

A Modern David

By WARREN MILLER

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 Doctor Gaston Larrabee had just completed his medical education when the World's war broke out, and of course he joined the surgeons of the French army. Doctor Larrabee was better fitted to give medicines to women and children than to attend the wounded on the battle field. He was small of stature and delicately organized.

The young doctor was, moreover, in love with Louise Rappeller. He was not successful in his suit, for Louise admired strength. She looked forward to marrying some hero of the war, some imposing man with fierce mustachios.

"Go," she said, "and do your duty in the field in which you are placed. A surgeon may win a decoration as well as one in the trenches. I hope you will return safely, and having shown yourself a brave man, I care not how."

Gaston went forth without any hope of proving that he possessed what he had no taste for. He would much rather have remained and fed pellets to children; but the government did not propose that he should do so.

Gaston's small stature, his soft voice, his gentleness, soon brought down on him the sarcasm of his associates. That is, some of his associates. Most of them liked him. It was only the tough-brown men who were indelicate enough to twit him for his delicacy. There was no occasion for taunting him, for he did his work conscientiously, and if war was not to his taste, that was no fault of his. He could not force his likes or dislikes.

Captain Bombarier was Doctor Larrabee's opposite. He came of rough stock, and had received very little education. He hated refinement, and education was detestful to him. The little doctor was to him like a red rag to a mad bull. The two men were of the same corps, and were consequently thrown together. Bombarier never lost an opportunity to cast a slur on the doctor's small hand or foot, or his soft voice, which latter was as unlike the captain's as the coo of a dove to a lion's roar.

Bombarier's taunts finally reached Gaston's friends suggested to him to ask for a transfer to a corps where he would not be subject to the captain's remarks, but the doctor said that would not avail. The reputation for having failed to resent an insult would follow him. Besides, he would find others disposed to pounce upon him. No, he preferred death rather than live an object of contempt. He would challenge Captain Bombarier. If he were killed his sufferings would be ended. However, the matter might end, it might in future render him less liable to insult.

The next time Bombarier cast a slur on the doctor, Gaston challenged him to fight. The captain laughed at the idea of fighting such a delicate little fellow, and ignored the challenge. This would have been well enough had he ceased his slurs. For a time he was not quite so contemptuous, but soon was as irritating as ever. Then the other officers took the matter up and insisted that he fight the doctor.

Bombarier reluctantly consented, stating that he was placed in a false position as the opponent of such a stripling, and a meeting was arranged. The seconds, in order that nothing serious might come of it, or to save the little doctor's life, separating the combatants 500 yards, naming rifles for weapons. The duellists were placed as far from the trenches as the circumstances would admit, but the distance was not great. When all was ready, the word "Aim" was given, and each raised his rifle to his shoulder. Gaston aimed at nothing, shutting his eyes. At the word "Fire" two shots rang out simultaneously. The doctor was unharmed, but the captain fell dead.

Doctor Larrabee was sure that he had not killed his enemy, unless it was by accident, for he had not wished to have the blood of anyone upon his conscience. Be he could not convince the seconds that he had not done so. They buried the captain and proclaimed the doctor a man who was not to be trifled with.

One of the men who buried the body of Captain Bombarier noted that he had been shot in the back. He inferred that he had been killed by a stray bullet that had come from the enemy's trenches. But being a friend of the doctor's he made no mention of the discovery, not wishing to mar the effect of his achievement.

From that time forward Surgeon Larrabee suffered nothing from his delicate make-up. Indeed, being a contrast to his supposed courage, it rendered him an object of interest. He was pointed out as the man who had killed the overbearing Bombarier.

News of his feat reached his friends at home, and when he was wounded during service on the battlefield, and went home on leave, he found himself a double hero. Louise Rappeller related and accepted him, not because he was hit doing his duty, but because he had killed a man who had taunted him.

Doctor Larrabee had become used to fire—men will become used to anything—and is a marked man in the army, but he is chiefly admired as that refined little gentleman who, like David, killed his Goliath.

