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STARVED HEARTS

By MILDRED BARBOUR.

CONCERNING THE ACTION AND
THE CHARACTERS.

STEPHEN LANE, wealthy, middle-aged, despot, rules with a tyrant hand his young wife, BARBARA, who sold herself into a loveless marriage, and MADELONE, his beautiful orphaned niece, whose father's marriage he had opposed some twenty years before and whose guardianship now devolves upon him. He broke up her boy-and-girl affair with DUANE FARLEY, Farley turned for sympathy to Barbara, who, unknown to Farley, fell in love with him. Lane, sent abroad, with business and professional ruin as the only alternative.

JULIAN BARTON, Madelon's real love, whose suit was sponsored by ANN ORDWAY, lifelong family friend, who loved Lane deeply, despite his faults, but whose lack of beauty kept her unnoticed by him. Lane sends Barbara and Madelon to California, where the latter meets HOWARD CHANDLER, fascinating drifter, and marries him to escape Lane's tyranny.

CHAPTER XII.
The Lane heiress, longed for the dinner party, followed by cards until the small hours at Chandler's bungalow, was only the beginning of a series of similar functions. When the six prosperous tourists had passed on their way to the Orient, others came to take their place. Scarcely a boat but brought some wealthy drifters whom Chandler quickly came to know and brought to the bungalow for a so-called friendly game.

Madelon greeted them courteously, gravely, and then always withdrew, unless there were women in the party. She could not be persuaded to take the card games or to take so much

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LADIES' AID HOLDS
ANNUAL OUTINGMaitland Street Baptist Women
Enjoy Picnic at Spring-
bank.

An enjoyable time was spent at Springbank this week by the members of the ladies' aid of the Maitland street Baptist church, when they held their annual outing. During the afternoon games and races were enjoyed, and following a delicious supper, games were played under the direction of Mrs. H. Boyd, president of the society and convener of the day. The sports program resulted as follows:

Snowshoe race—Mrs. C. Peet, Mrs. C. Shorten.
Bean race—Mrs. H. Boyd, Mrs. G. Jones.
Feeding the monkey—Mrs. J. Gibson and Mrs. T. Kennedy, Mrs. J. Prescott and Mrs. Shorten.
Graceland walking race—Mrs. S. A. Kennedy, Mrs. G. Haslam.
Three-legged race—Mrs. J. Coleman and Mrs. J. Gibson, Mrs. H. Boyd and Mrs. W. Heatherly.
Time race—Mrs. W. Heatherly, Mrs. H. Miller.
Clothespin race—Mrs. J. Coleman's team.

One day, when the year of her marriage was drawing to a weary close, she received a cablegram from Ann.

"Barbara has a young son. Splendid baby. Barbara happy and Stephen exultant."

Madelon went down to the cable office to send back her congratulations via Ann. As she was passing a big town hotel, she met Chandler and several companions. He left them and joined her.

"What are you doing here in the heat of day?"

"She opened her purse and handed him Ann's cable."

"I came down to send an answer."

"He must have re-read it several times. A dull flush rose in his face. He handed it back to her with a shrug."

"That puts the final quietus on your prospects, doesn't it? You no longer have a chance to be the Lane heiress. Tough luck!"

Lifting his Panama briefly, he turned on his heel and rejoined his companions, who loitered in the shade of a palm.

No, she was no longer the Lane heiress, Madelon reflected. The last hope had vanished. Not that she had ever cared a rap, but Chandler—she wondered if this final difference in his treatment of her?

Her thoughts sped across the Pacific, where she was happy in her new motherhood. There would be no room for loneliness in her heart now, and Lane, what difference would it make, she wondered if this final difference in his treatment of her?

There was only herself and Ann and Julian Barton now to make up what Ann had called the company of the starved hearts. Duane Farley, perhaps, but she could not be sure. Nor could she be really sure of Julian Barton, she told herself honestly. Since that one letter which she had burned unread, she had received no further communication from him. Apparently he had taken her silence as final.

Or perhaps he had written to tell her that he no longer cared for her. It was even, it was to announce his engagement to someone else.

She faced the thought bravely. After all, what right had she, already married to another man, to care where Barton bestowed his heart?

She put aside all such recriminations when she dressed for dinner that evening.

For the first time since their marriage, Chandler did not come home at all that night.

To Be Continued.
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BLENHEIM
Blenheim, Aug. 13.—Carl Butcher, of Erieau and Miss Elsie Anderson, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Anderson, town, and who was a popular member of the Bell Telephone Company staff, were married at the United Church parsonage on Sunday afternoon by Rev. C. E. Durrant. They will reside in Erieau.

Mervin Rutherford, a young son of Mr. and Mrs. J. L. Rutherford, suffered a broken arm Monday as a result of a fall while playing at Wm. Snow's.

C. F. Present of Toronto has been spending a few days visiting his brother, E. J. Present, Talbot street.

Mr. and Mrs. W. J. French, who have been holidaying here, return this week to Point Pelee, where Mr. French has been principal of a public school for some time.

Next Monday, Aug. 17, is set for a holiday for Blenheim. The local baseball club intends giving the fans some interesting play.

Dorothy Dix

Marriage Is Only a Gamble
Because We Make It So—
Read Signs Beforehand.

In the old days when a young man took his sweetie out to ride in a side-bar buggy behind a high-stepping nag instead of in an automobile, a certain betrothed couple of my acquaintance went forth of a summer evening for a romantic drive.

On the way the horse somehow angered the man and he gave it a merciless beating, whereupon the girl promptly broke her engagement to marry him.

