

# WOMEN'S INTERESTS

## THE STRUGGLES OF A WIFE

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**CHAPTER XVII.**  
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Myra Webb's hands trembled as she saw her name on the envelope she held. A sensation of expectation seized her. She told herself that she was silly to be thus moved. She went into the livingroom, and, standing by the window, read over and over the few brief lines contained in the letter.

"Dear madam," it ran, "We are more than usually interested in your story—'Bitter Waters'—which you have submitted to us, and would like to talk with you about it. Can you make it convenient to call and see the writer very soon?"

The communication was signed: "Perry Martin, Editor."

"More than usually interested." The woman repeated the words until they ceased to hold any meaning for her. This magazine was well known and popular—yet the editor wanted to talk to her about her story in which he was "more than usually interested." That was an odd phrase for him to use. Just how much did it imply?

She found herself breathing rapidly, as if she had been running. She must try to be calm. Perhaps, after all, Perry Martin only wanted to suggest that she write some other story for him—perhaps he meant that while he was interested in her effort he did not like it enough to accept it, but wanted her to try her hand on something else. Of course, that was it.

She could not bear this uncertainty. She must go and see this man at once. Would it be all right to go to-day, or would that seem like over-eagerness? Perhaps. But she was sure that she could not rest until she had learned the truth. A happy idea came to her. She would telephone Mr. Martin.

When she had asked for the Imperial Magazine office, a woman's voice informed her that Mr. Martin was out at luncheon just now. He would be in at 2:30. Who was speaking?

She dresses carefully.

"Never mind," she telephoned later. Myra replied hastily, hanging up the receiver.

Going to her room she began to dress carefully. She remembered, as before, Grace's counsel that she look her best when calling on an editor. She was glad her last year's furs were still in excellent condition. Handsome furs like hers always made one seem richly dressed.

She waited until ten minutes past the half hour before calling up Mr. Martin. Nervous and tremulous as she was, she was calm and cool when she gave him her name.

"I have just received your letter," she said, "and, as I am going downtown this afternoon, I can stop at your office, if you wish to see me, or notice that you ask me to come soon."

"Yes, I do want you to come soon," Mr. Martin replied. "I can see you at 4:30 if that hour suits you."

"Perfectly," she agreed.

There were almost two hours to be passed before she could appear at the Imperial Magazine office in Fourth avenue—and the subway would take her there in twenty minutes. What could she do meanwhile? She could not possibly settle down to her work. Then she remembered that dinner had not been ordered, and that she might have to prepare it.

Going softly to Lizzie's door, she looked in. The maid greeted her with a smile that betokened the return of health and common sense.

"How are you now?" Myra asked.

"Oh, I'm lots better, ma'am," Lizzie said. "That tea made me nearly all well. I see you're dressed for going out. Go on, ma'am, for I'll be getting up soon. Tell me what's to be for dinner, and I'll try to cook it. Only please let it be something simple. I'm thinkin' maybe it was the hard work I done yesterday that made me sick."

"There was the ironin', you know, and then the company dinner, and the waitin' on the table for them four courses—not mentionin' the passin' the coffee in the livingroom afterwar—and then washin' all them dishes. I was fair wore out by the time it was all done."

Myra is Annoyed.

"You probably ate too much of the rich desert," the mistress remarked practically. "But there is nothing at all difficult to be prepared for tonight. We will have what is left of the cold lamb from last night's roast; you can mash some potatoes and open a can of string beans. I will bring some dessert home with me."

"Then you'll have no soup?" was the hopeful question.

"No," Myra replied, briefly, "no soup."

"I'm glad you're not gettin' the soup habit like some folks have it," the girl declared. "If you only have it when there's company, I don't mind doin' a soppin' of course, that you don't have company often. But soup every night makes it very hard for the girl, when there's only one of 'em kept—and she having to do the cookin'—waitin' and everything else."

Myra forced back the sharp retort that she longed to utter. So much for living as poor people must live! The first time that the Webbs had such a dinner as they always used to have, their servant raised objections and spoke as if she were overworked.

Poverty was hard for people who had always been poor—but how much worse for those who—like themselves—were accustomed to living in luxury.

