

# Money to Burn

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### THE STORY

Elmer Butterworth, miser, dies suddenly leaving his fortune of more than a million to Elmer Clarke, nephew. Before his death Elmer arranged for payment with interest of \$40,000 which he had advanced a man out of forty years before. Unknown to Elmer, his sweetheart, Nellie Cathcart, book teler, is heiress of the wealthy man. Colorado Charley, crook, and his partner, Mae, plan to pluck Elmer. Posing as a reporter named Doris Gatewood, Mae calls on Elmer. Elmer is a candidate for school trustee. Nellie spots Doris as an adventuress. Elmer goes to Los Angeles and visits Doris and her "brother." Returning home, Elmer finds Nellie knows all about his visit.

### CHAPTER IX

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That night Nellie sent a telegram to the editor of the American Weekly in New York, asking if their Los Angeles staff correspondent was Miss Doris Gatewood, and giving her address which in the form of an anonymous letter had reached her that morning. She requested an answer collect.

She had it early next morning. "I thought so," Nellie soliloquized. "Only another buzzard gathering for the feast. Well, Elmer might as well learn about women from her. I wonder if she's an alimony bound or just a plain swindler. Well, a letter to the chief of police of Los Angeles, on the bank stationery, will receive prompt attention."

Nellie wrote the letter. Three days later she had her answer. It ran as follows:

"Dear Miss Cathcart:

"In response to your interesting letter of recent date:

"The circumstances under which the lady in question made the acquaintance of your friend appeared to me to present ample ground for suspicion—particularly in view of the fact that the gentleman has a considerable fortune."

"I therefore sent one of my most reliable men to investigate.

"He reports that the house at the address you name is inhabited by a notorious bunco steerer, known to the police all over the country as Colorado Charley. There is a young woman living there with him who passes as his sister, but who is an accomplice of his. She has a police record as the most accomplished come-on in the business, and is undoubtedly the person to whom you refer.

"We will keep them under surveillance. Meanwhile, if you should have any further information of importance to communicate to us, we shall be glad to co-operate with you.

"In closing, may I suggest that you do nothing to indicate to the young man that he is playing with fire? If we give this calf more rope we may be enabled to get him into the corral and earmark him.

"Very truly yours,

"J. Fitzgerald,

"Acting Captain of Detectives."

"When Elmer called at the bank to sign the deed to his house and lot, he noted that the deed ran to Nellie Cathcart, an unmarried woman. "Hello," he murmured, "I see the buyer is sliding his identity by using you as a dummy. Why all the secrecy, Nellie?"

"No secrecy at all," Nellie replied demurely. "I am the buyer."

Elmer scratched his ear in perplexity. "What do you want of the property?" he demanded presently.

"It's a good buy, Elmer. I think I can sell it for about two thousand dollars profit in a year's time."

"Are you going to move into the house yourself?"

"No, Elmer. I'm going to rent it."

"Well, suppose you rent it to me for the present. It's all furnished with my furniture, and I'll be far more comfortable there than in that rat trap of a Palace hotel."

"The rental will be seventy-five dollars a month, Elmer."

"You're a highway robber!"

There fell a silence while they looked at each other. Then: "How goes your fight for school trustee, dear?" Nellie asked.

"It's a fight—and I'm fighting. That's all I can say. I'm making a house-to-house canvass."

"In the new car?" He nodded.

"Better use the old tin Lizzie," she suggested. "That shiny new monster will cost you votes. I heard a well-known merchant of Pilarcitos remark to Mr. Moody, apropos of your new imported car, that a fool and his money are soon parted."

"Well, I must be off, Nellie. I'm

afraid I shall not be able to see very much of you until after the school election."

"Atta boy, Elmer."

As he strode out of the bank Nellie observed that, for the first time, he no longer walked with the slight limp that had been the result of an unexpected meeting with a soldier of the Prussian Guard. Once it had been a real limp; then it had become a habit; but now—

"Nothing like a little judicial prod—nothing like a hint of opposition—nothing like an objective to be captured, to keep that boy busy," the girl soliloquized. "Well, anyhow, he didn't fib to me about Doris Gatewood. He didn't apologize or explain or try to excuse himself—and that's a comfort."

True to his promise, Elmer saw little of Nellie during the period intervening before the school trustee election. He had a fight on his hands



He Had a Fight on His Hands and He Fought.

and he fought. The Sunday before the election he invited the entire high school district to a barbecue. During the barbecue he made the only public speech of his campaign. It was a rattling good speech and well delivered.

As usually occurs when an untrained speaker warns to his subject, Elmer's oratory suddenly captivated Elmer. Almost before he realized it, he had announced his intention of seeking the office of mayor of Pilarcitos, as an independent candidate, at the November election.

When Elmer Clarke stepped down from the table upon which he had made his speech, he knew he had won. In fact, he was elected by a majority of nineteen votes, and took office at the next regular meeting of the board.

