is held for the—the murder—of—of Amos Chapin."

She swayed, and would have fallen but for Mrs. Miller's supporting arms.

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MAKING THE MOST OF OUR CHILDREN

A Series of Plain Talks to Parents

By Ray C. Beery, A.B., M.A.
President of the Parents Association.

You never see a child continue long any line of action after he finds it doesn't get the desired results. In this respect, children often are more sensible than their parents.

Take the habit of teasing, for instance. One mother writes to me:

"Our little daughter expects us to play with her all the time. She acts very naughty if we don't play with her every time she wants us to, which of course isn't always possible. Please advise how to overcome her disagreeable habit."

Simply set aside a certain amount of time—say, five minutes—and let the child understand at the beginning of the five-minute period that at the end of that time you will have to go to work. Once or twice at least before the time is up, remind her about how many minutes more you can play. Then, just before you leave, it is a good idea to have her do some stunt for you. Say, "All right, we'll do this two more times together and then I must go." Just before executing the last stunt, announce that it will be the last. Immediately after doing it, start to leave and even though the child keeps on talking, continue walking toward the place where you are going to work. Never go back and do another stunt after you have executed what you said would be the last. The child may tease some at first, but if you carry out this policy absolutely, she soon will discontinue it naturally.

It will aid you in solving your problem to furnish her with some moulding clay, out of which she can make little pies and cakes. Make it a point to leave sugestions with her as to what she might make and then approve her in due time for her efforts. Not only furnish her with interesting things to occupy her attention, and suggestions to carry on, but it is quite essential to show a great personal interest in her affairs and be enthusiastic about her doings.

Don't be afraid to use suggestions. If you want her to like to play alone, talk to others in her presence about what a fine time she has playing she is baking pies, taking her doll to church, etc. Frequently during the day when she is playing contentedly, near you, make remarks about how she likes to play at whatever she happens to be doing. These suggestions will have their effect.

One may very quickly cure the teasing child by using firmness in the proper way. Too often we have expressions like this: "Won't you ever get through teasing?" or "Don't try to tease me all day, can't you see I'm busy?" or "Do you want to worry the life out of me when I have so much to do?" But these all suggest fault-finding. Such expressions also tend to make the child think of himself as being a teaser and a nuisance which is by no means desirable. And these expressions also suggest weakness.

The better idea is to make no suggestions whatever that the child is not the best friend you have, but in a most calm manner, let the child understand that teasing doesn't work with you and that you won't have it done around you.

The child will soon learn and both parent and child will be happier as a result of this new policy.

McAdoo Demands That Wilson Shall Be Dictator

Washington, Oct. 28.—The storm of political feeling occasioned by President Wilson's appeal to the country to vote for none but Democratic candidates, was increased last night by a statement from Secretary McAdoo, the President's son-in-law, which is declared to be a supplement to that of the President.

In this Secretary McAdoo argues that all authority placed in Congress by the constitution shall be abrogated by the voters in the coming election.

Mr. McAdoo's specific declaration is this:

"The President, who is commander-in-chief of the army and navy of the United States, must not have the authority divided in the United States between the Congress on the one hand and himself upon the other."

Congress is the body Mr. McAdoo is discussing here, with no reference to either Republican or Democratic control. He proceeds, however, to explain that the abrogation of the authority of Congress can be accomplished by the election of a Democratic majority in both houses, which obviously means that there will be no exercise of authority by the Democrats, but absolute dictation of legislative action by the President.

N. Y. Herald Forecasts Republican House Majority

New York, Oct. 28.—The New York Herald, having made its customary pre-election canvass, publishes the results.

Its forecast is that the United States Senate will remain Democratic by a reduced majority, but that the Republicans will win control of the House by a narrow margin.

THREE MARINE CORP AVIATORS ARE KILLED

Washington, Oct. 28.—Three fatalities among Marine Corps officers in the aviation service abroad were reported to the Navy Department today by Vice Admiral Sims. Second Lieutenants Harry C. Norman, Davenport, Iowa, and Caleb W. Taylor, Pelahatchie, Miss., were killed, when a mobing plane was shot down by the Germans on the Belgian front. Lieutenant Ralph Talbot, South Weymouth, Mass., was killed when his plane fell in the same sector.

FORMER ASSEMBLYMAN DIES

Rochester, Pa., Oct. 28.—Hartford P. Brown, 60 years old, of Hope Valley, R. F., former member of the Pennsylvania Legislature from Beaver county died of heart failure yesterday while visiting relatives. He was elected to the Legislature on the Republican ticket in 1886.

RIOTS DAILY GERMAN SPORT

London, Oct. 28.—It is persistently reported that riots are of daily occurrence in various parts of Germany, resulting in conflicts with the police and loss of life. The lack of raw material, especially for explosives, is seriously hampering munition works. It is started that Krupps have been compelled to dismiss many workers.

Look out for Spanish Influenza.

