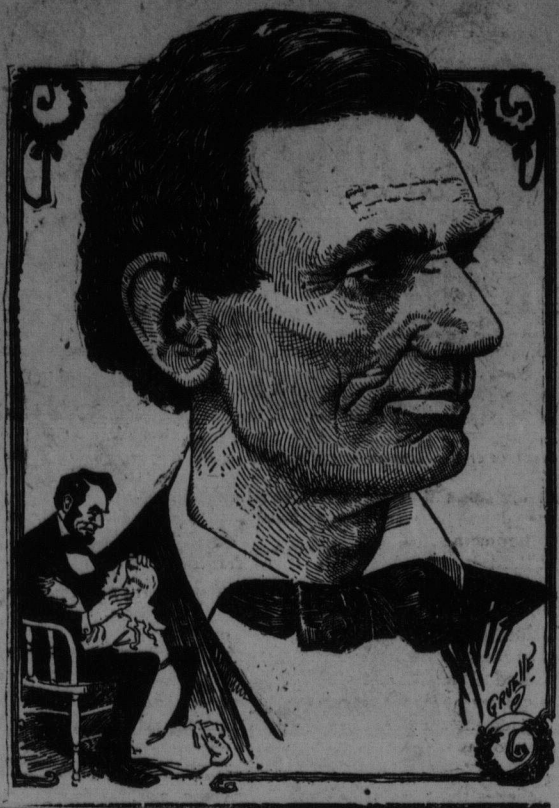


The Story Of Lincoln And The Orphaned Girl



This Is My Fate

By Abraham Lincoln.

I have never united myself to any church, because I have found difficulty in giving my assent, without mental reservation, to the long complicated statements of Christian doctrine...

Ypsilanti, Mich., Feb. 11.—Here is a story of Abraham Lincoln never before told. It illustrates how the heart of the great, rugged man could open with sympathy for the griefs of others...

She does not weep because of her childhood sorrow. Time long ago healed the smart of that. She weeps because the great hearted human tenderness of Abraham Lincoln shall bring tears to the eyes of youth and age alike...

She is Mrs. Eliza Wells, but at the time the grief that brought her such a rare memory of Lincoln came to her she was Eliza Taylor, a flippant, inconsequential schoolgirl of 16, living in Springfield, Ill., where her stepfather (the only father she ever knew) was an overworked family doctor...

Dr. Taylor was a rigid New Englander, sprung from a long line of Puritan ancestors and proud of his blood. But between him and Lawyer Lincoln, whose birthplace was a lowly cabin in Kentucky, there sprang up a friendship...

The doctor's discriminating glance went past the unclean exterior of the man, pierced the mass of drudgery and anecdote with which Lincoln was wont to surround his personality, and saw the rare and beautiful soul underneath...

The doctor's port daughter, however, was not to be won by the warmth of the country lawyer's good-natured advances. She put down his funny stories as the attempts of a boorish sort of fellow to be kittenish, and had ever a word of criticism for his roughness of dress...

That was 34 years ago. Presently the country was scourged with a fatal epidemic—cholera. It seemed to be in every home. If Dr. Taylor had been overworked before, he knew not the meaning of rest then. Night and day he was up and about...

It was then the undivided courage that Dr. Taylor knew was in Lincoln's soul showed itself. With a story, a word of appreciation, a bit of cheer now and then he heartened the doctor to his work. When medicine was needed and the patient had no money Lincoln's lean purse was open. He appeared unwilling that his doctor friend should bear all of the responsibility alone, and himself made the rounds with the physician, doing what he could...

JAPAN STRIVES FOR PEACE SERVAANTS ORGANIZED

Baron Kikuchi's Message at Portland -- His Nation Was Forced to Become Militant-- Japan Fought for Open Door

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Women Heroines Face Jail In Labor's Last Stand Against Trust



THREE WOMEN WHO FACE CELLS FOR VIOLATING STRIKE INJUNCTION AT NEW CASTLE, PA. MRS. MAUD B. PARSONS, MRS. DALLIS L. DOUGLASS, MRS. MYRTLE DOYLE. Accused of Calling a Strike Breaker 'Black Scab.' Accused of Giving a Strike Breaker 'the Horse Laugh.' Accused of Calling a Strike Breaker a 'Black Pot.'

New Castle, Pa., Feb. 7.—The last stand of the once great Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel Workers against the United States Steel corporation—the steel trust, which has made life a misery in every mill where it has destroyed the union—by employing heroines as well as heroes...

Here in New Castle 3500 tin workers, almost all of them sturdy Welshmen, there been on strike since last July. At that time, with steel products and the cost of living both rising, the trust cut down wages 9 per cent. They simply refused to recognize the union. It was, of course, a cold, deliberate plan to put the workers' organization out of business...

