

THE WIFE

BY JANE PHELPS, AUTHOR OF "MARGARET GARRETT'S HUSBAND," AND OTHER NOTABLE STORIES.

CHAPTER LXX

Brian, Tempted, Spends the Evening with Mollie King

Life is habit. Nothing more or less. Brian Hackett had formed the habit of considering himself of paramount importance. His pleasure, his comfort, his entertainment. So that when he avowed to behave himself and eat at home, he felt as if he were a martyr like those of old. That there was no one to appreciate his sacrifice, to tell him how good he was, took all the zest from the action.

He was wanted to be patted on the back, not figuratively, but literally. He wanted to hear the "well done" he felt he deserved. So although he went home to the delicious dinner Ruth had ordered and Rachel prepared for him, it was ashes in his mouth. After he had finished, he smoked a cigar, that too did not taste right. Perhaps because Ruth had not lighted it for him.

Then he tried to read. "Trash," he muttered, as he turned the leaves of a late magazine. "How people expect a fellow to spend his time reading such stuff, I can't imagine." Finally he decided he would take a walk. That his steps led to the drive, and that a Washington Square bus happened to pass him, was simply a coincidence.

It would kill the time to ride down and back. Of course he would not get off the bus. It was a beautiful night and it would be hard to secure a seat. Someway the cigar tasted all right now, and he puffed away contentedly. When the bus stopped at the end of the route, without any conscious object in view, almost without volition, he got down with the rest of the passengers.

"I wonder if Mollie is at home," he said to himself, looking in the

direction of her studio. Of course he had intended to see her, he would have called from the house and found out if she were at home. But now that he was so near to her, he was not to run in and see her for just a few minutes.

"Hello, Brian!" Mollie herself opened the door. "Missus away open," she asked with a comical look and accent.

"Yes, went this afternoon. Up-stairs, where's why?" "Oh, when the cat's away the mouse will play. And look up another mouse to play with him." "Don't fool yourself," Brian replied. "I have no mouse. I'm only came out for a ride. I am going right back." "If you are, you might feel hurt if I were so near and didn't come."

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had said to him, "But it is good to have you." "And it is good to come," Brian really meant it. Mollie had given him just the solution for which his soul hungered. When he described his lonely dinner with only old Rachel in the house she condescended with him as if he had no dinner at all instead of a delicious one. When he told her of the lonely home to which he was doomed to go, she patted him and told him it was a shame that a domestic man should have married a woman who cared nothing for a home.

So that when Brian again mounted the bus he was in a beatific mood. The time he had spent in the restaurant, fussed over, pressed and consoled. What more could man ask? Arrived at home, he found Ruth's telegram.

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AN "ADVT" FOR TOBACCO TRUST The Port Hope Times announces that "only a small percentage of tobacco users are affected by the influenza."

RANGERS FOUGHT MEXICANS. El Paso, Tex., Nov. 8.—One Mexican federal soldier was reported killed and Ranger J. R. Perkins was missing after a clash between Texas Rangers and Mexicans early this morning, according to word received here.

SLAUGHTER HOUSE—Ice box, beams and tracks with roller and swivel hooks and other hooks, saws, cleavers, forks, barley fork, 2 cross cut saw, iron bars, foot warmer, lawn mower, hand saw, scissor, tube, scoop shovel, set slaughter house steps, wagon jack, cement coat heater, whitestuffs, gravel screen, beam scale, 400 pounds, large window, small window, computing scales, paper cutters, set 4 ton pit scales, and other articles.

CHICKENS—Twenty-five chickens.

RAIN—One hundred bushel oats.

TERMS—All sums of \$10 and under cash, over that amount 11 months credit will be given on business, 12 months on real estate. 5 per cent for cash on credit amounts.

W. J. Bragg, Proprietor.

SALE HOUSEHOLD FURNITURE W. J. Bragg has been asked to offer for sale by public auction on Tuesday, Nov. 12, at 313 Dalhousie street, corner of Brock St., commencing at 1.30 sharp, the following goods: 6 piece parlor suite, antique; 2 parlor tables, green Axminster rug, 4 x 11-2; pair arch curtains, cushioned, pictures, lace curtains, 10 yds. hall carpet, oak wall mirror, 5 mahogany dining chairs, hand carved, extension table, walnut; oak bookcase, large gas heater, 25 yds. Brussels carpet, walnut ottoman, wicker settee, settee, cut glass, pictures, billiard, 5 yds. Brussels, 2 cupboards, chairs, gas heater, tubs, lawn mower, oak upholstered rocker, sealers and front parlor table, 12 yards carpet, oak rocker, garden tools, two dressers, iron bed, springs, settee, mattress, 2 bedroom chairs, antique, walnut bedroom suite, complete; toilet set, 16 yds. Brussels carpet, chest drawers, walnut bookcase, 80 years old; also bedding, blankets, knitted rug, 5 yds. Brussels, other articles not mentioned on Tuesday, Nov. 12 next, at 313 Dalhousie St., corner of Brock St., car passes the door. Come early as we must start Road, on Monday, November 11th, commencing at one o'clock sharp.

HORSES—One black horse, 6 years old, good in all harness; 1 aged grey mare, good in all harness; bay mare, 6 years old; 6 years old.

CATTLE—Black heifer, 3 years old, due in February.

PIGS—Thirteen hogs.