Meanwhile the Pilarcitos Clarion had increased its circulation by one. Colorado Charley had subscribed for three months, on the off-chance that thus he might be kept in touch with the activities of his intended victim. As a result of his foresight, Elmer received a telegram from Doris Gatewood on the morning of election day, wishing him a tremendous victory and vowing the prophecy that any other issue would be improbable.

Elmer thought it was both kind and considerate of her to do this; consequently an hour after the votes were counted he sent her a telegram thanking her and announcing his victory. Immediately she replied with a night letter suggesting that he owed himself a present and that it ought to take the form of another visit to Los Angeles.

With that suggestion Elmer was in entire accord. He told Nellie about it before he left and she agreed that he ought to go. When he told her he would probably see Doris Gatewood and her brother while there, she told him she hoped he would see the charming Miss Gatewood and that he might enjoy her society immensely. As a result of this conversation, Elmer departed not a little irritated. He would have preferred to have Nellie display opposition to his plan.

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### Point Moral Idea

Little Apes of Nikko, sometimes known as the "Three Wise Monkeys," is the name of monkeys which appear in a mural decoration among ancient tombs at Nikko, Japan. The three monkeys are as follows: Mizaru, who sees no evil; Kikazaru, who hears no evil; and Mizaru, who speaks no evil. The legend connected with these monkeys is simply a moral idea to point out the wisdom of minding one's own affairs and the folly of scandal.

# Improved Uniform International Sunday School Lesson

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### Lesson for August 16

#### SOWING AND REAPING (Temperance Lesson.)

LESSON TEXT—Galatians 6:1-10. GOLDEN TEXT—Be not deceived. God is not mocked; for whatsoever a man sows, that shall he also reap. JEREMY TOPIC—Obeying the Law. INTERMEDIATE AND SENIOR TOPIC—Sowing and Reaping (Effects of Alcohol). YOUNG PEOPLE AND ADULT TOPIC—Sowing and Reaping (Effects of Alcohol).

In chapters three and four Paul presented in a masterful way the heart of Christianity; namely, that justification is by faith in the atoning work of Christ rather than by the works of the law. In chapters five and six he made practical application of the doctrine to the affairs of life. Gracious justification by faith is the dynamic for right living. Those who are freely justified in Christ will manifest the fact by the following conduct:

#### I. Restore the Sinning Brother (v. 1).

1. Who he is. "The one overtaken in a fault." The idea expressed by the word "fault" is not to minimize the sin, but to show the suddenness of the temptation. One's spirituality is shown by his willingness to help in such a case.

2. What is to be done. He is to be "restored." Restore is a surgical term which means the placing back of a dislocated member to its normal place. Christians are members of the body of Christ. Therefore, the sinning of a brother should as really give us pain as the dislocation of a member of our body.

3. How it is to be done. "In a spirit of meekness." Harshness has no place in the life of a Christian. The fruit of the Spirit is love, meekness, etc. The believer must show his right to claim the life in the heavenlies by stooping down to help the brother crippled and beset in the dirt of earth.

4. The incentive. "Lest thou also be tempted." No one is immune from temptation. The surest way to be fortified against temptation is to go sympathetically to the rescue of the fallen.

#### II. Bear One Another's Burdens (v. 2).

Many are the burdens of life: burdens of weakness, temptations of a fallen nature, sorrow, suffering, and sin. Some have more temptations than others. Since believers are inseparably bound together, the strong should bear the infirmities of the weak. Christ is the supreme burden bearer. When we bear one another's burdens, we fulfill the law of Christ. Many have inherited the appetite for intoxicating liquors, and the spirit of burden bearing will move us to make our utmost endeavor to remove far away the temptation to strong drink.

#### III. Bear Our Own Burdens (vv. 3-5).

There are some burdens which can be borne alone by the individual. Personal responsibility cannot be escaped. In a most real sense every man lives his life alone. Helpful as is sympathy, human and divine, greatly as we need the helping hand of our brother, the individual must live his own life. The law of God which is in harmony with the law which controls the individual declares, "The soul that sinneth it shall die."

#### IV. Support Teachers of God's Word (vv. 6, 8).

It is incumbent upon those who are taught in God's Word to give of their means for the support of the teacher. To repudiate this obligation is to mock God (v. 7), for God has ordained that they who preach the gospel shall live of the gospel (1 Cor. 9:14). The declaration, "Whoever a man soweth that shall he also reap," sets forth a law which operates in all spheres of life.

#### V. Be Earnest in Well Doing (v. 9).

The harvest is sure. Sow good seed and patiently wait for the reward. The same unyielding law which eventuates in a harvest of corruption to those who sow to the flesh will bring life everlasting to those who sow to the Spirit.

#### VI. Work for the Good of All Men (v. 10).

The believer in Christ who realizes his freedom will have sympathies and interests as wide as the race. While especially endeavoring to help those in Christ, he will be reaching out to all men. He will be seeking to win them to Christ. This obligation to work for the good of all men applies in such matters as the abolition of the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages.

