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BREAK IN ROUTINE

By ELIZABETH LILLIAN HIGGINS.

"It is needless to say that I am disappointed—bitterly disappointed and grieved," spoke Almond Weare to his nephew, Walter Ridley, but there was more of severity in his tones than true pathos.

"I am sorry, uncle," was the earnest response, "but I must follow my duty as I see it."

"You see it through wrong glasses, then," declared Mr. Weare, stormily. "You are throwing away the chance of a lifetime. Hester Beale is ready to fall into your arms—wealth, social standing, family influence. I learn that it is in the power of her uncle, as the head of the great Timoar Steel company, to appoint you surgeon for the plant. Think of that—all your assistants to do your work, and a royal salary!"

"But I do not wish others to do my work," explained Walter, quietly, but with a latent force back of it that told. "I wish to do some good in the world. The people down at the old settlement mills have no physician. I am going among them."

"To starve, to get down to their debasing level, to be robbed and laughed at for your mistaken philanthropy!" snarled the old man, wrathfully. "And that girl, too—the daughter of that worthless old inventor, Darley. She's the attraction, I doubt not."

"Yes, uncle," confessed young Ridley, frankly. "Miss Darley is, indeed, the attraction. I love her—I shall always love her."

"Trapped you, eh!" sneered the uncle.

"Don't malign her, uncle," said Walter. "Her father's position was as high and honorable as your own, before the family with which you wish me to ally myself robbed him of his star invention. As to Bertha, she has become an angel of mercy among the poor operatives. She has cast her lot among them, not only from necessity but from choice. As to trapping me—

"Oh, Doctor Ridley, There's Been an Accident!"

Miss Darley refused my offer of marriage, distinctly and irrevocably, last evening."

They parted with that, those two who had been so companionable and harmonious until the proud, stern will of the selfish old tyro was opposed. Two days later Dr. Walter Ridley hung out his shingle at the settlement as a physician, in addition acquiring the barren honor of being chief surgeon of the old mills.

It was a cruel place, the great works where most of the labor in the finishing shops was done by children. The chief products were minor hardware novelties that required burnishing, lacquering, sorting and packing. Wherever machinery could be used it was employed. The great Timoar plant had about crushed out the smaller shops. The settlement factory was not making money, had not the capital to install modern machines—hence many an accident.

Doctor Ridley came face to face with Miss Darley that evening. She was passing along the street, her eyes fixed upon the plain little sign in his office window. She transferred her sweet glance to his face as he spoke to her. It was full of encouragement and approval.

"You have come among us, as you threatened," she spoke smilingly.

"As I longed for," corrected Walter. "It will be a blessed work," she said.

Then she placed her hand in his. Her beautiful eyes held his own in thrall for a moment and he thrilled. He noted her parted lips, her heaving bosom. There was a tension in that momentary silence.

She was as a being with a crystal window in her soul's abiding place, her mind a palace. His heart leaped to repeat the love tale she had listened to not twenty-four hours agone. But she had spoken in a clear, sisterly way. That rejection should be no barrier to companionship, hover her. He decided that. To know her, to be near her—there was more in that for his longing spirit than the adulation and adoration of a score of the mincing damsels of the Beale set.

Young Doctor Ridley counted up his small capital, calculated to a dollar, figured out what general practice he could depend upon and set at work on his mission of divine charity and usefulness. The needy and unfortunate knew that they were welcome to free consultation, attendance and even free medicine, and his office was soon overrun. It was, indeed, blessed work! He was cut off from all financial co-operation from his steely-hearted relative now, and his old-fashioned patients were fast dropping away from a physician who catered to "the coarser element," as they phrased it. The misery he saw and alleviated, however, the relief and joy he brought where there had been misery and pain, the true hearts of gold he discovered in the homes of the lowly and worthy, more than compensated him for his strong self-sacrifice.

Then one day a break in the routine—two thunderbolts, each devastating and vital. They came with a shock to Walter. His uncle had practically lost his entire fortune. A side issue of his great friends, the Beales, had failed, carrying down an army of credulous investors.

Walter went to his uncle and suggested what assistance and sympathy he might proffer, but the sullen old man rebuffed him. That very afternoon a barefooted, wild-eyed girl rushed into his office.

"Oh, Doctor Ridley!" she gasped, "there's been an accident. Miss Darley—" and fainted away.

Walter was at the works fast as his feet could carry him. He found Bertha, pale and disheveled, seated on a work bench near a dismantled machine. A dozen of the child workers surrounded her, frightened, weeping and solicitous for her welfare.

