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THE MYSTERY OF AGATHA WEBB.

By Anna Katharine Green,
Author of "The Leavenworth Case," "Lost Man's Lane," "Hand and Ring," Etc., Etc.

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The next letter was in Agatha's handwriting. It was dated some months later and was stained and crumpled more than any others in the whole packet. Could Philemon once have told why? Were these blotted lines the result of his tears falling fast upon them, tears of 40 years ago, when he and she were young and love had been doubtful? Was the sheet so yellowed and so seamed because it had been worn on his breast and folded and unfolded so often? Philemon, thou art in the grave, sleeping sweetly at last by the side of her thou so idolized, but these marks of feeling still remain indissolubly connected with the words that gave them birth.

DEAR PHILEMON—You are gone for a day and a night only, but it seems a lengthened absence to me, meriting a little letter. You have been so good to me, Philemon, ever since that dreadful hour following our marriage I feel that I am beginning to love you and that God did not deal with me so harshly when he cast me into your arms. Yesterday I tried to tell you this when you almost kissed me at parting, but I was afraid it was a momentary sentimentality and so kept still. But today such a warm wellspring of joy rises in my heart when I think that tomorrow the house will be bright again and that in place of the empty wall opposite me at table I shall see your kindly and forbearing face! I know that the heart I had thought impregnable has begun to yield and that daily gentleness and boundless consideration from one who

[illegible] excuse for bitter thoughts and re-[illegible]mination is doing what all of us [illegible]ought impossible a few short months ago.

Oh, I am so happy, Philemon, so happy to love where it is now my duty to love, and if it were not for that dreadful memory of a father dying with harsh words in his ears and the knowledge that you, my husband, yet not my husband, are bearing ever about with you echoes of words that in another nature would have turned tenderness into gall I could be merry also and sing as I go about the house, making it pleasant and comfortable against your speedy return. As it is, I can but lay my hand softly on my heart as its beatings grow too impetuous and say: "God bless my absent Philemon and help him to forgive me! I forgive him and love him as I never thought I could."

That you may see that these are not the weak outpourings of a lonely woman, I will here write that I heard today that John and James Zabel have gone into partnership in the shipbuilding business, John's uncle having left him a legacy of several thousand dollars. I hope they will do well. James, they say, is to all appearance perfectly cheerful, is full of business and this relieves me from too much worry in his regard. God certainly knew what kind of a husband I needed. May you find yourself equally blessed in your wife.

Another letter to Philemon a year later:

DEAR PHILEMON—Hasten home, Philemon; I do not like these absences. I am just now too weak and fearful. Since we knew the great hope before us I have looked often in your face for a sign that you remembered what this hope cannot but recall to my shuddering memory. Philemon, Philemon, was I mad? When I think what I said in my rage and then feel the little life stirring about my heart, I wonder that God did not strike me dead rather than bestow upon me the greatest blessing that can come to woman. Philemon, Philemon, if anything should happen the child! I think of it by day, I think of it by night. I know you think of it, too, though you show me such a cheerful countenance and make such great plans for the future. Will God remember my words or will he forget? It seems as if my reason hung upon this question.

A note this time in answer to one from John Zabel:

DEAR JOHN—Thank you for words which could have come from nobody else. My child is dead. Could I expect anything different? If I did, God has rebuked me.

Philemon thinks only of me. We understand each other perfectly, now that our greatest suffering comes in each other's pain. My load I can bear, but this— Come and see me, John, and tell James our house is open to him. We have all done wrong, and are caught in one web of misfortune. Let it make us friends again.

Below this in Philemon's hand:

My wife is superstitious. Strong and capable as she is, she has felt that this sudden taking off of our firstborn as a sign that certain words uttered by her on her marriage day, unhappily known to you and, as I take it, to James also, have been remembered by the righteous God above us. This is a weakness which I cannot combat. Can you, who alone of all the world beside know both it and its cause, help me by a renewed friendship, whose cheerful and natural character may gradually make her forget? If so, come like old neighbors and dine with us on our wedding day. If God sees that we have buried the past and are ready to forgive each other the faults of our youth, perhaps He will further spare this good woman. I think she will be able to bear it. She has great strength except where a little child is concerned. That alone can henceforth stir the deepest recesses of her heart.

After this a gap of years. One, two, three, four, five children were laid away to rest in Porchester churchyard, then Philemon and she came to Sutherlandtown, but not till after the certain event had occurred, best made known by this last letter to Philemon:

DEAREST HUSBAND—Our babe is born, our sixth and our dearest, and the reproach of its first look had to be met by me alone. Oh, why did I leave you and come to this great Boston, where I have no friends but Mrs. Sutherland? Did I think I could break the spell of fate or Providence by giving birth to my last darling among strangers?

I shall have to do something more than that if I would save this child to our old age. It is borne in upon me like fate that never will a child prosper of my breast or survive the clasp of my arms. If it is to live, it must be reared by others. Some woman who has not brought down the curse of heaven upon her by her own blasphemies must nourish the tender frame and receive the blessing of its growing love. Neither I nor you can hope to see recognition in our babe's eye. Before it can turn upon us with love it will close in its last sleep, and we will be left desolate. What shall we do, then, with this little son? To whose guardianship can we intrust it? Do you know a man good enough or a woman sufficiently tender? I do not, but if God wills that our little Frederick should live he will raise up some one by the pang of possible separation already tearing my heart. I believe that he will raise up some one.

