

# THE WIFE

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

CHAPTER VIII.

Brian did have something to conceal. At least he thought he had. He had tried the night before with the two khaki-clad Englishmen, then had taken them to Mollie King's studio—first calling her and asking her permission. They had remained until late, but had all left together, which had not been expected.

Even the Ruth was jealous of Mollie King, there was nothing mean or small about her. Had Brian stayed at her studio so late alone, she would have been both hurt and suspicious. But three of them—surely, no sensible woman could object to a man going with a party to call upon a girl, especially when his wife was out of town.

But because Brian was so uncommunicative, Ruth imagined things. And in that her imagination grossly exaggerated, she was no different from most jealous wives.

But because she was suspicious she took the greater pains to hide her feelings, instead of doing as most young wives are prone to do, and "spilling over" as Brian expressed it one day when talking of a woman he knew. It would perhaps have made for her peace of mind had she "spilled" a little in lieu of holding back all her emotion, and her thoughts.

Brian was an enigma to her at this time. After her Washington trip, more so than ever. Scarcely ever did he find fault. Yet all the time he made her feel that he was about to do something and that no matter how it turned out she was to blame.

It was a peculiar feeling; one that made her uneasy without giving her anything tangible to which to object.

Mandel seemed to understand that Ruth was passing thru some sort of experience which might react to his advantage if he could keep from making the mistake of showing his feeling for her. So he avoided being alone with her, and while he was just as thoughtful, just as kind, was not as obviously so as he had been.

Without making it appear that he was endeavoring to save her, he lightened Ruth's work, and in everything made her comfort a consideration. That he did all this without in any way approaching Ruth, or without letting her feel his thoughtfulness obtrusive, proved the strength of his love for her.

Dimly Ruth sensed he was trying to make her comfortable.

"He is trying to make me forget what he said to me, that day his wealthy patron tried to make love to me," she said to herself. Then "He didn't mean, really mean, what he said. He was sorry for me, my humiliation and said more than he intended."

Yet, strangely, this reasoning did not bring quite the comfort to Ruth it should have done. Not that she wanted Arthur Mandel or any other man than her husband to make love to her, but the ways of women are past finding out, and Ruth was a woman. She felt plucked—just a little, that Mandel should so soon have resented his ability to dismiss her for her peace of mind had she "spilled" by his actions he had.

That night the rent was due, Ruth stopped on the way home to pay it and found Brian waiting for her when she reached the apartment.

"I stopped to pay the rent, dear. Put away the receipt while I take off my things. I won't be a moment."

"I wish the landlord would take his old apartment!"

"Why, Brian Hackett, you are so sorry for the soldiers, all the time talking of how hard it is for them, and all, that I should think you would be glad you had the money to pay instead of being in those horrid trenches with them, fighting for your life." Ruth had purposely said, "glad you had the money to pay."

"A man doesn't have to pay rent in the trenches, neither does his wife have to throw it in his face if she does pay it for him—he's too far away from her."

Ruth stood still, very still. It had not been Brian's words, as much as his manner, which caused her heart to almost stop beating, and that suffocating feeling to make her put her hand to her throat. It was as if Brian were seeking an excuse. More than once their clash on the eternal sickening subject of money had led to a hot quarrel. This quiet, caustic Brian was a new species to her. She scarcely recognized him as her husband.

"What is the matter, Brian? You are so unlike yourself, lately. Tell me what makes you talk and act so differently?"

"Nothing is the matter with me, only—you won't have to pay rent for me much longer! I'm going to enlist with the Canadians."

To Be Continued.



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**Notice to Creditors**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF Cecil Howard Shelington, late of the Township of Brantford, in the County of Brant, farmer, deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given pursuant to the statute in that behalf that all persons having any claim against the said deceased, who died on or about the Fourth day of November, 1918, at the Township of Brantford, are hereby required to send or deliver to the undersigned, solicitors for the Administrator, their names and addresses and full particulars of their claims and the nature of the security, if any, held by them.

And take notice that after the 11th day of January, 1919, the said Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the estate amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which his solicitor shall then have had notice, and the Administrator will not be liable for such assets to any persons of whose claim they shall not then have received notice.

**BREWSTER AND HEYD,**  
Solicitors for Administrator.  
Dated at Brantford this Eleventh day of December, A.D. 1918.

**NOTICE TO CREDITORS**

IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF John Ker, Deceased.

