



Marie darling, I met the most intriguing man yesterday! He is quite young (at least at heart) and brother Bobbie says he's 'some bird'! I'll swear he uses

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to keep his hair slicked back in the approved lounge lizard style -

C'est la mode!

And I suppose he also knows how refreshing and soothing Campano's is when rubbed on the face

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Sincerely,

Peggy

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BLACK OXEN

Published by arrangement with Associated First National Pictures, Inc. Watch for the screen version produced by Frank Lloyd with Corinne Griffith as Countess Zattiany.

SYNOPSIS
At a first night performance in New York a beautiful young woman attracts attention by rising and leisurely surveying the audience through her glasses. Clavering, a newspaper columnist, and his cousin, Dinwiddie, are particularly interested. Dinwiddie declaring she is the image of Mary Ogden, a belle of thirty years ago, who had married a Count Zattiany. He is convinced that this is Mary's daughter, but all efforts to establish her identity prove futile. Clavering finally manages to meet her and she tells him she is the Countess Josefa Zattiany, a cousin of Mary Ogden's and had married a relative of Mary's husband. Clavering does not believe her story and tells her so. As time goes on Clavering realizes that he is in love with the mysterious Madame Zattiany, whose first name, he learns, is Mary. He declares his passion and draws from her the admission of a reciprocal warmth of feeling. Mrs. Oglethorpe, having offered to attend the opera with him one evening. Her appearance there in the Oglethorpe box, regally gowned and the cynosure of all eyes, is somewhat in the nature of a challenge to that forbidding Society which has realized the time has come to clear up the mystery. She promises Clavering she will reveal her secret to him the following Saturday night.

"It was only when I became aware of growing mental lassitude, a constant sense of effort in talking everlastingly on subjects that called for constant alertness and often reorientation, that I was really aghast and began to look toward the future not only with a sense of helplessness but of intolerable weariness. I used to feel an inclination to turn my head away with an actual physical gesture when concentration was imperative. I thought that my condition was psychological, that I had lived too much and too hard, that my sense of the overburdened and overtaxed faculties and the degeneration of certain cells. I spent the summer alone in my estate in Hungary, and when it was over I determined to close the palace in Vienna and remain in the country. I could not go back to that restless high-pitched life, with its ceaseless gaiety on the one hand and its feverish politics and portentous rumblings on the other. My tired mind rebelled. And the long strain had told on my health.

"I lived an almost completely outdoor life; riding, walking, swimming in the lake, hunting, but careful not to overtax my returning strength. I was not in love with life, far from it! But I had no intention of adding invalidism to my other disintegrations. In the evening I played cards with my secretary or practiced at the piano, with some revival of my old interest in music. I read little even in the newspapers. I was become, save perhaps for my music, an automaton. But, although I did not improve in appearance, my health was complete recovery, and when the war came I was in perfect condition for the arduous task I immediately undertook. Moreover, my mind, torpid for a year, was free and ready for those practical details I must grapple with at once. I turned the Zattiany palace in Budapest into a hospital. And then for four years I was again an automaton, but this time a necessary and useful one. When I thought about myself at all, it seemed to me that this selfless and strenuous interval was the final severance from my old life. If society in Europe today were miraculously restored to its pre-

war brilliancy—indifferent to little but excitement and pleasure—there would be nothing in it for me.

"Now I come to the miracles." And while she recapitulated what she had told the women at Mrs. Oglethorpe's luncheon, Clavering listened without chaos in his accompanying thoughts. "Certainly, man's span is too brief now," she concluded. "He who has lived sanely—and when a man abuses his natural functions he generally dies before old age, anyhow—he is beginning to see life as a whole, with that detachment that comes when his perceptive hold on life and affairs is relaxing, when he has realized his mistakes, and has attained a mental and moral orientation which could be of inestimable service to his fellow men, and to civilization in general. What you call crankiness in old people, so called crankiness in the younger generations, does not arise from natural heatfulness of disposition, but from leached congenital glands, and, no from atrophied glands, and a subtle rebellion against nature for consigning men to ineptitude when they should be entering upon their philosophical age of usefulness, and an active enjoyment of life.

