# M. Clam Finds American Women a Puzzling Problem

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American problems, and in attempting an illustration, presents a hitherto unpublished version of the Roosevelt-Storer incident.)

WASHINGTON, U. S., December 29 .- Many things in these United States cause astonishment to one journalist in France. It is thrice difficult to comprehend all of these things at the one time. Everything is so shall I judge of them with the justice. Yet I shall tell my countrymen the friends in the France to remember that United States, like everything more. She does not wait! always it is hurry, hurry, to overtake the lie. The lie travel by automobile; the truth follow quickly. The lie that abandons automobile and jumps to that airship; the truth follows, breathing more hard. the lie follows to wireless telegraphy; the truth gasps, and throws up the hands!

I too am ready to gasp, and throw up the hands! Yet I must be calm! .... There are problems ....

bleu! This is one terrible problem. is yesterday the doll, today the divor-Those women take all the money for themselves, yet cry for more! Always in America is everything. The manshut the mouth and burry to make the and give me the light." money, very good! But if he will try to tell his wife something, it is the divorce for intolerable cruelty and the grand inability to make enough money

out fatigue all night after the spending strange illness. Those women must avoid the nervous work at home. So opens that incident always again, they have the good health and grow taller and bolder every day.

women, those terrible tall girld At Ireland. Keep murn!" friend M. Fairbanks, one becaused take-I shall do exerything You touch me many gro!! things, Mile, the Vationa".

Clam, and I'll pur you wise?"

a dog. I am again furlous ... has I Marta, but have care." gers, scorpions; sepulchers!

. . . one husband, yet each woman has the trust a woman?" vote. Now they pass the law against must make the money for those wives. yet he must wash the dishes also! The new law will soon pass making the trial marriages for women, the life marrige for men! Those Mormons has gan the numerous wife habit with the grand pleasure, but that retribution is terrible, One Mormon man; M. Smoot, is a senator in Washington. Those women try hard to put him back to the Utah, so that a woman shall be the Senator. But all men in the Senate say to their wives: "My God, we cannot punish M. Smoot so much! Have pity!"

In Washington life is not so bad. There is no vote for women. Those men are glad to go without the vote if those women will not agitate for it. I have seen here many men who are the cooks, the laundries, the nurses: but all is not lost. Those women of the high world make but little disturbance to the public. They remain always in their clubs, smoking, drinking and debating those problems of clothes, race suicide, allmony, trial marriage, bridge whist, and one mysterious thing called poker. In those clubs no men are seen. No one knows what these women will decide. Yet fear is wide-spread among the men, structions. Why does M. Roosevelt Already the highball, the cigarette, write letters to my wife? It is this the dinner down town, the late cab. the latch key-they have been seized it three years after." by those women. What shall be the

journalist, concludes the American nothing! Those women's clubs and by me woman is one of the most puzzling of great convention decide everything for Marigreat convention decide everything for everybody. Each year there is one great convention, called the Daughters please? I have a few letters more.... of the Annual Revolution. After those clubs have discussed the problems that did not write for publication. We shall Annual Revolution considers them, and not judge from the private letters but decides for everybody. Those meet- from speeches. As M. Roosevelt he ings of the Annual Revolution are ter- asked the Pope to make the Cardinrible, because of the importance, al. As the President, he punished Those women, quarrel, fight the duel, himself severely for such interference and make riots. The police dare not Maria's husband is a diplomat, yet he fast, so quickly disappearing! How look inside-it is the law! For one tells the truth! Bah! If those dipweek the fighting goes on with wild, lomats always tell the truth, why are fury. It is the death struggle. At the truth, as it appears to me. I beg my last, those ambulances carry away those who are unconscious on dead the truth moves more swiftly in these Those victors crawl to the outside, and their husbands take them home

and nurse them again to life. Then, I think Congress passes those laws that are approved by the Annual Revolution. If it does not, always it wishes it had.

M. Roosevelt, he is the hope of all men in this terrible crisis. These women do not pay attention to M. Let us be patient under that terrible Roosevelt. If they are afraid, I do not see the fear. M. Roosevelt talks to all people of the duties of women He sees clearly the calamity that What, for the illustration, shall I comes to all men if these women are say of those American women? Sacre paramount. Yet M. Roosevelt is not the harebrain, the maniac. He will Those women are as everything more not make the open sex war-it is too in America-they are so quick! I late! He will use the diplomacy. cannot understand those women. It With discretion most admirable, he says to those women's clubs:" Back cee, tomorrow the fourth husband, to the fireside! Save the nation by raising large families, dear ladies!"

