Reading for Women and all the Family

THE PLOTTERS

A New Serial of East and West

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CHAPTER XXI.

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She was in a fearfully false position, Elizabeth Wade mused as she sat in the dark, listening to the murmur of the voices of Amos Chapin and his son.

Suddenly a sentence, spoken more loudly than those that precede it, reach her ear, and she leaned forward eagerly. Clifford was talking.

"The farm certainly is doing better for his being here," he was saying. "If you want to buy it, as you insist, it will be worth more to you than it was before he came."

"Yes, and Wade will want more for it if he sees that," the older man grumbled. "I told you about that stranger that came up from New York this spring to see the country around here."

"You mentioned that a man had been looking for a building site for a summer home," Clifford replied.

"Well, what he set his heart on was the bit of meadowland down near the lake—that piece that rises about the others."

"The knoll? Yes, I know. It's a dandy place for a house."

"So he thinks. And he's willing to pay a big price for it. I told him I held it very high. He's chock full of money. I said I'd not think of selling it yet, but that I might consider talking the matter over with him in the fall."

"But it's Wade's property," Clifford reminded him. "What good does that do you?"

"If I can buy the farm before this New Yorker comes again, I can ask him most any price I like."

"But how can you buy the farm? Have you the money?"

"I have some. The rest I must borrow. You might help me get it, Clif. You know lots of business men out in Chicago."

"What about security?" the question was put doubtfully.

"Can't you see that if I can get this farm from Wade, then sell that meadow land for a whopping big sum to the New York chap, I can pay back right away every cent of the money I borrow?"

Some Schemer

Clifford Chapin broke into a chuckle of amusement and admiration.

"High finance!" he exclaimed. "You're some schemer, Pa!"

"This property's goin' to be valuable sometime — when they run the railroad nearer than Midland," the farmer predicted. "That may not be for a while yet — but it's sure to come. I might just as well get the good of the boom as anybody else. I'm the one that's worked this land, and stuck by it through all these years. Darned little has Wade done for it. I thought when this Butler came that Wade might have struck money. But it's plain he hasn't, for this fellow's not getting a mite of salary. I guess the young doctor's not doing very well out West. Now is the time for me to buy—while he needs cash."

"What about his sister?" Is she working?" Clifford queried.

"She's not through college yet," Amos evaded. "So she's costing her brother something, and is an expense to him, I guess," Amos replied.

"I say," the son started to ask a question, then evidently thought better of it. Instead, he yawned. "I'm going to bed, Pa. We'll talk this over — you and me — before I go back to Chicago. There's time enough before then."

Elizabeth sat motionless after the men had gone into the house, and she had heard the doors of their respective bedrooms close behind them.

So this was the scheme! She understood it all now. She saw plainly what Amos Chapin was about, and her blood boiled with indignation.

Yet was it not natural that a man of his type should look out for himself?

The farm — the old home that she and Douglas loved — Amos Chapin wished to buy. If Douglas was as poor as he had been for the past year, he might have to sell the old place to enable him and his sister to live. Unless he was successful, and he had not been successful this spring, he could not afford to hold the property.

What could she, his sister, do in this crisis?

Her Way to Help

The only way in which she could help Douglas would be to carry out his scheme with regard to John Butler, so that the young man's cure would bring the physician other patients. Yet to wait for these might mean the loss of the farm.

But it must not! The girl set her teeth grimly. Surely the invalid was improving with a rapidity that must surprise and delight his mother and advertise his success to all his acquaintances.

Suppose that Douglas was really in love with Alice Butler! She was a rich girl. If he married her——

Elizabeth Wade shook her head impatiently. She knew her brother too well to fancy that he would marry any women, no matter what her wealth unless he himself were making sufficient money to support both her and himself.

Then unless he succeeded in his profession Douglas could not have the happiness of a wife and a home of his own for many years to come.

