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**Divorced Life**

By Helen Hanson Frazier  
Through a Glass Darkly

Shamed and humiliated, Marian walked on and on. She would gladly have wiped the last six months completely out of her life in exchange for the assurance that the things the two women had discussed had never happened.

She flayed herself, now that it was too late, for not having questioned the acceptances of her various manuscripts. She wondered that it had never occurred to her that there was something odd and strange about her good fortune in finding such ready markets for her mediocre wares.

She realized now that pure vanity and egotism had led her to accept the mere surface indications of events.

Why had she not made an effort to pry beneath the glamour of the surface into the real, true heart of things?

Staring on and on, she saw life darkly. Sick with the thought that her sojourn at Placid Inn, her life lately in New York, and now her stay here had been financed by charity, pure and simple, her chagrin and disgust knew no bounds. In a way, she mused, it had been sweet of Meadows, after her refusal to accept a loan, to try to help her over some of her bumps. But she hated patronage like poison. She hated herself. She hated life and its forces which had hurled her into a world of sharp and bitter competition for which she had known no adequate preparation.

Lashed by this annoying mood, Marian began for the first time since her arrival at Atlantic City to dislike the place. Walking up Tennessee avenue, a thoroughfare cluttered and jammed with hotels and boarding houses, cheap restaurants, arrays of suggestive post-cards on street vendors' stands, and a thick lather of killing pedestrians, she hurried on her way, wishing to escape the street's sights and sounds.

Scantly clad men and women in their bathing suits were strolling vulgarly down the street. The clatter of the newest rag-time airs, hammered out of poorly attuned pianos, came out of the fetid doors of the hotels. In their lobbies stood the never-fading scales, surrounded by little groups of people, avid for knowledge as to their weight. Callow youths in cheap flannel trousers, abridging neckties, and end-of-the-season bargains in straw hats, were swinging cheap canes and flirting with passing young women.

Reaching the business section of the city, Marian caught sight of a telegraph office. She entered hastily, poised a pencil for a moment, and scribbled the following telegram to the editor of the City Dweller: "Have my stories been paid for by some philanthropist? Wire answer immediately."

Having dispatched this wire, Marian felt partially relieved. She had no doubt what the answer would be. Yet in her frenzied mental condition it had been imperative to take some kind of step. She was glad she had obeyed the impulse to send the telegram.

Emerging from the telegraph office she caught sight of none other than Challoner. He was the last person on earth she wanted to talk to just now. Remembering her broken engagement for the first time she never-the-less started quickly in the opposite direction, determined to make good her escape and give herself over to further thought and planning.

"Miss Winthrop! Just a moment!" she heard presently, however. Challoner, having caught sight of her departing figure, had hurriedly followed and overtaken her. "Discovered, you little devil!" he laughed.

Looking into his kindly face she was glad that he had found her. She tried to answer his greeting, but choked. Her lips trembled, and swift tears dashed down her cheeks.

"Why Marian, what's the matter?" demanded Challoner in astonishment. "Oh, Mr. Challoner," she burst out, "I'm the most miserable person in the world!"

To-morrow—The Doctor of Moods.

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**War News**

**Messages Received Previous to 9 A.M.**

**OFFICIAL REPORT.**

PARIS, Oct. 24. The following official report was given out this afternoon: "The battle continues on our left wing. The enemy has made progress to the north of Dixmude and in the vicinity of La Basee. We have made very perceptible advances to the east of Neuport, in the region of Langemarck, and in the region between Armentieres and Lille. It is a question of inevitable fluctuations in the line of combat which however maintains itself as a whole. On the rest of the front several German attacks by day and by night have been repulsed at various places. We have made slight progress in the Woerze district. Our advance has continued in the direction of the fortress of Montmarne, to South Thiacourt aid in the forest of Lepreire North of Pout-a-Mousson.

In Russia the Germans are retreating to the South of Warsaw, as well as to the West of Ivanogrod and Nova Alexandria. Desperate fighting continues in Galicia, on the Sandomier front. At Przemysl the Russians have taken 2,000 Austrian prisoners.