Bertha Darley had been a heroine. She had sprang to a falling shaft just in time to save half a dozen from being crushed and injured. She had fought a noble battle with the whirling monster of steel.

There were a dozen severe abrasions, and one crushed finger, which Walter attended to, ah, so tenderly! longing to kiss the poor lacerated hand. It would be two weeks before Bertha could resume her wonted tasks.

He called at the smaller quarters to which his uncle had betaken himself, but was refused admission. He heard that Mr. Weare was severely ill with a contagious disease, but he was not sent for.

Then Bertha was absent from home for two weeks. Her father professed ignorance of her whereabouts, but one day Walter received a telephone call from his uncle.

He found Mr. Weare recovered from his illness, a new, softer light in his old eyes.

"Walter," he spoke, "I should have died but for the gentle ministrations of a volunteer nurse, whose true identity I did not know until an hour since. I have changed my mind as to the fleeting friends of this uncertain world. I wish to realize upon what little I have left, and make a new home with you down at the settlement, where heart and home are not mere hollow words."

"And this nurse?" asked Walter.

She appeared as he spoke—Bertha, and in her beautiful eyes he saw a new light—the love glow of a woman who had a right now to accept his honest love.

And two days later Walter Ridley placed on her dear crushed finger an engagement ring.

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CHILDREN AN AWFUL TRIAL

Especially When They Take After Father, Except, of Course, a Few Good Traits.

"Yes," said Mrs. Jenks, "on the whole, Freddy and Katie take after their father. Of course Katie gets her big brown eyes from me, and Freddy his cute little rosebud mouth—the Jenkses all have ungainly features—but otherwise they're their father's children.

"Of course, though, Freddy's scholarly tendencies come from my side of the family. I always was among the foremost in my class at school. And Katie absolutely cannot be made to vary a hair's breadth from the truth. That trait, I suppose, she does get from me—that and her ability to overlook the faults of others, and her modesty. She's so neat and orderly, too. If there's one thing I never could tolerate, it's disorderliness. Mr. Jenks used to be so careless about throwing things around that he nearly drove me wild.

"Freddy's teacher says he shows great promise in his piano study. His father, Mr. Jenks, used to teach violin, you know; but I think Freddy inherits his talent from a cousin of mine, who played the mandolin. He couldn't read notes, but really he was a virtuoso.

"Katie seems real handy with needle and thread, just as I was. Why, I could make doll dresses when I was four. You would die laughing to see how clumsy Mr. Jenks is when he mends his socks. Katie's so industrious—she resembles me in that. Mr. Jenks is really fearfully lazy. He grumbles because he has to cook breakfast for himself and the children.

"On the whole, though, I think they resemble their father. They're so irritable at times when things don't go smoothly, just as he is. And Freddy's deceitful occasionally, and he makes the most horrid faces. I've caught him stealing jam, too. Of course, as I said, some of their good qualities they inherit from my side of the family, but mostly they take after Mr. Jenks. Children are an awful trial."—Donald A. Kahn, in Judge.

Many English Words in German.

Like the word "sport" and many other English words for which the German language has no adequate terms, the word "strike" has become one of common usage in Germany. "Start, finish, mutiny, trick, snob, smart, partner, detective, picnic, film, handicap and hundreds of other words," says a letter on the subject, "are used in their original form, with not a letter changed. Panic has been made into 'panik' and check into 'scheck,' record is 'rekord' when the German uses the word, and strike, in order to preserve the proper pronunciation, is written 'streik.' These words look English enough when you see them printed, but when you hear them you involuntarily think of the 'English spoken here' signs."

Not Guaranteed to Be Fresh.

A man "witched" a well for the city of Emporia, and the well was drilled at the point where the stick pointed down. The drilling was done at the city's expense. The water was found at a depth of several hundred feet, and proved to be very salt. The city is out about $500.—Kansas City Star.

His Reformation.

Uplifter—Aren't you ashamed to ask for money?

Weary Willie—I got six months for taking it without asking.

REAL ESTATE EXCHANGE

Of WHITEHEAD & MITCHELL

The following is a partial list of Farms, City and Village Lots, and Real Estate generally which we have for sale. As our list is constantly changing, we request that parties will write us if they do not see what they want in this list.

No. 1.
Fine residence practically new, 7 rooms, bath, toilet, furnace, electric light, lot 112 ft. front, 300 ft. deep, good barn, city water, 3 blocks to electric. Terms to suit.

