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MELISSA WOULD LIKE TO BE CANDID HERSELF.

"You seem thoughtful this evening, Melissa," remarked Mrs. Merriwid's maternal maiden aunt Jane, looking at her niece over the rims of the spectacles that she wore in the privacy of family life.

Mrs. Merriwid stopped frowning at a far corner of the room and laughed. "I get that way about every so often, dearie," she replied. "Sometimes, oftener still. Just now I was thinking of Mr. Pikestaff. He's been making his intentions quite plain and I was trying to frame up a few well-chosen words for use when needed."

"To what effect?" inquired Aunt Jane, with interest.

"I really can't say what the effect will be," said Mrs. Merriwid. "I hope it won't shatter the windows, but Mr. Pikestaff has a theory that language was given us to express our feelings, and they tell me that some of his candid opinions are calculated to precipitate a heavy rainfall. He's a man of decided views."

"He impresses me as being very genuine," Aunt Jane observed.

"As genuine as mud pie," agreed Mrs. Merriwid. "A downright, outspoken, homespun, frank rhestone in the rough. There are no frills about Mr. Pikestaff. Nothing namby-pamby or wispy-washy. He believes in giving things their proper names—with a few qualifying adjectives thrown in. If he doesn't agree with you, he'll take the liberty of telling you so, and if you don't like it, you can do the other thing."

"I can't help thinking that sincerity is an admirable quality," Aunt Jane remarked.

"Not in a husband at least, dearie," said Mrs. Merriwid. "What married



"I'm a Plain Man, Mrs. Merriwid."

life calls for its diplomacy, and diplomacy with its coat on at that. When a man gets to speaking his mind to his wife, he generally winds up by believing it, and then there's all kinds of trouble. Poor dear Henry Merriwid got to be perfectly sincere with me at one period of our happy life together. I remember one time I asked him what he thought of a new dress I had just put on.

"My dear," said poor Henry, "I won't attempt to deceive you. I think it's the sloppiest looking thing, the most unbecoming, botchy, skewegged waste of material I ever saw in my life. The color makes me sick, and the trimming gives me a pain in the back of the neck. It looks as if it had been designed by a cross-eyed house painter, suffering from delirium tremens, and put together by a sail-maker's apprentice with a sore thumb. What is it—a masquerade costume?"

"What did you say?" inquired Aunt Jane.

"I said I was very sorry he didn't seem to like it because it was going to lower his bank account seventy-five dollars," replied Mrs. Merriwid. "It was the most devilishly cruel thing I could think of at the moment. But I cured poor Henry of plain speaking before it got to be very much of a habit with him."

"No," Mrs. Merriwid resumed, "I think most of your fine, rugged, bluff, straightforward men, with no shilly-shallying nonsense about them, need a plain, hearty, straightforward kicking. The trouble with them generally is that they're too big. It takes a big man to tell people the unvarnished, unswetened truth about themselves, and get away with it. A fine, full-bodied man like Mr. Pikestaff, for example, with a collection of good, honest Anglo-Saxon language.

"I suppose there are moments in every married woman's life when she realizes that her husband's behavior is foolish," Mrs. Merriwid went on

tells me any different, I'll tell him that he's a liar. I don't smooth it over. I'm not mealy mouthed like some folks. I mean that he's a liar and I say that he's a liar, and that's all there is about it."

"That does seem complimentary," said Aunt Jane. "But what do you think you'll say to him when he actually proposes?"

"I was considering that when you disregarded the signals and collided with my train of thought," Mrs. Merriwid answered. "I shall say, 'Mr. Pikestaff, I'm a plain, blunt woman and I'm not going to be mealy mouthed or finicking with you. I think that you're a big, whopper-jawed, pig-headed, sty-bred aggregation of noisy bluff and bunk, and I wouldn't marry you if you were eighteen-carat gold plated and the last chance I had on earth.'"

"Oh, you wouldn't say that, my dear," remonstrated Aunt Jane.

Mrs. Merriwid sighed. "No," she admitted, "I don't suppose I would. I expect I shall tell him that I deeply appreciate the high honor that he has paid me, but I feel that I am unworthy of it and cannot consent to the sacrifice that I know he would be making if he married me, and trusting to retain his friendship and esteem, I remain—and it won't be necessary for him to remain."

"But the other is what I'd love to say," added Mrs. Merriwid, viciously. (Copyright, 1912, by W. G. Chapman.)

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District Judge—John Dale, Vidalia.
District Attorney—Abner E. Green, St. Joseph.

Terms of Court—The terms of the District Court in the parish of Tensas are hereby fixed as follows, to-wit:

Jury Terms—Third Mondays in April and October.

Civil Terms—Third Mondays in January, February, March, May, June, July, November and December.

Town of St. Joseph.

Mayor—W. M. Davidson.
Clerk—Abner E. Green.
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Aldermen—Joseph Curry, B. F. Young, Louis Buckley Jr., Oscar Levy, E. J. Walton.
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Rev. F. H. Fontaine, pastor M. E. church, holds services at Wesley chapel on morning and afternoon of first Sunday, and at the Union church, St. Joseph, on the night of the first Sunday and morning and night of the third Sunday.
Rev. Father Degnan of Vidalia says mass at the Catholic chapel, St. Joseph, once a month, following announcement.

Synopsis of Game Laws—Open Season.

1. Doves—From September 1 to March 1.
 2. Wood or Summer Ducks—September 1 to March 1.
 3. Teal Ducks—September 15 to April 1.
 4. River Ducks—October 1 to March 15.
 5. Coots or Poule D'eau—October 1 to March 15.
 6. Geese or Brant—October 1 to March 15.
 7. Snipe—September 15 to April 1.
 8. Turkey (cocks only)—November 1 to April 15.
 9. Quail—November 15 to March 15.
 10. Robins—November 15 to March 15.
 11. Deer (bucks only)—October 1 to January 1.
- Limit of Bags in a Day:
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