LONDON, Oct. 24. Governor, St. John's: During October 23rd a British flotilla of monitors and other vessels bombarded the German right, causing heavy losses, as testified by prisoners.

German submarines persistently attacked the flotilla and fired torpedoes, without effect, at the Wildfire (sloop of 1,140 tons), and the Myrmidon (Torpedo-Boat-Destroyer, 370 tons). No loss was sustained by the flotilla.

All German attacks on Neuport have been repulsed.

**GERMAN SUBMARINE SUNK.**  
LONDON, Oct. 25. A German submarine was rammed and sunk by the Destroyer Badger (800 tons), Commander Fremantle, on the Dutch coast.

**ADMIRALTY REPORT.**  
LONDON, Oct. 25. The Admiralty has issued the following: All of yesterday, Monitors and other vessels of the British bombarding fleet fired on the Germans right wing, which they searched thoroughly and effectively in consort with the operations of the Belgian Army. All German attacks at Neuport were repulsed and much damage was done to the enemy by the naval fire, which enflamed the German lines. Prisoners taken yesterday and the day before testify to the heavy losses the enemy has suffered from this cause. Fire was opened in the afternoon on the German batteries, near Ostend. Admiral Hood has a fine flotilla of vessels, suitable for this work, but at the same time not of great value. During the day our ships were attacked by the enemy's submarines, and torpedoes were fired without success. Other British vessels again attacked the submarines. Naval aeroplanes and balloons aided in direction of fire. No loss was sustained by the flotilla yesterday.

**REPORT NOT CONFIRMED.**  
LONDON, Oct. 25. The Sunday observer prints a despatch stating that through cutting of dykes in the low country east of Dix-

mude, a large German force has been flooded out. Estimates placed the German loss at 5,000 drowned, and 30,000 killed and wounded. Fighting in this region is most desperate.

**MAJOR RIVERS BULKLEY KILLED IN ACTION.**  
OTTAWA, Oct. 25. A cablegram received at Government House announces the death of Major Rivers Bulkley, Comptroller of the Household of the Duke of Connaught. He was killed in action at the front. Major Bulkley last year married Miss Ruby, Lady-in-Waiting to the Duchess of Connaught.

**FROM THE FRENCH EMBASSY.**  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 25. The following despatches were received to-day from the French Embassy: "In the region of Santerre certain partial successes are announced, and also in the region of Verdun and Pont au Mousson. In order to understand the results accomplished by the Allies, it is necessary to consider the conditions as reported at the end of last month, when the left wing of our army was in the Oise region, at Compiegne, and those portions which were disposed further to the west, and hardly reached the Somme, in the vicinity of Amiens. Today, however, the battlefront stretches 200 kilometres to Belgium, reaching the ocean, where our left wing co-operates with the English fleet."

**OFFERING FEEBLE RESISTANCE.**  
PETROGRAD, Oct. 25.—(Official.) Our troops beyond the Vistula are pressing the enemy in retreat, north of the Pillzlar River. The Germans are offering only feeble resistance, and have been driven back as far as Skiernevliewe. South of Pillzlar they have forced the Austro-German troops to engage in a serious battle.

**BATTERIES DESTROYED.**  
PARIS, Oct. 25. The destruction of three German batteries on the heights of the Meuse was officially announced to-day at 2.30.

**THE BOER REBELS.**  
PRETORIA, Oct. 25. Col. Maritz attacked Kermos (Cape Province) on Thursday, with a force of over 1,000, including several Germans, with artillery and machine guns. Casualties, one killed and ten wounded. The enemy left two dead.

**ANTI-GERMAN RIOTS.**  
LONDON, Oct. 25. Anti-German riots occurred during the night in the Clapham district of London. A German baker shop was wrecked. The German Athenaeum Club, one of the finest in London, closed its doors on Saturday night.