Meanwhile I did not dare to kiss the child lest I should blight it. He is so sturdy, Philemon, so different from all the other five.

I open this to add that Mrs. Sutherland has just been in with her 5 weeks' old infant. His father is away, too, and has not yet seen his boy, and this is their first after ten years of marriage. Oh, that I had such confidence as she in a future of endless delight in this babe!

The next letter pens with a cry:

Philemon! Come to me, Philemon! I have done what I threatened. I have made the sacrifice. Our child is no longer ours, and now perhaps he may live. But, oh, my breaking heart, my empty home! Help me to bear my desolation, for it is for life. We will never have another child. And where is it? Ah, that is the wonder of it! Near you, Philemon, yet not too near. Mrs. Sutherland has it, and you may have seen its little face through the car window if you were in the station last night when the express passed through to Sutherlandtown. Ah, but she has her burden to bear, too—an awful secret burden, like my own, only she will have the child, for, Philemon, she has taken it in lieu of her own, which died last night in my sight. And Mr. Sutherland does not know what she has done and never will if you keep the secret as I shall for the sake of the life the little innocent has thus won.

(To be continued).

BEING A BRIDEGROOM IN ARMENIA

If the fathers and mothers of well to do young men who are constantly menacing their social station by leading to the altar brides whom they have selected during an evening supper party could succeed in introducing Armenian wedding customs into this country they would probably have less to worry about. In place of the hasty dash to the City Hall, followed by an equally hasty trip to the nearest Alderman, which is customary in show girl society alliances, the ardor of the young bridegroom, according to Armenian customs, would be allowed to cool for a period of five or six days. In the large cities of America this is almost long enough for the happy couple to become not only settled in their new home, but altogether unsettled again.

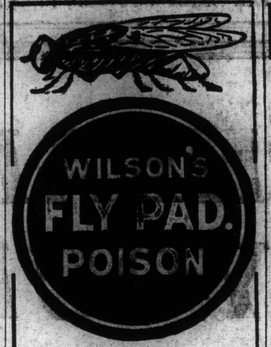
In Armenia everybody has a good time at a wedding except the bridegroom. First all the friends gather, and an entertainment with dancing takes place. The bridegroom is expected to arrive after the entertainment is at its height, and it is considered good form for him to appear with his face covered with powder to simulate pallor induced by the solemnity of the occasion.

Friends of the bridegroom then give him a public shave, and then fall upon him and strip him of his clothes, after which he is supplied with a new set of garments and completely dressed again. While they are performing the offices of valet to the groom the young men present are supposed to hold lighted candles in their right hands.

The day after this opening marriage feast the bride rides to church and the bridegroom walks. The priest who receives them in the porch reads to them a short sermon on their duties in the matrimonial state and then the wedding party proceeds to the altar, where the foreheads of the high contracting parties are bound together with gold chains.

The wedding festivities continue for at least three days after this and the couple are not regarded as really married until the ceremonies have all been concluded. The social celebration of the wedding is gone through with as conscientiously as the religious part.

Altogether it is probable that if Armenian customs were foisted upon America the casual marriage parties of which one reads so much would no longer be in fashion.



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WOMAN'S SUIT AGAINST PEER

Jury Finds Allegations Untrue, but Made Without Malice.

The action brought by Mrs Kate Barham, of Heveningham, Suffolk, against Lord Huntingfield, of Heveningham Hall, for damages for alleged slander, ended on Monday in the King's Bench Division in favor of the peer.

Mrs Barham was the wife of a man employed on a farm tenanted by Mr. Le Grys, on Lord Huntingfield's Suffolk estate. She alleged that Lord Huntingfield had said she was an immoral woman, and that her house was improperly conducted. Her name she declared, was coupled with that of Mr. Le Grys, her husband's employer. Both she and Mr. Le Grys denied that there was any ground for the alleged improprieties it was said such allegations. In consequence of that Lord Huntingfield had told Mr Le Grys that he must get rid of the Barhams.

Lord Huntingfield pleaded justification and privilege.

Mr. Kemp, K.C., said Lord Huntingfield held an influential position in Suffolk, and felt bound, in honor to himself and the public, to take some action with regard to the scandal which had arisen in this neighborhood.

The jury, after nearly an hour's deliberation, found that the words spoken were defamatory and were not true, but that Lord Huntingfield was not actuated by malice.

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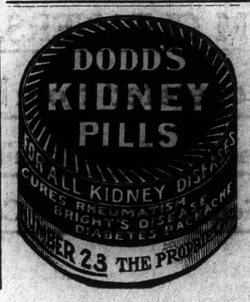

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NOT THE NAME FOR IT.

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A MISTAKE.

"Men who marry their stenographers make one fatal mistake."

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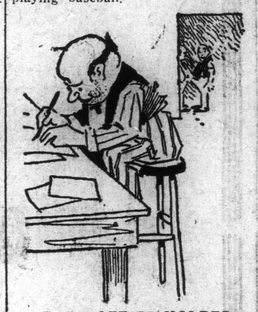

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