

The Middle Ground
By MARION RUBINCAMMISUNDERSTANDING
Chapter 63

But Claire advoided the subject of Jim Clarke. All she would say was—"Jim is perfectly all right. Luther had no reason to be jealous of him."

Instinctively, her fingers went to a great sapphire ring she was wearing, a ring Mrs. Talbot had not seen before, a ring obviously too expensive for Luther to have afforded.

It was a sign of the growing cleverness of the older woman, that she noticed that slight action of Claire's. Ordinarily it would have meant nothing. Now she connected the thought in Claire's brain that unconsciously sent her hand to touch the ring Jim had given her.

With this knowledge in her mind, Mrs. Talbot began again.

"It seems to me that if Luther objected to him, with or without reason, the least you could do would be to not to see him."

Claire pouted.

Jim had meant a lot to her. He had given her presents, pretty things she adored; he had taken her off for long rides in his motor, and good naturally, had driven her around town in the afternoons while she went shopping or calling. She liked to hear the soft purr of the engine, it sounded like a gigantic, contented kitten while they waited for the traffic block to break. She liked to be in the car when the traffic policemen at the big cross streets touched their caps and saluted George by name—that made her feel enormously important.

And she liked to see the long, low motor waiting outside the shop, and to have Jim stand around making amusing comments while she tried on hats or held up her pretty hand for the attendant to fit a glove. The sales girls were always so much more respectful to her when Jim was along; they fairly fluttered about him as well as herself, and brought out all their prettiest things, showing them to him first and asking his criticism, and smiling respectful appreciation of his witticisms.

And Claire liked to say languidly, when she had seen everything there was on display, and made her purchases—

"Yes, I'll take it with me. Just have it carried out to the car, will you?"

She thought that marrying Luther meant giving up this delight. For it was not only luxurious and pleasant to have this good looking man go about with her, it also meant more than his companionship. He was sure to make her a present of some of the pretty trifles she spent her afternoon selecting. And he took her to tea at one of the usual smart places where the theatrical folk gathered, and where there invariably fell into a delightful party of friends.

Then there was an hour or two hours of tea, and talk, and cigarettes, gossip

Heart Problems

Dear Mrs. Thompson: I kept company with a young man for about four months until finally he asked me whether I would marry him. I told him that I did not like him well enough to marry and besides I could not consider marriage for at least two years and would remain as a friend.

A short time afterward he left this city and I heard from him several times, but did not answer. About a week ago I met him at a New Year's party and he asked me whether I would answer his letters if he wrote to me.

Do you think I should correspond with the young man? My feelings toward him have not changed.

R. G. S.
If you promised the young man you would write to him I think you should do so two or three times. But if you did not give your promise when he asked you I would not advise you to write. It is useless to encourage him in any way, feeling as you do.

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With the American valuation plan, A copy of the resolution will be forwarded to the Indiana representatives in Washington.

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