But these thoughts left her as she donned her hat and wraps for the street. She was glad to see in her mirror that the excitement had brought the color to her face, and that she looked younger than usual.

While her looks made no difference, of course, she would hate to appear like an old, worn-out woman to this man who was "more than usually interested" in her story.

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## TIME TABLE Cumberland Valley Railroad

In Effect June 27, 1916. TRAINS leave Harrisburg at 8:02, 7:52 a. m., 3:40 p. m. For Hagerstown, Chambersburg, Carlisle, Mechanicsburg, and intermediate stations at 5:02, 7:52, 11:53 a. m., 3:40, 5:37, 7:45, 11:00 p. m. Additional trains for Carlisle and Mechanicsburg at 9:48 a. m., 2:16, 8:26, 8:30, 9:35 p. m. For Dillsburg at 5:03, 7:52 and 11:53 a. m., 2:16, 3:40, 5:37 and 8:30 p. m. All other trains daily except Sunday. J. H. TONGE, H. A. RIDDLER, G. P. A.

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## Finds That Scandal Travels 1,000 Yards a Second; Truth 2 1-2 Yards in Same Time

Madison, Wis., April 14. — Scandal travels 1,000 yards per second, according to Prof. Benjamin Snow, head of the University of Wisconsin's physics department. Professor Shaw bases his calculations on observation made around the university. Flattery has the second greatest speed, according to the professor, traveling from 400 to 500 yards in the same time. Truth, however, he declared, was slowest of all, moving only about two and one-half yards per second.

## One Big Bed of Coal Is Found by Rivermen

One big bed of river coal has been found by employees of the Harrisburg Light and Power Company. It was announced this morning, but the other deposits this year are below the usual standards, despite the high water which in former years brought down rich deposits from the mines. All of the barges of the company, three pumps and three steamboats are now at work bringing the coal down stream from points above the city.

## CIVIL SERVICE COMMISSION

The United States Civil Service Commission announces the following examinations to be held in this city on the dates named: May 16, Assistant pathologist in citrus fruit investigations (male); assistant petroleum chemist (male); cartographer (male); expert in scientific and practical agriculture (male). May 17, Clerk to commercial attaché, clerk qualified in modern languages; assistant in the office of information (male); Market Station

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## Farmer's Wife Commits Suicide by Hanging

Mechanicsburg, Pa., April 14. — Mrs. George Crumlich of Winding Hill, about two miles south of Mechanicsburg, committed suicide yesterday by hanging. No reason is given for the act except despondency caused by a nervous condition. She was found hanging from a rafter in the attic by her son at noon, after he and his father, a farmer, returned home from a business trip. Not finding his mother, he commenced to search the house, thinking she might be ill, when the son went to the attic and found her dead. She was aged 55 years and was a member of the United Brethren church at Shepherdstown. Her husband and one son, Jacob, at home, survive. Also the following

## Bosler Home at Carlisle Robbed During Winter

Carlisle, Pa., April 14. — When friends yesterday went to the residence of Joseph Bosler, Jr., located in the center of the town, in West High street, to open it for the family who have been spending the winter at Denver, Colo., and will return this week, they found that the place had been ransacked by burglars and a number of articles taken. The robbery was performed by men who knew the place, it is believed, as time had been taken in going through the house, a rear door being forced and every room entered and examined and closets, drawers and chests being forced open with a pickax. Clothing and household furnishings were taken, the valuables having been stored during the absence of the family.

## MONEY FOR NEW DORMITORY

Carlisle, Pa., April 14. — At a meeting of the committee of the Carlisle Classic of the Reformed church with members of the church and persons interested, it was decided to raise the sum of \$1,500 by personal subscription to be used in furthering the erection of a new dormitory building at the Theological Seminary at Lancaster. The committee from this district consists of J. H. Millhelsen, Mechanicsburg, the Rev. E. L. Coblenz and J. W. Wetzel of Carlisle.

## KILLED IN BATTLE

Carlisle, Pa., April 14. — News was received here to-day of the death while fighting for his country of James Parrabell, 22, an Italian, who has a number of relatives in Carlisle. He was with a headquarters staff and had been promoted for gallantry just before his death. He visited here some time ago. A brother, uncle and two cousins, all residing in Carlisle survive.

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