NOTICE is hereby given that the creditors of John Ker, late of the Township of Brantford, County of Brant, Manufacturer, deceased, who died on or about the Eighteenth day of October, A.D. 1918, at the said Township of Brantford, and all others having claims against or entitled to share in his estate are hereby notified, pursuant to the Statutes in that behalf made and provided, to send by post prepaid, or otherwise deliver to the undersigned, the Executors, on or before the 26th day of December, 1918, their Christian and Surnames, addresses and descriptions and full particulars of their claims, accounts or interests and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them. Immediately after the said 26th day of December, 1918, the assets of the said Testator will be distributed amongst the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to claims or interests of which the Executors shall then have notice, and all others will be excluded from the said distribution.

Rachel Ker and William C. Good,  
Executors.

**Brewster & Heyd,**  
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Dated at Brantford, this 25th day of November, 1918.

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Eye, bushel	1.50 to 1.60
Straw, baled, ton	7.00 to 8.00
Wheat	0.00 to 0.10
Barley, bushel	1.00 to 1.05
Vegetables:	
Beans, quart	0.25 to 0.30
Onions, basket	0.50 to 0.55
Green peppers, basket	0.00 to 0.25
Cucumbers, basket	0.35 to 0.40
Cabbage, head	0.05 to 0.15
Celery, large	0.00 to 0.25
Potatoes, per bag	1.25 to 1.40
Beets, large bk	0.05 to 0.10
Pumpkins	0.05 to 0.15
Corn, dozen	0.20 to 0.25
Green peppers, basket	0.00 to 0.25
Cauliflower, each	0.10 to 0.20
Squash	0.10 to 0.20
Apples, bbl.	3.00 to 4.00
Carrots, basket	0.20 to 0.25
Paranips, basket	0.25 to 0.40
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Paris, Dec. 24.—Prof. Paul Milukoff, leader of the Russian Constitutional Democrats and Foreign Minister in the Cabinet of Premier Lvoff, which was formed after the overthrow of the Imperial dynasty, has arrived in Paris with Nicholas Schebeko, formerly Russian Ambassador at Vienna, and four other Russians representing the various political parties, exclusive of the Bolshevik and Extreme Left of the Social Revolutionaries. The Russian leaders say they have come here for the purpose of interesting the Entente powers in the restoration of order in Russia so that a government may be formed which will reunite Russia and win recognition from the world powers.

The party left Kiev three weeks ago and travelled to Paris by way of Odessa. When Prof. Milukoff left Kiev for Skoropadski government, he said, was hard pressed because the Germans never had permitted Gen. Skoropadski to organize his own army and the Ukrainian forces small after the German troops withdrew.

Prof. Milukoff said Gen. Skoropadski never was popular with the Ukrainians because he advocated an independent Ukraine, while the public largely favored a united Russia. Extensive agrarian movements also have been directed against Skoropadski, the Constitutional Democratic leader added, and it is likely that the general has been overthrown.

In the meantime Gen. Danikine, former chief of the Russian general staff, has established a government at Yekaterinodar, which Prof. Milukoff and his associates say they hope to see develop sufficient strength to unite all the Moderates in the Ukraine and eventually to merge with the government of Gen. Kolchak at Omsk. Siberia, into a Central Government pledged to the preservation of Russian unity.

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## The Royal Bank of Canada

### GENERAL STATEMENT 30th NOVEMBER, 1918

**LIABILITIES**

TO THE PUBLIC:

Deposits not bearing interest	\$135,243,278.72
Deposits bearing interest, including interest accrued to date of statement	197,348,439.20
Notes of the Bank in Circulation	\$32,591,717.92
Balance due to Dominion Government	39,380,975.74
Balances due to other Banks in Canada	\$9,000,000.00
Balances due to Banks and Banking Correspondents in the United Kingdom and foreign countries	26,794.90
Bills Payable	6,068,926.22
Acceptances under Letters of Credit	6,095,721.12
	316,058.43
	10,162,629.56
	\$397,547,102.77

TO THE SHAREHOLDERS:

