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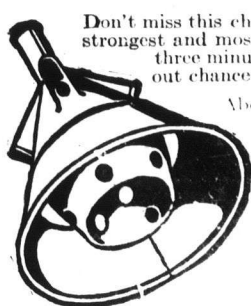
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## Jim's Choice

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**A**RE you busy, Husband?"  
"Not so busy."  
"Can't you put down that paper an' listen to me for a while?"

"I be listenin'."

"Yes, I expect you to be—with one ear. I want both ears. Ain't he exasperatin', Sister?"

"I don't know. Most men are that way."

"Oh, you're on his side! You always are. If I can't talk to my husband at night, I'd like to know when I'm to talk to him. He ain't in the house in the day, 'cept to git his meals. Nights are the only time I've got to talk, an' then it's read, read, read the whole endurin' time. Look at him now! He ain't heerd one word I've said!"

"Yes, I have. You said you ain't got no time to talk to me."

"Did you ever! Ain't got no time to talk to him! Ain't got no husband to

collars, there's somethin' brewin'. An' last week I was kind o' lookin' through his pockets, jes' to see if there was any holes you know, an' I found a white rose! Now, there ain't a bush o' that color in town, 'cept to Masons'. It grows in their side yard at the end o' the piazza. I sort o' talked 'bout roses that night, an' at last I said, 'Jim,' says I, 'I wish you'd stop to Masons' sometimes when you're down, an' ask 'em to give me a rut o' their white rose.' He got so red I felt sorry for him. He didn't say 'yes or no' so I've made up my mind it's one o' the Mason girls."

"A rose don't mean anything. I've given roses myself, an' I'm single yet."

"It all depends, Sister. If you give roses afore you're twenty, they mean a lot. But afterwards—well, I have heerd o' elderly mek takin' home roses an' plantin' 'em for a cuttin'. It ain't only the white roses that makes me think Jim's goin' to get married, though. There's



The armistice between Turkey and the Entente powers had behind it all General Townshend of the British forces, who was a prisoner in a Turkish prison camp. It was he who conducted the negotiations for Great Britain. Some time ago General Townshend, with an army of ten thousand men, was surrounded, and through want of supplies forced to surrender at Kut-el-Amara. A few days ago he was released from the Turkish prison camp and the released captive became the peace negotiator. The general will always rank as one of the heroes of the war.

talk to, you mean. I might as well be a widowed orphan. Sister's a say-nothin', an' grandma naps the whole time. When Jim's married I expect I'll go to a deaf 'n' dumb institute, an' learn to talk on my fingers. Then I won't make no noise in the house."

"Wal, I wouldn't be sarcastic, Phemie."

"Wouldn't you, Sister? No, I don't suppose you would. To be sarcastic you'd have to talk, an' talkin' ain't in your line. My, if it ain't like livin' with a lot of monuments! There you all set, lookin' life-like enough, but granite to the toes. If there was any reason for it, if you was made of steel an' had got rusted a mite—but, no! I sometimes think it's jest malice. Here's my only son goin' to git married, an' I ain't got a soul to talk it over with! If that ain't hard."

"But he ain't goin' to git married, Phemie."

"That's all you know about it, Sister. When a young man takes to brushin' his hair so slick, an' bein' partic'lar bout his

somebody else. One day I was cleanin' out his bureau drawers, an' I found a scrap o' pink calico, an' the next time went down the street I saw a dress o' that description hangin' out in Masons' back yard. That's a sure sign. They always cherish a ribbon or such. Husband used to cherish a ribbon o' mine, didn't you, Husband?"

"What?"

"Didn't you cherish a ribbon o' mine? You rec'lect? One o' them big blue bows off my bonnet."

"Mebbe. I dunno."

"Did you ever? I seen him have it myself. It was a white chip bunnet with blue satin bows. Why, Sister, you made them bows yourself! A light blue satin with open-work streaks in the centre. An' one of 'em got lost, an' years after, after I was married, bless you, I found that bow in one o' his pockets when I was sort o' straightenin' things up. An' now he don't rec'lect!"

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