That they ought to give their servants the conditions the strikers want there is no question, she went on, "but housekeepers are fifty years behind in business methods. Each one is struggling with her domestic problem in a petty, individualistic, wasteful way, instead of using the modern business scheme of combining their domestic staffs...

Mrs. O. H. P. Belmont refused to commit herself on so delicate a question. "Really," she said, when seen at her office, No. 555 Fifth avenue, "I couldn't say one way or the other. The question is too important to be decided without a great deal of reflection."

But Miss Inez Mikholland, the young Vassar graduate, who is now in the law office of a large apartment house, had no doubts on the subject. "Of course we should have unions for servants," she said, "I never had a domestic staff, but I think I would gladly give them what the strikers are asking. I think, too, that all the women who are helping their servants know how to help their servants what they are trying to make men give their employees."

Mrs. Rose Pastor Stokes was not afraid to declare her opposition to the idea for domestic servants. "Almost nothing is impossible," she wrote, "but of all the least possible things, the most important is an utterly unorganized industry."

When asked if she would be willing to get servants organized as she is trying to do in the shirtwaist makers, Miss Mary Dreier, president of the Woman's Trade Union League, replied: "Not similarly, but suitably. I don't believe, for instance, that it would be fair to ask women not to employ domestic servants without a deliberate effort to organize them. It is not a tangible reason. I'll tell you about what I think would be right."

increase of sixty-two per cent. While the share of the United States in the commerce of the Orient has been maintained and slightly increased down to the end of 1908, it is still in Mr. Austin's opinion, far below that which it should be. The Oriental people number 800,000,000 more than half the world's population and their imports amount to \$2,000,000,000 a year. About one-third of this total of \$2,000,000,000 worth of Oriental imports is inter-Oriental merchandise drawn by one Oriental country from another, but the remainder, or about \$1,400,000,000, is imported from Occidental countries, chiefly Europe and America.

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And that's the way it is. There is no chatting on the mill side of New Castle city. You do not see three women stop anywhere to talk about the last bargain sale or even about the prevalence of the measles. They dare not. The Great United States Steel corporation has an injunction against them.

But the 26 who dared? Oh, they laughed at the strikers, according to the warrants under which they were arrested. Then it is solemnly sworn and subscribed to that some women called "scabs." Maybe they were right. And one desperate woman is even charged with loudly stating her opinion that a certain striker was a "Black Pot." Thus are American liberties jeopardized by women with tongues in their heads.

All of us women who were arrested are out on \$200 bail till our trial, said Mrs. Thomas. "But we'll go to jail if we have to, and be proud of it for such a cause."

That first evening of my visit 30 of these strikers' wives and daughters met to rehearse for a church concert. They were clear-skinned, deep-eyed women, with the rich, deep voices and pure English speech that mark all comers from the British west country. Their simple, earnest, cordial, how they could sing.

The solemn, compelling strains of "Jesus, Lover of my Soul" made the small rooms ring with their voices. There was a bit of fussing as a young woman with a wonderful appeal in her centrally placed eyes and sang, unaccompanied. "He Was Despised and Rejected." The concert ended with a light, lilting love serenade, and then a chorus of "The Streets of London." But not in a body they got up two by two. And there was an interval between the going of each pair.

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When the mill is running full we only work 21 days a month, said Mrs. Thomas. "That's as much as we can, because the work is a terrific strain, and we can only keep at it from 10 to 15 minutes at a stretch. The rollers, the highest paid men, can make at the highest \$8 a day. This at 21 days a month for from only four to six months a year—over his Elwood, Ind. It's 13 weeks in two years—makes a good steady clerking job look attractive in comparison."

THREE MEN INJURED IN RAILWAY WRECK. Jigger Ahead of Local Train Plunges from Track Near Sudbury, Ontario and Three Section Men Are Badly Hurt.

STARVE TO DEATH. Toronto, Feb. 11.—Should female school teachers starve to death if they get married? This was discussed at a meeting of the Board of Education last night. Miss Martin, a woman member, claiming the younger teachers were receiving pay hardly enough to live on. No decision was reached.

MISS GUNARD MAY MARRY AFTER ALL. New York, N. Y., Feb. 11.—There is talk over the breaking of the engagement of Miss Margaret Cunard and Mr. Robert Harcourt, brother of Mr. Louis Harcourt. This engagement really existed eighteen months before it was publicly announced. Just after the last Ascot race meeting her father withheld his assent, as he did not consider the Harcourts means adequate for the support of his daughter, but money lately was settled on the latter by Lady Harcourt. Then both parties to the engagement had influenza and Mr. Harcourt insisted on the wedding. The party of the first part contended that his health was bad but finally the latter broke the engagement altogether. Miss Cunard's relatives now assert that when she has recovered her nerve balance matters are sure to result in her marrying the latter.