### Friendship Marred by Distance in New York

In New York city it is possible to know an infinite variety of good citizens. You may come up an acquaintance with showgirls, professors of applied therapeutics, novelists, pugilists, Hindu swamis, rabbi reporters, toe dancers and captains of South American banana boats. You may even become warm friends of a bibliomaniac or a Hoboken bartender.

But what good will they do you? If you live in the Bronx, your best friends invariably live in Flatbush, and if you live on City Island, the boon companions you are just going to see always reside in Jamaica or Jersey City.

So that if you are projecting an hon's friendliness, you have to travel on the subways two hours; you are mangled by the theater crowd, and manhandled by the downtown warehouse watchmen going uptown to sleep and the uptown swells going downtown to play.

And when you arrive at your friend's house at 10:30 p. m., limp and shopworn, you find, of course, that he has quit waiting for you and has gone to a Romanian fish house three blocks from your home which you left two hours ago.

Friendship in New York becomes too often a terrific chore. It is far easier to be content with the casual folk you rub against where your business or your thirst takes you. As a rule, therefore, the "people to your taste" are not to your taste in any deeper, spiritual sense, but they simply frequent the same resort or restaurant you do and are tolerable only because they can speak your jargon of art or business and do not attempt to assault you with beer mugs. Ernest L. Meyer in the Forum and Century.

### Polish Leader Hailed

#### as Savior of Europe

Lord d'Abernon's tribute to Pilsudski as the real savior of Europe in 1920 has aroused much comment. The praise of the Polish leader appeared in the Gazeta Polska on the tenth anniversary of the Polish victory against the Bolsheviks. Lord d'Abernon declared that contemporary history includes few events as important as the battle of the Vistula in 1920 and not one which has been less appreciated. If the Bolsheviks had won the day the battle would have marked a turning point in European history, for Central Europe would have been thrown open to admit a flood of Bolshevik propaganda. The Bolsheviks had much vaster plans than the occupation of Poland. Many German towns were ready to proclaim a Bolshevik regime as soon as Warsaw fell. Pilsudski's strategic genius, adds the author, saved Poland, and in saving Poland saved Europe.

### Desperate

The borrowing habit is not confined to the United States by any means. They actually do it in dear old London and are not in the least particular when they borrow from.

One of the big London daily papers carries a classified advertising section, somewhat similar to the Times "personals" in which English people of high and low degree air their troubles. It was in this column that the following ad recently appeared:

"Will the persons who have borrowed Waverly Novels No. 5, and Les Miserables Vol. I from Cliveden Library, kindly return same to Viscountess Astor, M. P."

One mentions in passing that the M. P. after Lady Astor's name does not stand for motion pictures nor mounted police, but member of parliament.

### Science Trouble

Two Tech girls were talking about their school work.

Said one: "What science are you going to take up next semester?"

Before the other could answer, small sister piped up: "Oh, do they teach that, too? That's the kind of trouble Daddy had in his head last winter."—Indianapolis News.

### Exception

"Does your wife ever say you're right?"

"Oh, yes, she always says I am right in admitting I'm wrong."

### One Tells Another

Though expert opinions may differ as to what constitutes effective advertising, practically all agree that the praise of satisfied customers is one of the most successful means of increasing the popularity and use of a product. This has been one of the factors responsible for the widespread preference now existing for St. Joseph's Aspirin. "St. Joseph's" is both genuine and pure and each package is wrapped in moisture-proof cellophane to preserve the purity and full strength of each tablet. Always ask your druggist for "St. Joseph's," now the largest selling pure aspirin in the world for 10c. It's as pure as money can buy and meets every government standard.

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### Plea for Lenity

A neighbor has a little boy about five or six years old. The other evening he evidently violated one of the rules of the home and his mother was heard to say:

"James, I'm going to give you a whipping for that."

The boy immediately sought a compromise.

"Oh, mother, please don't lick me, please don't lick me," he begged, "Just give me a good slap."—Exchange.

### GLAD HER FRIEND SAID TRY CARDUI

"A few years ago, I was in a miserable, run-down condition," says Mrs. M. M. Brown, of 306 Albany Ave., Wavercross, Ga. "I was so weak, I could hardly go. I was nervous and all out of heart, getting very discouraged with my condition."

"A friend of mine, seeing how miserable I was, told me to try Cardui. I have never ceased to be grateful for it. I felt better from the time I began taking it. I kept on taking Cardui until I felt well and strong. I was less nervous and was soon enjoying good health."—Cardui Sold at Drug Stores.

### To Be Pitied

"She boasts they don't owe anybody a cent," said Mrs. Jones.

"Huh!" retorted Mrs. Brown. "I don't envy them. They have no car, no radio, wear old clothes and spend all their time at home."

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