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PNEUMONIA IS FATAL TO PASTOR

Rev. E. E. Curtis Dies After an Illness Lasting but a Few Days

REV. EDWARD E. CURTIS

The Rev. Edward E. Curtis, for seven years pastor of Westminster Presbyterian Church and prior to coming to Harrisburg for nine years pastor at Chestnut Level, Lancaster county, died of pneumonia at his late home, 1502 Green street, yesterday morning. He had been seriously ill for six days. His wife, too, is seriously ill. Word of his death was yesterday communicated to the officers of Carlisle Presbytery. The Rev. George Fulton, stated clerk of presbytery, referred to the death of the Rev. Mr. Curtis as a calamity to prsbytery. Funeral services likely will be held on Wednesday morning. Necessarily, because of the ban on public funerals, the services will be private, being attended only by members of the session of Westminster Church, who will be pallbearers. Burial will be at Chestnut Level, within the bounds of the Presbytery of Lancaster.

Upon the retirement of the Rev. William McNally as pastor of Westminster, seven years ago the congregation called the Rev. Mr. Curtis, who then was serving his first charge at Chestnut Level. It was upon the suggestion of the late Rev. Dr. E. T. Jeffers, president of York Collegiate Institute, that Mr. Curtis was invited to fill the pulpit, the congregation being advised of the success of the pastorate in Lancaster county. The call followed, and the Rev. Mr. Curtis began a pastorate that was characterized by untiring work. Members of Westminster Church who discussed the death of their pastor yesterday did so in broken voice and in many instances with tear-filled eyes. He was distinctively a pastor who mingled with his people. He had made the midweek prayer service unique and it was his custom during the months that followed the entrance of Westminster boys into the war to have special services of prayer in their honor.

Because of the serious illness of Mrs. Curtis, who was stricken with pneumonia last April at the conclusion of the meeting of Presbytery, held in Westminster Church, Mr. Curtis had been under a severe mental strain. When the epidemic invaded the homes of his parishioners he in no wise relaxed his labors in ministering to the sick. It is believed the task was more than he could bear and he went down under the burden. Although feeling badly on Friday prior to taking his bed he would not give up, and it was not until the following Sunday he gave way. His last official act was to send notices to the members of the congregation appointing a meeting for the coming Wednesday evening, at which time the congregation was to be asked to join in petitioning Carlisle Presbytery to dissolve the pastoral relations. Because of Mrs. Curtis' condition he had accepted the pastorate of the Presbyterian Church at Les Vegas, New Mexico, where he hoped change of climate would benefit Mrs. Curtis. He had made all plans to leave Harrisburg and was to have departed within a few days.

The Rev. Edwin E. Curtis was 46 years old, a graduate of Princeton University of the class of 1899 and of the theological seminary of the class of 1902. Several years ago he married Miss Harriet Jeffers, daughter of the late Rev. Dr. E. T. Jeffers, who survives him with one daughter. He was a member of the Harrisburg Ministerial Association and of the Presbyterian Cleric. Members of the congregation are to be notified of the arrangements for filling the pulpit until a pastor shall have been secured. The session will submit resolutions and Carlisle Presbytery will take action.

Will Rush Men Overseas Despite the Peace Talk

Washington, Oct. 28.—Army training camp commanders have been ordered to eliminate from their shedules all work that can be done after the men arrive overseas, as one of the moves of the War Department to speed up the enlarged war program and overcome delays resulting from interference with draft calls by influenza.

If the peace talk has had any effect at the War Department, it apparently has spurred everybody to further exertions to swell the number of troops going to France.

The October draft calls, held up because of the influenza epidemic, are beginning to go out again and nothing will be permitted to interfere with the movement of soldiers overseas at the rate of 250,000 monthly.

Daily Rioting Is One of Germany's Troubles

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HAYS CALLS FOR REBUKE OF WILSON

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great party and to your own self-respect to meet that challenge squarely, not only as Republicans, but as Americans. I, as your chairman, call upon you to do it.

Gives Republicans No Credit

"Mr. Wilson accords the Republicans no credit whatever for having supported the 'war measures' proposed by his administration, although they have done so with greater unanimity than the members of his own party. Despite that fact, he accuses them of having tried to usurp his proper functions. That charge, as Mr. Taft declares in carefully measured words, is not true.

"At no time and in no way have they tried to take control of the war out of his hands. The President knows that. The country knows it. You know it."

"A more ungracious, more unjust, more wanton, more mendacious accusation was never made by the most reckless stump orator, much less by a president of the United States for partisan purposes.

"It is an insult, not only to every loyal Republican in Congress, but to every loyal Republican in the land. It fully merits the resentment which rightfully and surely will find expression at the polls.

Why Wilson Is Partisan

"Mr. Wilson grudgingly admits that the Republicans have been 'pro-war.' Then why does he demand their defeat? Because they are still pro-war? Hardly that. No. It is because they are for peace through, not without, victory, because they do not believe lasting peace can be obtained through negotiations; because they consider that 'U. S.' stands for unconditional surrender as well as for the United States and Uncle Sam. The Democratic Congress does not. There is the issue as clean as the noonday sun. The country will decide.