No. 2.
Vacant lot in Buell addition fronting on Woodward and electric. Fine building site cheap.

No. 4.
Vacant lot on Willow avenue, 100 ft. front, 300 ft. deep, city water, fine lot of berries.

No. 5.
One thousand dollars cash and the balance on easy terms will buy 6 acres of excellent land on electric in Royal Oak village. Excellent for platting. 1,200 berries, 34 grapes, pretty little lake from which $250 worth of ice was harvested last season, ten cents and forty minutes to city hall, Detroit. Don't delay.

No. 6.
Here it is! Nine-room two-story cottage just finished, in fine location, lot 56x133, bath, toilet, furnace, electric light, five minutes walk from electric, good neighborhood, high and dry, $2,600. There now!

No. 7.
Delightful Maple avenue residence, 10 rooms, bath, toilet, furnace, electric light, 140 ft. front, 206 ft. deep, 3 blocks from electric, fine locality, price right and terms easy.

No. 8.
Eight rooms, 1 1-2 story cottage, hot water heater, bath, toilet, hot and cold water, barn, lot 40x103, two blocks from electric and $2,600 cash will buy it.

No. 9.
Pine Lake cottage, 1 1-2 story, 4 rooms, lot 90x150, with good barn, one of the finest locations on this most beautiful portion of the lake region of Oakland county. Fine bathing, boating and fishing. Just the place to get rid of that tired feeling and patch up those nerves. Wait a minute, here's the price that will make you think it just fits your pocketbook. Go down in your jeans and buy it for $1,500.

No. 10.
Two and one-half story residence on Maple avenue, 12 rooms, furnace, city water, good barn, electric light, fine shade, about half an acre of land with fruit and the desirable qualities of one of the finest homes in Birmingham. Two blocks from electric. Look it over, come across with a reasonable offer for cash and you'll see us help you get it.

No. 11.
Seven-room bungalow, latest improved, bath, toilet, furnace, hot and cold water, electric light, good big lot 50x180, nice barn, sewer, no better locality in town, 2 blocks from electric, 2 blocks from school, nice, new, cozy home for $3,800. Take it away on easy terms and be happy.

No. 13.
Modern two-story frame dwelling with all the conveniences in Rochester, Mich., lot 60x120 with good barn, in good residence portion, buildings insured for $2,000, three blocks from electric, and $1,100 above the mortgage will buy it.

No. 14.
Now listen. Prettiest little farm in seven states. Just outside village of Birmingham, 19 acres, 3 blocks from electric, 1 acre of berries, 3 buildings including barn, chicken house and fine, modern 7-room dwelling, with city water and all conveniences such as bath, toilet, furnace, electric light. Ideal place for city man with ideas regarding a little farm on the side. And we can assure you that the price and terms won't frighten you if you mean business. No? Well; you just ask Whitehead and see.

No. 15.
Here's another. House and store in pleasant little country village three miles from electric. An acre and a quarter of good land. Six room two-story house with cellar, well, cistern, and barn; all in good shape. Fine chance for some one with small means, to make a good living and something besides in a country trade in rich farming community, and the terms are so easy that they won't worry you and the price is only $1,600. Just scrape together enough to buy a small general stock and there you are.

No. 16.
Right in the central part of the village and valuable for business or residence. Lot 45x80, good comfortable, old-fashioned house, will rent for $10 per month, but bless your heart, the land without any house at all is worth more than they are asking for it. If you're from Missouri, you are just the fellow we want. Come on and we'll show you.

No. 17.
Lot in Campbell's sub-division, 60x120, new house, nice neighborhood, city water, furnace, etc., $2,300. Terms so easy that you can't help pay for it out of your rent, it is more than rent would come to. Then you would soon have a home of your own.

No. 19.
Good house and lot on Highland avenue in the bustling village of Highland Park, house insured for 1,500. Will exchange for small farm property or $2,600 will buy it.

No. 20.
Farm of 147 acres in Oakland township, 125 cleared, 15 acres oak timber, house and barn, price $45 per acre, one-half cash, balance on easy terms.

No. 21.
Good farm of 154 acres in Orion township, 70 acres under plow and balance in young growing timber, two miles from Orion village, half mile from D. U. R. house and barn, all kinds of soil. Will exchange for house and lot in Royal Oak or Birmingham, or will sell for $45 per acre on easy terms.