The reply: "Bah! What does M they talk of the clothes. The woman Roosevell know of our problems. He is the mere man! It is the quality bah! He is nothing! If he will keep not the quantity! .... Cut the cards

. . . In the diplomacy those women of America are thrice powerful, Until they have secured the full control of quickly. If the husband disobeys the government which comes quickly, the wife, those people call him the they work through the husband. But monster. If he obeys her, he is called in one year or two, those Ambassadors the shrimp. Always it is worse for will all be women. These United States are excited over the quarrel Those women in America are very between M. Roosevelt and Maria, the tall, very strong. They can dance with- Ambassadress to Vienna. All those letters on M. Roosevelt'e side have of money all day. Yet one dreadful been published. Maria still has a few, illness all women if they do work in When that quarrel is not furious Mathe house. It is the nervous malady, ria publishes one more letter, and that Only one cure has been found for that excitement is refreshing. What is in those letters to come? Ah! No one wear out the nerves by shopping. If knows but M. Roosevelt-and Maria, they do not, they are lost. All women M. Roosevelt, he is ready to call it

In the first letter M. Roosevelt sald: "Dear Maria: Go and tell the Pope I am intimidated by those great to make quickly one cardinal of Mgr.

everywhere they are so bold! There shall see the Pope. Please, openso been granted to the louise of Vall. Adis no escape if they see the man first. make us the envoys to that welding in ams & Co. by the government of Soil lem River. Will deal with owners Rising Sun Restaurant. At one reception given by my dear Spain, Rellamy cannot make the mis- vador for the operation of the line head! I was furlous. but always my friend Princess Whisperinskie the Pacific Mail Has Locwes then polite. With exquisite sarrasm I said. Blinbha. She has that great pull at ports,

Again the President writes: "Dear The reply: 'Oh, you follow me Mr Marin: Something tells me Bollamy will make the corking Ambasesdor. Follow her? For what shall I follow He knows nothing and he has the her? Although she doss put me like smart wife. Get that red hat quickly

remember it is the America! In the The reply. "Dear Theodore: I have Prance I should look for her brother so n the Pope. He says: How many to kill him instantly in the dust. Mad. Cardinals does M. Roosevelt want? ly I look for her brother. When I find I do not understand. I ask Cartinal him, we take the highball together, at. Merry Del Val. He says: "One other the style American. Yet I think day, waters has acked for one other cardinal for M. Roosevett! All is confusion! Those terrible reporters follow In the Utah State many women have me! Oh. Theodorn how could you

M. Roovevelt's third letter: 'Dear housework for women. The husband Maria: Somebady does not keep mum! read those ellippings! I did not tell you to see the Pope! Avoid those terrible reporters! Get back my letters from Rampolla, if I wrote any! But I never did write any! If Bellamy obeys the instructions again, he will have to resign instantly."

> The reply was: "Dear Theodore: I ald nothing! The Pope did all the talking! He told those terirble reporters everything? Why did you trust that woman? Who is she?" M. Roosevelt's fourth letter: Maria: You are the marplot! Bellamy has followed instructions again. Why do you permit this? Be'lamy must re-

M. Roosevelt's first cablegram, the same day: "Maria's Husband, Vienna; Please resign instantly! Any excuse will do."

M. Roosevelt's a cond cablegram, the same day: "Maria": husband, Vlenna: Never mind resignation. It is not quick. I dismiss you now, instantly Maria, too is dismissed.

These letters make great excitement in America. Maria's husband says: "I was the dunce. I followed instructlone niways. But my wife, Maria, she is smart. She did not follow the inwhich bolls my blood when I think of

M. Roosevelt says: tiemanly to publish the private letters When I arrive in Washington I look which I never wrote to Maria. This

(M. Clam, the renowned Parislan semblage, Bah! It is to laugh! It is not diplomatic enough to be trusted

Maria says: "We created a Roose velt. Can we not do with him as we Some people say: diplomats?"

Other people say: "It is the woman She is to blame. Those women spoll everything. M. Roosevelt is to be pitied, not blamed. How could be know Maria would betray him to those reporters? Yet we agree to this: Maria's husband was one ass."

I, too, agree that Maria's husband is the goat who cannot escape. But for the rest ... It is not proper to judge until all those letters are published. suspense.

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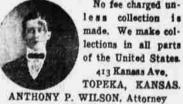
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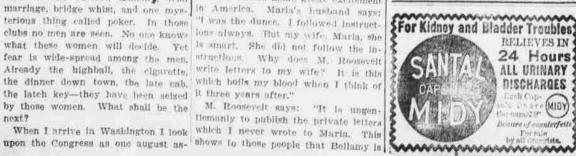
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