"Science has defeated nature at many points. The isolation of germs, the discovery of over diseases serums, the triumph over diseases that once wasted whole nations and that once brought the fall of empires, the arrest of infant mortality, the marvels of vivisection and surgery—the list is endless. It is logical, logical, and no wonder should be able to arrest senescence, put back the clock.

The Middle Ground

By Marion Rubinow.

LUTHER'S VIEW

Chapter 51

The mother, in the process of making the acquaintance of her three children all over again, became very observant and watch upon tails. And she kept a watch upon herself as well as upon them. She said no word that would make them think she still held to her old principles.

The children were living a different sort of life, with different standards and ideas, from those of their childhood home. It was evident she had no authority to bring them back to the old standards, therefore she must learn the new ones herself.

Then she would see what could be done. The only question was—would she win her children's confidence too late? They were drifting so fast!

Luther worried her, but in a different way. Luther's long rest in the country had helped him immensely, but he had returned to the city to go through the strain of a quarrel and separation from his wife. The fact that Claire was always delightful to him, and always glad to see him, that she treated him as sweetly as though he were a well-liked acquaintance, only made it worse for him.

Then came settling down in a new home with his two sisters, and then his mother's visit, and the inevitable friction that went with that in the beginning. And Luther had suffered as a result of all this, his cheeks were hollow again and his wide sensitive mouth seemed even wider, with his thin face.

The night after Dick's last visit when Amy announced to him her intention of marrying a rich man, Luther practically ended his hopes. Mrs. Talbot and Luther were home alone. It seemed a good time to talk to him about the one thing that worried her very little help.

"Have you noticed Jane lately?" she began. Luther looked up from his paper mildly surprised. "No," he answered. "She seems about as usual."

"She isn't. She's restless—she's miserable." "She's in love," Luther said, and went back to his paper, though that answered everything. "That's just it. She is in love. And he—that man—he doesn't want to marry her." Mrs. Talbot put it thus bluntly.



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Antiques May Revise Bible History

(United Press.) PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 12.—New light will be thrown on old Bible stories when scientists complete deciphering the hieroglyphics on antique statues recently discovered in Palestine, according to Dr. George B. Gordon, director of the University of Pennsylvania Museum, who has returned from a tour of the sites of expeditions operating in Mesopotamia, Egypt and Palestine.

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Among the relics being shipped from Egypt is the throne room of the Pharaohs. Jewels, mummies and mummy cases also are included. From Palestine Dr. Gordon shipped a basalt tablet, a battle monument, which is expected to throw light on the story of Exodus; Roman mosaic pavement, many small objects in bronze and a jar which was found filled with silver coins.

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Big Clearance AUCTION SALE

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At 12 O'clock Sharp

My farm consisting of 85 acres of choice land, 70 acres clear and in good state of cultivation, the rest under a small growth hard and soft wool. Well watered, close to churches, school. Also all my stock, crop and farming implements as follows:

STOCK—3 good horses age 1, 4 years, 1, 6 years, 1, 12 years, 10 head of cattle, 5 extra choice milch cows 1 to freshen December 26th, 1 to freshen January 1st, 3 cows in milk.

OROP—8 tons hay, quantity straw, 100 bus. oats, 100 bus. potatoes, 50 stooks wheat.

Also all my farm implements and all household furniture including dining room, kitchen and bed room furniture, one Enterprise Monarch range (new) and a lot of other articles not mentioned.

Sale positive. No reserve. Terms of farm at sale. Of stock 12 months on all sums over \$10.00, 6 per cent off for cash. If stormy will be held on the first fine day.

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Bruce F. Judson, Benton's Mills, 1 Yorkshire Boar 7 months.

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C. M. Arsenault, Abram's Village, 1 Hampshire Down ram yearling.

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Fred Godfrey, Suffolk, 1 Berkshire boar 8 months.

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In Re Estate Dorcas L. Gosbee

The undersigned Administrator of the Estate of Dorcas L. Gosbee late of Gladstone in King's County in Prince Edward Island, widow, hereby notice all persons having claims against said Estate to present the same duly attested to the undersigned at Murray River in King's County aforesaid at once, as the Estate is being closed.

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