"Thank God, I have found out what sort of a temper you have in time to save myself," she told him, "because I do not propose to spend the balance of my life coexisting before any man's rages, or walking on eggs when he is angry for fear I will do or say something to rile him. Furthermore, I am no fool. I can take a tip when I am handed one, and I know that any man who will be cruel to a defenseless animal will be cruel to a woman when she is through."

I often think of this level-headed girl when I see the many mismated couples about me, and think that if they had had half her courage and sense they could so easily have avoided making the terrible mistakes they did. For every man and every woman run up their own danger signals that should warn those who are thinking of marrying them of just what particular risk they run in picking them out for husbands or wives.

Not even the most artful or the subtlest can long conceal their peculiarities of temperament and disposition, nor can they long camouflage their weaknesses. They reveal their characters by a thousand little trivial acts, by their instinctive attitude toward certain questions, by the way they unconsciously react to certain questions, by the way they unconsciously react to certain situations.

A girl may seem to be so sweet that she is positively saccharine, but she gives herself away by saying catty little things. A man may pose as a gallant, but he gives his true colors when he gives his seat to a pretty young woman and lets an old woman stand.

A girl may be ever so charming, but she shows she is grasping and greedy, and selfish if she expensive dishes on the menu, and invariably inveigles a man into taking her to the most expensive place to dance. A man may have a large, free air of generosity, and yet show that he is a tightwad by never being able to reach his pocketbook until somebody else has got hold of the dinner check or is paying for the tickets at the theatre.

Then there is the man who marries the poor girl who dresses like a fashion plate and whose father is known to be in debt to every grocer and millinery man in town, yet who wails that his wife is ruining him with her extravagance. And there is the man who is amazed to find himself heckled, yet who picked out as a wife a girl who bossed her family and whose mother and father were afraid of her.

ing to luck that the men will somehow change after marriage. Which they don't, not once in a blue moon.

Straws show which way the winds of temper and temperament blow, and wise are they who keep a weather eye upon them in the days of courtship.
DOROTHY DIX.

BELGIANS PREPARING
NEW PAYMENT OFFERCommissions Adjourn Till New
Instructions Arrive From
Brussels.

Associated Press Despatch.
Washington, Aug. 13.—Negotiations between the American and Belgian debt committees were suspended temporarily today to permit the visitors to receive instructions from Brussels as to a new Belgian offer. A reply is expected overnight, however, and the commissions agreed to meet again tomorrow.

At that time they will have before them also a united proposal, which is being prepared by the Belgians, was presented today to the Belgians.

BELGIAN CABINET CONFERS.

Associated Press Despatch.
Brussels, Aug. 13.—Cabinet has been called to meet in an urgent session to examine the question of Belgium's debt to the United States. The government is firmly resolved not to take any decision on this question without the approval of parliament.

TURKS ARE REPORTED
TO BE INVADING PERSIA

Special to The Advertiser.
London, Aug. 13.—An unconfirmed Central News despatch from Constantinople today said that a Turkish detachment had crossed the frontier and occupied Persian territory. Persia was reported to have sent a protest against this action to the Ankara regime. Details were lacking.

BEACHVILLE BAPTIST CHURCH.
Beachville, Aug. 13.—The August meeting of the Young Ladies' club of the Baptist church was recently held at the home of Mrs. Alex. Todd. The president, Miss Nina German, presided. After a short song service and the opening exercises, an excellent program was given, consisting of papers on "Entertainment," by Miss Grace Elliott; "Household Hints," by Miss Dorothy Post, and "Health," by Mrs. Geo. Dunn. An instrumental by Miss Bessie Smith and a vocal solo by Miss Lottie Bowie were much appreciated.

Plans were made to hold a picnic at Southside Park, Woodstock, on Tuesday, Aug. 18.

The following committees for September were elected:
Program committee, Miss Margaret

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Strathroy, Aug. 13.—School teachers' salaries in this inspectorate will average much smaller this year, as many of the school boards, especially in the rural districts, are taking advantage of the surplus of teachers

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Choice Rib Roasts, lb.,	18c	Breasts Veal, lb.,	10c
Rib Roasts Rolled, lb.,	22c	Shoulder Roasts, lb.,	17c
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Todd and Miss Grace Elliott flower committee, Miss May Anderson and Miss Ruth Turner, social committee, Miss Lottie Bowie, and Miss Helen Smith.

A contest, under the supervision of Miss Ruth Turner, was heartily entered into, after which a dainty lunch was served by the hostess.

Gang of Bandits
Holds Up Town

Special to The Advertiser.
Worcester, Mass., Aug. 13.—Three armed bandits, who threatened to shoot their victims at the slightest hostile move, descended upon Worcester early today and in two hours left a trail of hold-ups and threats of violence that brought every available state policeman and Worcester policeman into a manhunt in which orders were to shoot without hesitation.

C. N. R. HEAD DENIES
VANCOUVER RUMORSir Henry Thornton Explodes
Story of Hotel Operation
in West.

Special to The Advertiser.
Montreal, Aug. 13.—A newspaper report from Vancouver under Tuesday's date, inferring that the Canadian National Railways, through Sir Henry Thornton, have given their consent to operate a hotel to be built in Vancouver by private interests, was given a complete denial tonight

by the president of the National system.

In his statement Sir Henry said: "I said that the Canadian National Railways would look with favor and sympathy upon any project to provide another hotel at Vancouver with which we could work from a tourist point of view. I deny most emphatically that the Canadian National Railways are putting money into any hotel proposition, either directly or indirectly, at the present time in Vancouver or elsewhere."

FUNDING PLAN HALTED.

Associated Press Despatch.
Washington, D. C., Aug. 13.—A temporary halt in the negotiation for the funding of Belgium's war debt to the United States was called today while the visiting delegation awaited further instructions from its government.

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