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## Local News

Mrs. Stratus of Detroit is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Rice.

Mrs. William Holmes of Novi was visiting friends here Saturday last.

Mrs. Pauline Vogt returned Monday from a visit with friends in Detroit.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Edwards entertained Mr. and Mrs. Fred Follette of Detroit last Sunday.

The North Farmington auxiliary will meet at the Chas. Halsted home on Tuesday, May 18th for supper.

Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Durant and children of Detroit spent Sunday at the home of their uncle, G. C. Collins.

Pastor Stevenson delivered a very appropriate sermon in honor of "Mother's day" at the M. E. Church last Sunday morning at the usual service hour.

Professor and Mrs. Clyde S. Price are each receiving visits from their mothers this week. Mrs. E. L. Price of Whitehall and Mrs. W. A. Nash of Allegan being guests at the Price home.

A Poor Tribute.  
"This fellow evidently doesn't think much of our fountain pen."

"Why, he sends us that testimonial we asked for."  
"Yes, written on a typewriter."—Kansas City Journal.

## The Farmington Enterprise

J. A. Price, Editor

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From the state capital comes the cheering information that taxes are to be higher than ever this year.

Member when we used to haul supplies and provisions by wagon across from the steam road at Novi?

The graduates in their essays will doubtless shortly enlighten us concerning the actual cause of the European war.

Farmington's wiled streets are attracting favorable attention and comment, not only at home, but in other towns as well.

And there will always be some difference of opinion as to which side was right in the strike. It takes just that difference to make up a world.

Like a whole lot of other things, we never realized what a nice thing hourly car service was until it was put out of commission Thursday morning.

The "drys" won a clever victory in Wayne county this week, when "dead" bonds were approved by the Township board for the sale of liquor just outside Northville at Mead's Mill. The official announcement has been made that the owner of the bonds merely had them approved to forestall the action of others in opening a drink emporium. Mead's Mill will certainly remain in the "dry" column.

Ex-President Wm. H. Taft expressed his confidence in President Wilson's ability to handle the Lusitania situation. That confidence is not misplaced, and is enjoyed by the majority of the citizens of this country. The incident is undoubtedly the most serious that the war has looked upon this country, and we are indeed fortunate in having so cool and competent a man at the head of the affairs of state.

New crepe gowns, house dresses, and aprons at the Grace Store.

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## Constipation, if Neglected, Causes Serious Illness

Constipation, if neglected, leads to almost innumerable complications affecting the general health. Many cases of typhoid fever, appendicitis and other severe diseases are traceable to prolonged clogging of the bowels. Regarding the effects of constipation, C. E. Ayers, 6 Sabia St., Montpelier, Vt., says: "I was afflicted with constipation and biliousness for so long I would become unconscious. I have been found in that condition many times. Physicians did not seem to be able to do me any good. I would come weak and for days at a time could do no work. Not long ago I got a box of Dr. Miles' Laxative Tablets, and after using them found I had never tried anything that acted in such a mild and effective manner. I believe I have at last found the remedy that suits my case."

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## A Story of Heredity

By EUNICE BLAKE

Mrs. Waterbury employed a maid who was not only comely, but there was about her an air of one of the manner born. So impressed was the lady with the belief that Silvia had good blood in her veins that she asked the girl to tell her something about her origin. Silvia refused.

"Where did you spend your childhood?" asked Mrs. Waterbury. "I cannot tell you," was the reply, while Silvia hung her head. "Don't you remember your parents?" "I do not."

"How long have you been in service?"

"Two years." Mrs. Waterbury gave up trying to find her maid's antecedents, but she was not convinced that she had been born a servant. Silvia's case interested her the more because she reminded her of a woman she had met when she was entering society. This Mrs. Marshall had been at the time a woman of forty and had become a social leader from the fact of a certain courtliness there was about her.

What it was in the servant that reminded her of the high bred woman Mrs. Waterbury could not tell. Mrs. Marshall had been socially prominent a quarter of a century before. Mrs. Waterbury, who was twenty years her junior, had not been intimate with her and had seen her only at certain functions.

Silvia came to be an important person to her employer other than as a servant. Arthur Waterbury, the latter's son, came home from college and had not been in the house a day before his mother noticed that he had become engrossed with her maid. Arthur struggled against the passion till withholding expression of it became unbearable, then confessed it to Silvia. His mother overheard him doing so.

"You were not born a servant," said Arthur. "No such high bred manner could come from a plebeian; it is heredity."

"I am a servant and nothing else," Silvia replied.

"Whatever you are I cannot help loving you. I do love you, and you shall be my wife."

"I will not be your wife, because to marry me would deprive you of the social position which is your right. You would always be ashamed of me, and I would drag you down."

Mrs. Waterbury heard no more. She said nothing to her son about what she had overheard, but the next day did all she could to save her son from a disillusion. She sent the girl away and did not tell Arthur where she had gone.

Several months passed. Mrs. Waterbury saw that her son was not the same man he had been before he came home from college. Ambition had left him; he took no interest in anything. He had experienced a grand passion, and the breaking with his mate had blighted his life.

Then came a coincidence—a chain of coincidences if it were more coincidences there would be no stories.

Dr. Stowell, Mrs. Waterbury's family physician, one day drove up to her house, ring and was admitted.

"Why, doctor," said the lady, "what brings you? We are all well here. Surely you must have called socially and are welcome socially."

"I have called to tell you of a singular happening."

"Let me hear it."

"You remember the pretty maid you had here for a time. I have often seen her here and noticed how little like a servant she appeared—that ladylike air."

"Yes, we all noticed that." Interrupted the lady somewhat impatiently.

"Well, on leaving you she at once found a position in a family I also attended professionally. She is ill, and I was called in to treat her. In applying a hot poultice between her shoulder blades I noticed a birthmark shaped something like a Maltese cross. I had reason to remember that birthmark, for I had attended the mother of the child who bore it eighteen years before under peculiar circumstances. The woman was the daughter of a social leader, and I had not heard that she had been married, though I was afterward furnished with proof that she was. At any rate, the acquaintance was secret."

"The name of this family, doctor?" Mrs. Waterbury broke in.

"Marshall."

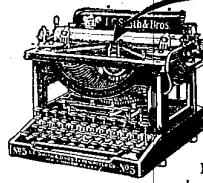
"Marshall! Do you mean to tell me that Silvia is the granddaughter of Mrs. James Osgood Marshall, who founded society twenty-five years ago?"

"I do. Julia Marshall, the daughter, married clandestinely. There was trouble in the family, and her mother withdrew from society. Julia's marriage was never published. The child was consigned to a foundlings' home and was lost to her parents, both of whom died soon after she was born."

When Silvia recovered her health she was removed to the house of her former mistress not as a servant, but as the betrothed of Arthur Waterbury.

Her identity was established and she came into possession of certain property that had been left her, but could not be paid since no trace of her could be found.

Since Mrs. Waterbury noticed in her daughter-in-law the manner of a woman she had not herself seen in more than twenty years—she has become a strong believer in heredity.



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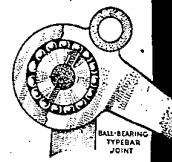
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