Capital Stock Paid in	14,000,000.00
Reserve Fund	\$15,000,000.00
Balance of Profits carried forward	535,757.19
	15,535,757.19
Dividend No. 125 (at 12 per cent. per annum), payable December 2nd, 1918	420,000.00
Dividends Unclaimed	10,122.95
	430,122.95
	\$427,512,982.91

**ASSETS**

Current Coin	\$17,488,314.07
Dominion Notes	24,636,344.75
	\$42,124,658.82
Deposits in the Central Gold Reserves	26,000,000.00
Notes of Other Banks	10,678,020.86
Cheques on other banks	20,034,899.30
Balances due by other Banks in Canada	6,042.80
Balances due by Banks and Banking Correspondents elsewhere than in Canada	10,391,516.44
Dominion and Provincial Government Securities, not exceeding market value	36,599,976.37
Canadian Municipal Securities and British, Foreign and Colonial Public Securities other than Canadian, not exceeding market value	29,620,885.90
Railway and other Bonds, Debentures and Stocks not exceeding market value	15,084,414.64
Call Loans in Canada, on Bonds, Debentures and Stocks	10,067,481.94
Call and Short (not exceeding thirty days) Loans elsewhere than in Canada	24,374,191.40
	\$224,982,088.47
Other Current Loans and Discounts in Canada (less rebate of interest)	\$119,184,715.26
Other Current Loans and Discounts elsewhere than in Canada (less rebate of interest)	64,175,163.85
Overdue Debts (estimated loss provided for)	388,513.29
Real Estate, other than Bank Premises	183,748,392.40
Bank premises, at not more than cost, less amounts written off	1,171,131.69
Liabilities of Customers under Letters of Credit, as per contra	6,492,611.45
Deposit with the Minister for the purposes of the Circulation Fund	10,162,629.56
Other Assets not included in the foregoing	742,818.75
	213,910.19
	\$427,512,982.91

H. S. HOLT, President. EDSON L. PEASE, Managing Director. C. E. NEILL, General Manager.

**AUDITORS' CERTIFICATE**

We Report to the Shareholders of The Royal Bank of Canada: That in our opinion the transactions of the Bank which have come under our notice have been within the powers of the Bank which have come under our notice. That we have checked the cash and verified the securities of the Bank at the Chief Office at 30th November, 1918, as well as at another time, as required by Section 56 of the Bank Act, and that we found they agreed with the entries in the books in regard thereto. We also, during the year, checked the cash and verified the securities at the principal branches.

That the above Balance Sheet has been compared by us with the books at the Chief Office and with the certified returns from the branches, and in our opinion is properly drawn up so as to exhibit a true and correct view of the state of the Bank's affairs according to the best of our information and the explanations given to us and as shown by the books of the Bank.

That we have obtained all the information and explanations required by us:

**JAMES MARWICK, C. A.,**  
**S. ROGER MITCHELL, C. A.,**  
of Marwick, Mitchell, Peat and Co. Auditors.  
**J. W. ROSS, C. A.,** of P. S. Ross & Sons.

Montreal, Canada, 18th December, 1918.

**PROFIT AND LOSS ACCOUNT**

Balance of Profit and Loss Account, 30th November, 1917 \$ 564,264.53

Profits for the year, after deducting charges of management and all other expenses, accrued interest on deposits, full provision for all bad and doubtful debts and rebate of interest on unmatured bills 2,809,846.25

APPROPRIATED AS FOLLOWS: \$ 3,374,110.77

Dividends Nos. 122, 123, 124 and 125, at 12 per cent. per annum	\$ 1,614,702.00
Transfer to Officers' Pension Fund	100,000.00
Written off Bank Premises Account	400,000.00
War Tax on Bank Circulation	136,651.58
Contribution to Patriotic Funds	50,000.00
Contribution to Patriotic Funds	40,000.00
Transferred to Reserve Fund	500,000.00
Balance of Profit and Loss carried forward	535,757.19
	\$ 3,374,110.77

**RESERVE FUND**

Balance at Credit 30th November, 1917	\$ 14,000,000.00
Premium on New Capital Stock issued to Northern Crown Bank Shareholders	500,000.00
Transferred from Profit and Loss Account	500,000.00
	\$ 15,000,000.00

H. S. HOLT, President. EDSON L. PEASE, Managing Director. C. E. NEILL, General Manager.

Montreal, 18th December, 1918.

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