He must succeed. The sister closed her eyes and pictured the future as she wished it might be. Butler would return to Riverhill completely and enthusiastic in his praises of the young physician whose regime had wrought his cure. His mother would be elated. She would tell of Dr. Wade's skill. The successful physician would immediately become more successful. His popularity would increase. Wealthy patients would flock to him and money would flow into his pockets. He would marry Alice Butler — if he loved her.

And what about his sister? Elizabeth Wade opened her eyes with a start. She decided that she was too tired to-night to dwell on her own future. She would go to bed and to sleep and indulge no more just now in waking dreams.

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Bringing Up Father

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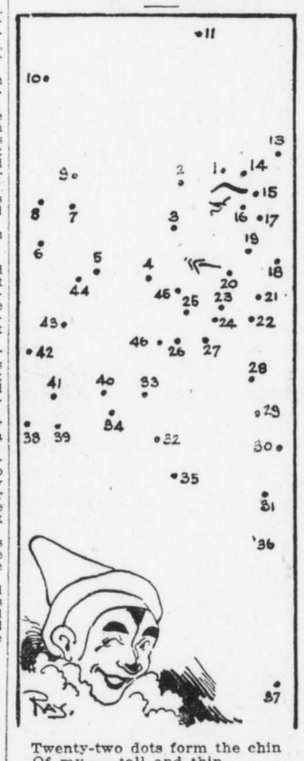

Twenty-two dots form the chin
Of my——tall and thin.
Draw from one to two and so on
to the end.

Four Big States Hit Hard in Revenue Bill

Washington, Aug. 5.—The four large industrial states, Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts and Illinois, will have to pay three-fourths of the taxes levied in the new $8,000,000,000 war-revenue bill, according to Representative J. Hampton Moore, of Philadelphia.

"And we haven't enough votes to stop it," he remarked to-day.

"The way the new revenue bill is being written," said Representative Moore, "the four large industrial states in the country, Pennsylvania, New York, Massachusetts and Illinois, must pay three-fourths of the $8,000,000,000 in taxes that will be collected next year.

"These four large states are paying about that same proportion under the present law, but we hoped that in writing the new bill the Ways and Means Committee would reach out and find new sources of revenue for the billions of dollars of increased revenue that we need.

"The new bill is being written, however, with taxes on industries as its basis, and the four large industrial states have not enough votes on the Ways and Means Committee to stop it."

NATIONAL WAR GARDEN COMMISSION

Small outdoor drier, easily made at home. It has glass top, sloping for best exposure to sun. The tray is shown partly projecting, to indicate construction. Protect openings around tray with cheesecloth to exclude insects and dust. This is another suggestion in the free drying book the National War Garden Commission at Washington will send any reader of this paper for a two-cent stamp to pay postage.

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.

No. 2 "Shall I Give Reasons to My Child?"

THE typical question, "Do you believe in giving reasons?" is answered of course, in the affirmative. You must discriminate, however, as to the proper time and circumstances for the giving of reasons. Reasoning with your child, considered from the standpoint of mental development, when discipline is not involved, is always to be encouraged, yet many children are badly spoiled by parents who are forever giving reasons.

"Is it natural for my little boy," asks one mother, "to want to know my reason for commands? And will giving him reasons encourage the 'Why' habit?"

There is a big difference between giving a reason while an act of obedience is pending and giving the reason some time after the act of obedience, the latter being preferable as a regular policy. If you care to state a reason before the act, you should state it before issuing your command. For example, suggest in a confidential way that you are having a little trouble in hearing the Victrola and follow it up with a simple command to play more quietly. Do not introduce the latter by "so" or "therefore" or "because." In other words, do not let the child know that you are giving a reason.

"How would you cope with this situation?" asked another mother. "A child has disobeyed and you ask why he did what you had forbidden and he answers, 'Because I wanted to.' "

"Because I wanted to," is a very natural and truthful answer to your question. The thing for you to do in the future is to avoid a similar question. To ask a young child why he disobeyed suggests that you are finding fault with him, and in most cases, the child will give a curt answer.

