



# Reading for Women and for all the Family



## THE HEART BREAKER

A REAL AMERICAN LOVE STORY  
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CHAPTER VI.  
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"You are not going out to church with us, my dear?" Mrs. Higgins asked the question of Mildred at supper on Sunday night.

"No," the girl shook her head decidedly. "I went to church this morning; moreover, I have an engagement for this evening. Arthur Bruce is coming in."  
"Mrs. Higgins looked surprised. "Honora, child," she asked, "don't you want to stay at home too?"  
"No," Honora assured her. "I want especially to go with you to-night."  
"There will be no chaperon for Milly if I go," Mrs. Higgins began, but Mildred broke in with a sharpness that was unusual with her. "Oh, please don't let us bring up that absurd matter again!" she exclaimed. "Katie will be here if I want anything, and if I am not safe in our own living-room with an engaged friend like Arthur, then I will never be safe anywhere with anybody. Am I not right, Honora?"

"Yes, Honora," she said, "I do think you are right. Anyway, we will be back here by half past nine, Mrs. Higgins."  
"Yes, that's so," the matron admitted at last convinced.  
"Her husband died when she was so young that she is just like an old maid," Mildred grumbled to her sister after supper. "She makes me tired."

"Hush dear!" Honora warned. "She feels the responsibility of us girls that's all. She is as dear and good as can be."  
"Yes, I suppose she is," Mildred acknowledged. "By the way, I telephoned Arthur that you and she were going out. So he knows he will find me alone, as he requested. I wonder what he wants."

There was an eager curiosity in her eyes that her sister noted with a slight recoil. Such a look was not exactly maidenly, she reflected. Then she laughed as an idea occurred to her.  
"What are you laughing at?" Mildred demanded.  
"I just happened to think that I am getting somewhat like Mrs. Higgins myself," Honora said smilingly. "For pity's sake don't!" Mildred exclaimed, kissing her. "You are nice just as you are."

**Bruce Finds Her**  
When she had waved good-by to her sister and companion, she went into the living-room and turned on the light in the lamp with the most becoming shade, then seated herself comfortably in a great chair to wait. Ten minutes later Arthur Bruce found her here. There were seldom any awkward pauses in a conversation with Mildred Brent, and she began at once to talk of Honora's goodness in taking Mrs. Higgins to church, of the beauty of the drive

## Bringing Up Father



was being played with. Men seldom do know it—at first.  
"I am not mistaken," he declared. "I know I love you, Mildred. Is there not the least chance for me? I will wait as long as you like. Only tell me there is some hope."  
The smile she bestowed upon him might have seemed to him like a smile of affection. It was really a smile of satisfaction.  
For she had succeeded in making him tell her twice that he loved her.  
To Be Continued.

## Dr. Becht Urges an Advance For Teachers

The movement to have the Legislature make an "emergency" appropriation to enable the school districts of Pennsylvania to increase the salaries of teachers is well under way in every section of the state and it is being strongly supported, said Dr. J. George Becht, secretary of the State Board of Education, today. In the last week Dr. Becht has been in touch with educators and men interested in the maintenance of the standard of education in this state and has been actively planning for the presentation of the measure.

"We drafted the necessary legislation for an appropriation to afford a twenty-five per cent. increase for the teachers some time ago," continued Dr. Becht. "This will take something like \$15,000,000, but it is generally conceded that it is just. There are teachers getting only \$600 and they have remained at their posts when they could have easily earned more money in other lines. The devotion and sacrifice of the teachers should be recognized."  
Dr. Becht said that the State Board of Education and legislative committee of the State Educational Association had approved the proposed bill and that at the conference of educators from Southeastern Pennsylvania held here on Saturday steps were taken to organize support for the measure in that county. Similar moves will be taken in other districts. Dr. J. P. Garber, of Philadelphia, was one of the speakers at the conference and presented the situation in Philadelphia. Superintendent J. E. Downes, of this city, who called the conference, presided.

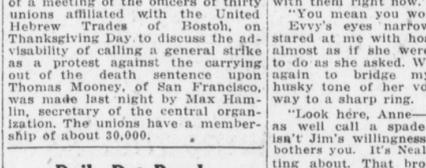
## Internal Machine Found in Brussels Palace

Paris, Nov. 25.—The Germans had laid plans to blow up the Palace of Justice in Brussels, according to a dispatch to the Solr, from Brussels. In the cellar of the palace four internal machines, placed there by the Germans, have been found close to some gunpowder and ammunition.

## THREATEN STRIKE By Associated Press

Boston, Nov. 25.—Announcement of a meeting of the officers of thirty unions affiliated with the United Brotherhood of Carpenters and Joiners of America, on Thanksgiving Day to discuss the advisability of calling a general strike as a protest against the carrying out of the death sentence upon Thomas Mooney, of San Francisco, was made last night by Max Hamlin, secretary of the central organization. The unions have a membership of about 30,000.

## Daily Dot Puzzle



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