No. 22.
Good cotage on Watkins street, full basement, barn, chicken house, lot 60x173, some fruit trees, wants to sell bad enough to let it go for $1,500.

No. 23.
Fine new brick house, nine rooms on large lot on Pierce street. Bath, toilet, furnace, electric lights, cement walk, two blocks from electric, $2,700 above little mortgage, will land it and you'll have a home as good as any of them.

No. 24.
Twenty-five acre farm, 1 1-2 miles from Rochester electric, small house, barn, two sheds, excellent land in high state of cultivation, easy terms, $3,000.

No. 26.
Here's another $2,500 home on Willits near electric, eighty feet front and 103 deep, seven room house, good cellar, beautiful maples shade the premises, and it is true that you couldn't build the house for the price asked. One of the many good things in our list, if not the best.

No. 27.
Forty acres on D. U. R., gravelly loam, good natural drainage, reven fine building sites, flowing well can be obtained where desirable, 17 miles from Detroit, just the place for subdividing into the small farms every one is crazy about just now, and $200 per acre will buy it if you come quick with cash.

No. 28.
Bully little farm of 45 acres, 2 acres timber, 4 acres orchard, 1 1-2 miles from electric, good house and barn, delightful shady location, right among the high priced ones and $125 per acre with small payment cash and balance on land contract if desired. Think it over.

No. 29.
Here's a little farm for your life; 25 acres, extremely fertile garden soil, 2 acres strawberries in bearing, 9-room, 2-story brick house improved, (every convenience), all necessary outbuildings, new green-house, school and church within ten minutes walk, beautiful avenues of maples, one mile from electric. You can't find fault with this lovely place and you won't quarrel over the price when you once go over the premises.

No. 30.
Yep; here's your chicken farm! seven and one-half acres on electric about 40 miles from Detroit, 10 room house, bath, toilet, furnace, grate, electric lights, flowing well, barn, chicken houses, 60 fine fruit trees just coming into bearing and $5,000 will buy it.

No. 31.
Ten minutes walk from electric, cement walk from Woodward, 3 1-2 acres with small buildings, (you would want to build anynow, and the buildings are not considered in the price,) just outside village limits, finest location, $3,000.

No. 32.
Pretty little place half mile outside the village on electric, fine grounds, best example of landscape gardening with trees, shrubs, etc., 7 1-2 acres right among the high priced Bloomfield Hills district, with River Rouge bordering the premises.

No. 33.
Five acres vacant on Willow avenue, just outside corporation, 15 minutes walk from car, cement walk, fine for platting, will sell all for $600 per acre or any part of it to suit. Will sell lots 60x135 from $2.00 per front foot up, according to location.

No. 34.
Excellent farm of 160 acres on new State road, 20 acres orchard, 15 acres timber, buildings insured for $5,000, only 3 1-2 miles from electric, will sell eighty acres without buildings separately if desired. Farms in this locality have sold within the past six months for $300 per acre cash, but you can buy this one for much less.

No. 37.
Now, here's a farm for $75 per acre and of course you will say it must be a poor one to sell for that, in these times of high prices. Now just to show you how easily you can be mistaken, listen to this: One hundred and sixty acres, fine, productive land in good locality with comfortable buildings, barns rebuilt and a mile of new wire fences, 2 miles from electric and nice country village, 80 acres heavy loam and 80 lighter sandy loam. Pretty little creek runs through the lovely meadows. There; we knew you would be interested. Detroit 15 miles.

No. 39.
If you could hear of a good farm of about 70 acres for $2,500 you'd sit up and begin to reach for things, what? Well, here you are: 10 acres orchard, fair farm house, new cement barn, 1,000 peaches, rolling land, large pit of first class gravel, a little over a mile from electric. Huh! That gravel pit will pay for the whole outfit in two years. Fact.

No. 40.
Southfield farm of 96 acres, new 8-room house, 2 barns and chicken house; all buildings in first class shape, stream runs through middle of farm, 2 acres orchard, no waste land, 3 miles from electric, $90 per acre or will exchange for Birmingham improved.

No. 43.
Sixteen acres in high state of cultivation, good 9-room house which needs but little expenditure to make modern improved, barn and chicken house, wire fences, good drainage, pretty little wood lot six acres, fine old maple, walnut, elm, etc., Birmingham one mile, quarter mile to little River Rouge, ten minutes (auto) to electric. The price is—say, we won't tell you right out in public. If we did everybody would want it at once; but it's right. What? is that so? Well, now you just ask Whitehead.