IMPLEMENTS—International disk, set lever harrows, scuffer, 1 and 4 tooth cultivator, hand seeder, drill and cultivator, broad cast seeder, Bain wagon and box with spring seat, wagon, combination hay and stack rack, set 8,000 lb. springs, wagon and tank with spray pump and horse connections, complete, 2 sets Bain bob sleighs, set light delivery dishes, platoon, cutter, buggy, 2 buggy poles, set heavy shaves, root pulper, cutting box, hay rake, cover butcher wagon with calf rack to slide under cover, section tank, large caulkron with turncase, small feed cooker, plough, barrels, mower, hand corn planter, hand potato planter, scythe, pig troughs, grindstone with seat, string bells, set of 4 bells, dry potato sprayer, Enterprise sausage machine, lard press and sausage stuffer, barrel potato flour, past sausage castings, 2 coal oil tanks, gasoline tank, coal oil stove, 3 burner, berry boxes and crates, 3 large white enamel meat platters, Ford touring car, auto chains, single horse plow, 2 horse plow.

HARNESS—Set double harness, 4 sets single harness, set nearly new, heavy team breast collar, 2 sticking traps, 2 pruning pliers, leaders, cement post moulds for large grate posts and small line posts.

Fortuna 31st (130887), born October 13th, 1916, with bull calf at foot; sire, Scottish Mistral (Imp.), dam, Fortuna 32nd, due to calve November 30th; sire, Dorothy King, 55099, dam, Fortuna 14th. Fanny Lloyd, due June 25, bred to Hero of Brantburn, 119869, sire, Dorothy King, dam, Fanny, 80850, Rosalie 7th, 116471, with red bull



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Rippling Rhymes

By Walt Mason.
THE UNHAPPY BARD.
Most workers pull down princely wages, reward of honest sweat; but still the bardic and sagacious must take what they can get. The man who comes to do my choring draws many bones a day, and at odd moments he is roaring, because good longer fees, you'll find if I'm a learned mechanic to tinker round my ear; his charges put me in a panic, and give my soul a jar. The butcher, grocer, and the baker have alike raised their prices high; and I'm afraid the undertaker will win when I die. On everything the price is higher, except on deathless pomes, and hards can hardly find a buyer for products of their domes. My wife declares she needs a bonnet, she's worn her lid three years, and I remark, "I'll write a sonnet, a thing of smiles and tears; and if it fetches in some plunder, a roll of good long fees, you'll have to admit that's a wonder, the smoothest ever seen." Then in the market place I flout it, among the shopping gents but not a buyer seems to want it for more than fifty cents. They've raised the price on hens and eggs, on all the things that grow, but soaring and immortal verses won't bring ten cents a throw.

RIGHT NAME EVEN AT THAT

A consignment of whiskey recently seized in the Grand Truck yards at London was labelled "scrap iron."

AUCTION SALE

of Household Furniture
W. J. Bragg will sell by Public Auction on Thursday next Nov. 14 at 219 Darling street commencing at 1.30 p.m. sharp, the following goods, including settle arm chair, case, Brussels rug 9 x 12, arch supports 7 yd. stair carpet, 2pr lace curtains, 3 large oil paintings, oak sideboard, oak table, 6 high back chairs, oak couch, glassware, dishes, pictures, curtains, blinds, famous oil heater, almost new, sewing machine, lawn mower, happy thought radio, kitchen table, chairs, washing machine, single egg heater, sealers, pots, pans and all kitchen utensils, 24 foot lawn fence, garden tools, oak dresser, commode, iron bed spring mattress, tiled set, Rug 9x15, feather bed, mahogany dresser, commode, spring dining room chairs, 2pr arm chair's crib, wool carpet 12x9 and lace curtains also a choice lot spreads and bedding.

Remember the date, Thursday next Nov. 14, fourteenth at 279 Darling street commencing at 1.30 sharp. Terms spot cash. No reserves. The goods have all been fumigated according to law and stamped. Mrs. Watson. W. J. Bragg, Auctioneer.

Leaving For England

Auction of farm stock, implements and household furniture. S. P. Picher, auctioneer, has received instructions from Mrs. Eekles to sell at her residence, the corner of Wood and Grand street, on TUESDAY, NOV. 12th, at 1.30 the following: 1 Jersey cow, 4 yrs, due 1st of Dec.; 1 Jersey cow, 3 yrs. old, due 1st of April; 1 Jersey heifer, 18 months old; 1 horse, 9 yrs. old; 1 sow and three piglets, 6 weeks; 6 ducks, chicken runs, wire netting; turnip pulper, quantity of turnips, 1 plow, cultivator, harrows, seed drill (all new); rubber tired buggy, set light horse, two-wheeled cart, wheelbarrow, set light harness, set of heavy harness, potatoes, apples and fruit.

Notice to Creditors

In the matter of the estate of William Falconer Tisdale, late of the City of Brantford, in the County of Brant, Clerk in the Civil Service, deceased. NOTICE is hereby given, pursuant to section 56 of the Trustee Act R.S.O. 1914, Chapter 121, that the creditors and others having claims or demands against the estate of the said William Falconer Tisdale, who died on or about the thirty-first day of August, A.D., 1918, at the Town of Brletie, Man., are required, on or before the first day of December, A.D., 1918, to send by post, prepaid, or deliver to Jones & Hewitt, Bank of Hamilton Building, Brantford, collectors for Ralph H. Reville, Esquire, the executor of the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, their Christian names and descriptions, the full particulars in writing of their claims, a statement of their accounts, and the nature of the security, if any, held by them. AND TAKE NOTICE that after such last mentioned date the said executor will proceed to distribute the assets of the said deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which it shall then have notice, and that the said executor will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons of whose claim notice shall not have been received by it at the time of such distribution. A.D., 1918.

Dated this 24th day of October, JONES & HEWITT, Collectors for the said Executor.

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