**SIR CHARLES DOUGLAS DEAD.**  
LONDON, Oct. 25. General Sir Charles Douglas, Chief of Staff of the British Army, and First Military Member of the Council, died to-day, aged 64.

**WILL RESPECT MONROE DOCTRINE.**  
WASHINGTON, Oct. 25. The German Ambassador, Count Bernstorff, said to-day that early in

the European war he had assured the United States that whatever the outcome of the conflict, Germany would respect the Monroe Doctrine.

**KITCHENER LORD RECTOR.**  
LONDON, Oct. 25. Lord Kitchener has been unanimously elected Lord Rector of Edinburgh University.

**GERMANS CROSS YSER CANAL.**  
LONDON, Oct. 26. Each day is but a repetition of previous days' battles which have been fought in West Flanders and Northern France and Poland. One side gains a little at one point, only to lose an advantage at another. It appears from official reports issued from the German and French headquarters that the Germans, finding it impossible to advance along the coast towards Dunkirk owing to the fire to which they were subjected from British and French warships, took a route further inland, and have succeeded in crossing the Yser canal, which the Belgians have been defending stubbornly for a week past to the west of Dixmude. They have also made progress to the northwest of Ypres, and are still in possession of Roulers, towards which the Allies were advancing last week, and were one time reported to have captured. The Germans claim to have taken five hundred British troops while fighting in this neighborhood. Of gains claimed by the Germans, the French reports make no mention, dismissing the matter with the sentence: "There is no change to report between the sea and the region around Arras. To add to the trials of the troops engaged in the desperate fighting, a short spell of fine weather has given place to another downpour of rain, which will convert the lowlands of Flanders into great lakes. Of the battles on the centre and left wing the German report does not say, but the French declare they are maintaining their positions in Argonne and on the heights of the Meuse, and have destroyed three more German batteries. From unofficial sources it is learned that the French have made some advance in the mountains in Alsace border. In Poland a very heavy battle is now in progress between the fortresses of Ivanogrod and Radom.

where the Germans and Austrians, who were defeated in their first attempt to cross the Vistula, have made a stand against the Russians, who have followed in the hope of destroying them. Both sides, according to their own reports, made progress and captured guns, but the battle which extends over a front of 20 miles, has not yet been decided.

**RUSSIAN VICTORIES.**  
PETROGRAD, Oct. 26. The following communication was issued last night by general headquarters: On the 23rd and 24th the Russian troops inflicted several defeats to the German rear-guards, who were attempting to hold positions along the rivers Ravka, Skernerka and Ryka. Several positions were taken by bayonet attacks. The Austrians retreated with Germans. On the roads near Rodan, having received reinforcements, and profiting by the waded character of region, they offered stubborn resistance. Our offensive developed into considerable dimensions and we captured prisoners, cannon and rapid fire guns. Along the River San, south of Przemysl, desperate fighting continues. An attempt by the Austrians to turn the Russian left wing, south of Przemysl, failed, with heavy losses to the Austrians. An Austrian column which descended the Carpathians, near the town of Dolina, have been defeated and dispersed.

The following was issued by the French War Office last night: Action continues under the same conditions as on preceding days. A battle of a very violent character is in progress between Neuport and the River Lya. The German forces have succeeded in crossing the Yser between Neuport and Dixmude. To the west and south of Lille spirited attacks by the enemy have been repulsed. Between the Oise and Argonne there is nothing to report, except that several small advances by our troops have occurred. To the northwest of Soissons and in the region of Croisne, on the heights of the Meuse, there are artillery engagements. In the Woerze region our heavy artillery holds five roads connecting Thalaucourt, Non-sard, Brussels and Joinville, which is one of the main lines of communication for the Germans near St. Mihiel. It is reported that yesterday in the Argonne region, an entire regiment of German infantry was annihilated during the operations.

**NO TIDINGS OF WOMAN.**—Search parties were all over the country yesterday looking for the missing woman Landy, but no trace of her was found. Hopes of finding her are now beginning to be despaired of.

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