"Mr. Wilson wants only rubber stamps, his rubber stamps, in Congress. Mr. Wilson says he has 'no thought of suggesting that any political party is paramount in matters of patriotism,' but he does suggest it, and he suggests further that he alone is paramount in intelligence."

Continuing, Mr. Hays declared one of the President's purposes is to secure power to settle the war "precisely as he and his sole unelected, unappointed, unconfirmed personal adviser may determine." Another purpose he attributes to the President is commitment to free trade with the world, "thus giving to Germany out of hand the fruits of a victory greater than she could win by fighting a hundred years."

"A Republican Congress, says Mr. Hays, "will never assent to that. Do you want a Congress that will? Germany does. Germany looks to Mr. Wilson to get it for her, as he pledged himself to do in one of few of his famous articles which is explicable. Germany understands that.

"See the New York World, spokesman of the administration, of last Saturday and read the testimony of Henry C. Emery, former head of the tariff commission, just returned from seven months in Germany. 'The German people,' he says, 'seemed to realize that in President Wilson lay their only salvation. They have turned to him in the belief that he is the one great political leader who can be trusted to make a permanent peace, which shall permit equal economic development.'

Plea That Is Absurd

'What worse than nonsense, then, is the Democratic campaign cry that the election of a Republican Congress, pledged to unconditional surrender and protection of American industries and American workingmen, instead of a Democratic Congress, ready to assent to a negotiated peace and free trade, 'would bear cheer to Germany. Such claims would be ludicrous if they were not so seriously unpatriotic.

"Mr. Wilson calls upon the Republicans of the country to repudiate their representatives in Congress, who have proved true and loyal patriots. Are you going to do it? Answer with your votes!

"Mr. Wilson forces the Republican party to lie down or fight. I say fight! Answer with your votes!

"Mr. Wilson is for unconditional surrender; yes, for the unconditional surrender to himself of the Republican party of the country, of the Allies—all to him, as the sole arbiter and master of the destinies of the world. Do you stand for that? Answer with your votes!

"'The war is a Democratic asset,' shouted Vice-President Marshal. And they have made every effort to make it so, despite the earnest Republican insistence that we have no contest as to anything that touches the war, except that contest as to who best can serve, who most can give.

"This is a call to all loyal Republicans, proud in their patriotism, to stand by their country and their candidates, and to let the world know that America spurns autocracy no less at home than abroad, and will uphold her Allies in whatever reparation they may exact for the frightful outrages inflicted upon them by the accursed Huns.

"We are fighting in France to make certain forever that men may have the right to govern themselves. Here, where we have that right, we shall exercise it now and always.

"America was created for that very privilege.

"America will not be denied it now.

"America will answer with her vote."

Where Can I Find Relief From Itching, Terrifying Eczema?

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Most authorities now agree that what we call Spanish Influenza is simply the old-fashioned grip, which was epidemic here in 1889-90. The influenza germs enter through the nose and mouth and attack the lining of the air passages — nose, throat and bronchial tubes.

There is no cure or specific for this disease, but Nature will throw off the attack, if only you conserve your strength. A competent physician should always be called. The use of VapoRub does not interfere with any internal treatment and it is now being used by broadminded physicians everywhere, in order to stimulate the lining of the air passages to throw off the grip germs, to aid in loosening the phlegm and keeping the air passages open, thus making the breathing easier. Hot, wet towels should be applied over the throat, chest and back between the shoulder blades to open the pores. Then VapoRub should be rubbed in over the parts until the skin is red, spread on thickly and covered with two thicknesses of hot flannel cloths. Leave the clothing loose around the neck, as the heat of the body liberates the ingredients in the form of vapors. These vapors, inhaled with each breath, carry the medication directly to the parts affected. At the same time, VapoRub is absorbed through and stimulates the skin, attracting the blood to the surface, and thus aids in relieving the congestion within.

HOW TO AVOID THE DISEASE

Evidence seems to prove that Spanish influenza is a germ disease, spread principally by human contact, chiefly through coughing, sneezing or spitting. So avoid persons having colds—which means avoiding crowds—common drinking cups, roller towels, etc. Keep up your bodily strength by plenty of exercise in the open air, and good food.

KEEP FREE FROM COLDS

Above all, avoid colds, as colds irritate the lining of the air passages and render them much better breeding places for the germs.

Use Vick's VapoRub at the very first sign of a cold. For a head cold melt a little VapoRub in a spoon and inhale the vapors, or better still, use VapoRub in a benzoin steam kettle. If this is not available, use an ordinary tea kettle. Fill half-full of boiling water, put in a half teaspoon of VapoRub from time to time—keep the kettle just slowly boiling and inhale the steam arising.

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