



Reading for Women and all the Family



"When a Girl Marries"

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A New, Romantic Serial Dealing With the Absorbing Problem of a Girl Wife

CHAPTER (CCXXII).
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Up the path, and away from the summer house, Jim and I scampered in silence. When we reached the side porch of the old homestead we wheeled abruptly, seized each other's hands and solemnly did a dance of triumph. We didn't stop till we were out of breath. Then we stared at each other with shining eyes.

"Isn't it wonderful?" I whispered at last. "When I saw Jeanie stand up and fling back her arms and heard her calling Pat, I thought I'd just die of happiness. Jimmie, Jimmie-boy, it's all come right."

"I know, dearest," said Jim, pulling me down on the porch steps and drawing me close. "It's come right. And, by gingo, I think it's because you worked and prayed so hard for it. 'Weren't we a couple of boobas' though? To duck the show just when they threw the close-up on the screen."

"Jim!" I began almost horrified, and then the truth struck home to me. "I was dying to—peck, too. That's why I ran so fast. If I'd stayed another minute, I'd be there yet."

"Yep! That clinch had more heart interest than the best drama at three-thirty a ticket with war tax and agent's fees," said Jim. "And it happened so smooth and easy. 'Wonder if it would be all right to go down and offer congratulations?' 'We mustn't!' I gasped, clutching his coat in fear lest he spoil things by rushing in too soon."

"You bet you mustn't!" broke in Neal's voice from the porch above us. "If the host and hostess move all over the grounds like this, what do they expect of the company? Well, here's our Phoebekins. Now you've got her, what do you want of her?" And what did you do with Pat?"

"Tell 'em Lilac Lady," said Jim. "It's your right!"

"Pat is down in the summer house—with Virginia," I began without prattle and concluded in a gasp as there was a whirl of skirts and Phoebe dashed headlong where we had feared to tread.

Sheepishly, like three naughty children, Neal and Jim and I followed after and tiptoed down the path to find Jeanie and Jimmie in each other's arms laughing and crying, while Pat stood by offering both of them soothing love-taps and looking as out of place as the groom at a wedding.

I kissed Pat and Jeanie hugged Neal, and Phoebe perched on Jim's knee demanding that she be maid of honor at the wedding.

"There won't be any wedding," said Pat.

Virginia nodded, and my heart thudded down an inch or two.

"There won't be any wedding!" cried Phoebe, bounding to her feet. "But there just will. If you children haven't finished making up, we'll withdraw and let you."

"You might withdraw—and withdraw the bunch you've got down here by evening," said Pat quietly. "We'd like the place to ourselves, Jeanie and I, if you don't think it's unbecomable of us to dispense with company and chaperonage."

Jimmie, shing-eyed, blushing and amazingly sweet and acquiescent, nodded again and seemed content to let Pat run things. But not so Phoebe.

"You'd like the place to yourselves? Are you mad, Pat Dalton?" she demanded.

"Yes," little Phoebe, replied Pat. "Mad with joy to think Virginia is still my wife in heart as well as in name. Mad to have my second honeymoon. Mad to have Phoebe subside, burying her face on Jim's shoulder and half-

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Smith Is Surprised

Again he was surprised. As she seated herself, he took an upright chair near her.

"You wanted to speak to me about a matter of business, I think—at least that is what I inferred from your letter."

He hesitated. Her self-possession calmed him, yet he did not want to make a false step.

He could not know what agitation her placid exterior hid. As she gazed at him sitting there in her drawing-room her heart was beating madly. She had always thought him good looking. To-night he seemed handsomer than any other man she had ever seen. She longed to beg him to tell her about himself—to speak to her as if he were her friend—as if—

"Hardly business—in one way," he amended, and she listened eagerly. "I wrote that it was a matter of some importance to me. I can hardly hope it will be of any particular moment to you. It is about someone in whom I happen to be interested."

This was not the chauffeur speak-

ing. It was a person who understood the English language and who was at his ease in Samuel Leighton's drawing-room. His errand might make him nervous, his surroundings did not.

Desiree smiled politely. "A friend of yours?" she asked.

She was disappointed. Perhaps, after all, he had come to suggest to her that her father employ some one in whom he was interested. Yet she should like—a man of the world and a gentleman—come to her about this?

"I shall be glad to hear anything you have to say about any one in whom you are interested," she added pertly.

"I thank you. The man to whom I refer is the nephew of an old friend of yours—Miss Jeanne De Laine."

Desiree Is Astonished

She started in astonishment, and a shadow crossed her face.

"Is he a friend of yours?" she demanded coldly.

"Yes—that is—perhaps I should say rather that he is an acquaintance of mine. I have known him all my life. He has heard of you very often."

"Ah!" even more coldly than before. "I have heard of him, too. But I have never met him. I know of him only through his aunt."

One who was not cognizant with the particulars of the case would have known from her manner that she despised the subject of this dialogue.

David was assailed by a fear that she would forbid him to mention the name of De Laine in her presence.

"I understand that you have never cared to meet him. I, myself, can well appreciate that. Why should you fancy I would not care to meet him?"

He saw that she suspected he knew something about David De Laine's possible inheritance.

A wonderful courage came to him. Everything depended upon how well he played his part now.

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A Wise Mother and a Good Dessert

"I wish I could find something for the children that they would like as well as cornstarch pudding. It is about mangle," said Mrs. Matthews, as she and Mrs. Edmonds sat talking one afternoon. "They're sure a nuisance to make, and one never knows whether they are going to turn out right."

"Why don't you make Pudding? That always turns out right," replied Mrs. Edmonds.

"Pudding?" questioned Mrs. Matthews, with interest. "What is it? A success, but generally isn't?"

"No, indeed," said Mrs. Edmonds emphatically. "Pudding is a perfectly wonderful dessert that always turns out right. You just add milk and sugar to it and boil for three minutes, and you know that when it has cooled you will have a nice, rich mold of delicious creamy dessert."

"It sounds wonderful," interrupted Mrs. Matthews.

"It is wonderful," replied Mrs. Edmonds. "You can get it in a number of flavors—chocolate, vanilla, orange, lemon—and you can use Pudding for all sorts of things. It makes the most luscious cake and pie fillings, and smooth, velvety ice cream."

"Is it expensive?" asked her friend.

"Oh, no, indeed. A 15c package of Pudding will serve 15 people. And then what I like about it is that I can let the children have as much as they want, because it is pure and wholesome."

"I certainly shall get some Pudding," said Mrs. Matthews. "I'm glad you told me about it."

A week later the two friends were talking together on the phone. "By the way," said Mrs. Matthews. "My whole family simply loves Pudding. I think they'd like to have it for every meal. I certainly am glad you told me about it."

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Supreme Council Demands Quick Decision on Communication of Oct. 12

Washington, Nov. 4.—Emphatic request that Rumania reply without delay to the note of October 12 of the Supreme Council is made in a communication addressed by French Minister of Foreign Affairs Pichon to the Rumanian government through the French minister at Bucharest.

The text of the communication sent at the direction of the Supreme Council is made public by the State Department.

The Supreme Council declares it was unfavorably impressed upon learning that General Conda, sent as special envoy to Paris by the Rumanian ministry, arrived without the Rumanian reply to the last note from the Powers under the pretext that this step at the same time as France, England and the United States.

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tain within the shortest time a brief and clear reply from the Rumanian government on all the points discussed, the communication adds that the situation in Hungary demands an early decision and "the principal allied and associated powers cannot allow Rumania to prolong dilatory negotiation."

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