No. 44.
Seven-room bungalow, vitrified brick veneer, 1 1-2 stories, toilet, bath, Peninsular furnace with hot-water coil, city water, electric light, Cabot shingle stain, all new and up-to-the-minute in every particular, first class construction of A1 material throughout and located in the new Birmingham Heights, 1-2 block from electric on Woodward.

No. 45.
A bully good Troy farm of 120 acres lying on both sides of the Flint line electric, 8-room house in fine shape and five other ample and first class buildings, flowing well furnishes enough water to supply a dozen such farms, best new Page wire fences, 6 acres good orchard, cow barn for 32 head with cement floor and stanchions, school 10 rods, churches and stores 1 mile, 17 acres beautiful woods, hickory and walnut, no waste land, no foul seed, price is low enough to be very attractive and 25 per cent of purchase price will swing it.

No. 46.
Modern two-story home in the very best residence portion of the village, about 1 1-2 acres of land, 13 rooms, 2 toilets, bath, furnace, barn, fruit, everything to make it comfortable and convenient, all buildings comparatively new. Will exchange for good farm of 100 acres or more, within a mile or two of the electric, either line, or will sell for $7,000 on easy terms.

No. 47.
St. Clair Lake property, 300X300, sheet piling just put in, 65 fine shade trees, buildings, ice house, boat-house with water channel, fish houses, tool shed, building worth $2,000, finest place along the shore for summer resting place. Go and see it and then submit offer.

No. 48
Two story frame dwelling, modern in every particular; bath, toilet, furnace, electric light; built 1911; finished in natural oak; good shade, fine shrubbery; two blocks from electric, in best residence section; lot 88x90; $4,000, terms easy and—well, we dassent print it. Just ask Whitehead.

No. 49
Fine farm of 120 acres just over the county line in Redford township, less than a mile from electric, nine miles from Detroit; 12 acres orchard; three buildings; ten room house; rich soil, well drained, good wire fences. Would be cheap at $200 an acre, but—whisper! $125 per acre will buy it. Now don't blame us if this is sold when you get around to ask about it.

No. 50
Thirteen hundred dollars cash will buy a nice home a block from the electric; two stories, eight rooms, bath, toilet, furnace, electric lights; barn, 13x24, with cement floor; lot 50x124; good residence neighborhood. The balance of the purchase price can be paid in instalments on long time and easy terms. You couldn't do better than to investigate this.

No. 51
It seems hardly probable, but it is barely possible that you did not see anything in this column to suit you. Well, listen! Just come and pay $25 dollars down and select your lot from those not already sold in Birmingham Heights, and pay the balance in monthly payments on the easiest terms you could ask. City water, electric lights, cement walks, and the most desirable building sites in Beautiful Birmingham. Then build a house to suit your own tastes and be happy. Come on! We'll help you!

No. 52.
One of the very best and most productive farms in this locality. 150 acres; well fenced, no waste land, 5 buildings, 2 houses, larger residence ten rooms, good road, only forty rods from electric, entire farm under high state of cultivation, excellent drainage. 10 miles from Detroit, 2 1-2 from Birmingham. If you want one of the best and cheapest bargains on our list, just ask about this number.

No. 53.
Two-story, modern, frame cottage with barn. All new and every convenience. Lot 42x134, two blocks from electric in fine neighborhood, cement walk, fine shade, $2,750.

No. 54.
Two-story, frame, modern, new and complete with every convenience, nine rooms, insured for $2,000, lot 65x170 on north side of one of our best residence streets, and you can buy it on land contract for $4,000 with small payment down and balance on easy monthly payments.

No. 55.
Eighty acre farm 2 1-2 miles from electric, sandy loam, no buildings, well fenced, fine springs, no waste, good neighborhood, under good state of cultivation. Terms easy, price $65.00 per acre.

No. 56.
Two story, eleven rooms, bath, toilet, furnace, electric light, lot 75x120, six blocks from electric, 2 porches, fine view, good barn, will trade for smaller place in Birmingham, or sell for $3,000 cash.

No. 57.
Fine farm of eighty acres, 4 buildings, 10 room house, 10 acres fine apple orchard, two creeks never-failing spring water, 1 1-2 miles from thriving village, 6 miles from Birmingham, 2 1-8 miles from electric. Well equipped for stock or dairy farming, nothing better on our list for the price and enough cash to secure will get it at $75.00 per acre.

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