Another reason why it is advisible to avoid trying to get a child to explain his past action is that it suggests you do not understand him. It is very important from the standpoint of results to assume that you understand a child perfectly. Experience has taught that this assumption is the practical one.

When your child does wrong, show that you realize how easy it was for him—it really was natural or he would not hove done it—but suggests in a friendly though firm way what you will expect in the future.

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Germans See Hope in American Army

With the American Army on the Aisne-Marne Front, Aug. 5.—German soldiers generally welcome the news that more American soldiers are arriving in France, believing that the faster the Americans arrive the sooner there will be a decisive battle or a definite peace move, according to a sergeant of the Fourth Prussian Guards division, who was captured by the Americans near Sergy.

The prisoner told the correspondent that the German soldiers were sick of the war, and also that the poorer classes in Germany had had sufficient war, and they believe now that Germany is bound to lose. The capitalists, however, insist on continuing the war at all costs.

"German officers," the prisoner said, "informed us months ago that the Americans were taking few prisoners and that those taken were treated inhumanly. They kept warning us constantly that death was preferable to being captured by the Americans, but not all the German soldiers believed that, despite the high regard in which officers are supposed to be held.

"Among the German soldiers it was common talk that if any one of them had a good chance to be taken prisoner in the hands of the Americans, he would do so, providing he was reasonably certain that he could pretend he was not altogether to blame. So generally among the Germans who have been in the war four years, as I have been, many are eagerly watching for an opportunity to be captured."

Advice to the Lovelorn

BY BEATRICE FAIRFAX

DON'T SHIRK

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

I have known a young man about two years, who used to call on me quite often, until one day he proposed to me, but I could not accept, as I was not in love with him. I have explained to him that we could be no more than friends, and have advised him not to call on me any more and to forget about me. He stopped for a while, but about a month ago told me that he cannot live without me, and insisted on calling at my home, although on several occasions I was out, as I did not care to meet him.

It turned out to be a very serious matter, as he still keeps on calling up almost every day, comes to the house without invitations and insists on seeing me. As he is a very fine young man, I simply cannot hurt his feelings, although I am afraid I will have to. I am afraid of the consequences, if I tell him plainly that he cannot call and see me any more.

I have just found out that he is about to take a room in the same house where we were stopping for the summer, and I have spent sleepless nights ever since that time.

INTERESTED READER.

Don't shirk your plain duty which is to be honest with the man who loves you—as you say—"in vain." Possibly your very anxiety about his feelings, means that you really care for him. Search your own heart. If you are convinced that you want to get rid of him I assure you you will be able to do so. The point is that you are uncertain and he feels it.

DON'T SPARE YOUR FEELINGS

DEAR MISS FAIRFAX:

I have known a girl for years. She nursed me when I was ill, looked out for my welfare in every way. But she could hardly ever give me any time for pleasure, as she worked nights and I worked by day. So I saw her only once a week. One day while at a friend's house I met another girl I had known about six years. I took her home that evening and asked her if I could see her some evening, as I was lonesome and she was lonesome, too. Our meetings continued for one year, and the other girl found out and was upset about it and told me I had broken her heart. Well, I made an honest confession of it all, and she was willing to forgive and take me back, and she was patient and kind as ever. But, Miss Fairfax, I haven't given up number two. I haven't the heart to hurt her!

WAITING.

The person you are considering is yourself. If you were just a little braver you would proceed at once to the small hurt which would save everybody concerned from the possible graver hurts to come later. You can't go on like this without causing acute suffering. What you are doing is breaking faith with both women. You must make sure of yourself and of your love for the first girl and then tell the second girl just how you have drifted into the situation so unfair to her.

What Is Rheumatism? Why Suffer From It?

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On the other hand we felt as though our customers' interests also deserved our best consideration along these same lines, thereby helping them to aid the Government by a proper conservation of their own resources in a saving on their purchases. We did not want to disappoint them. Taking everything into serious consideration we finally decided that it was only proper and right that our August Sale should be held as in former years.

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