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Sale of Valuable town Property. Under and by virtue of the power and authority contained in that deed of trust executed by E. S. Ford on the 31st day of August 1912, to the undersigned trustee, which is registered in book 177 page 61, in the office of the Register of Deeds for Franklin county, default having been made in the payment of the indebtedness thereby secured, and demand made upon me by the holder of said indebtedness to foreclose in accordance with the terms and provisions of said deed of trust I the undersigned trustee will on Monday, 31st day of December, 1917, at 12 o'clock, M., at the court house door of Franklin County, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash the following described real estate, namely: Those certain lots or parcels of land situated in the town of Louisburg, N. C., and lying on the south side of Nash street defined as follows: Beginning at the east corner of the blacksmith shop on Nash street and running thence along Nash street westerly 78 feet to corner formerly owned by R. H. Strickland; thence along said line at right angles to Nash street in southerly direction 54 feet; thence easterly parallel to Nash st., 78 feet thence northerly at right angles to Nash st., 63 feet to the point of beginning, containing 4914 square feet, and being those lots described in the plot of lands of J. J. Mintree deceased, which is of record in office of Clerk Superior Court of Franklin County, in book No. 2 Orders and Decrees, at pages 111 et seq., and being lot No. 2 This 28th day of November, 1917. 11-30-5t BEN. T. HOLDEN, Trustee

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Catarrh and Bronchitis

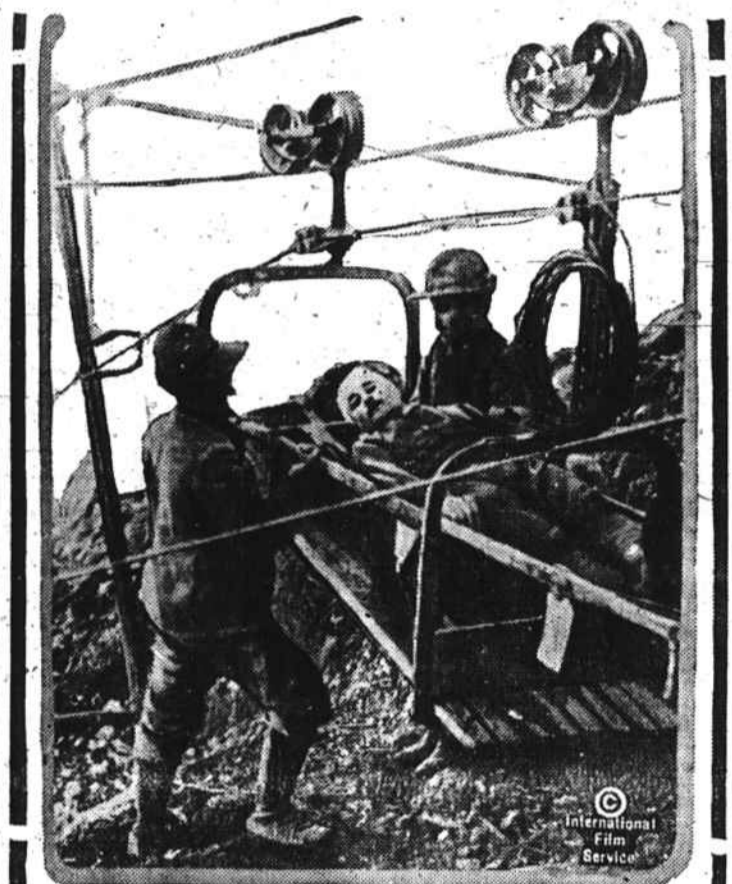
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Trustee's Sale of Land.

Under and by virtue of the power contained in a certain deed of trust executed to me by W. E. Murphy and wife and duly recorded in the office of the Register of Deeds of Franklin county in book 198, page 551, I will on Monday the 31st day of December 1917, at 12 o'clock noon, sell at public auction to the highest bidder for cash, at the court house door in Franklin county, a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Franklin county State of North Carolina, in Louisburg township and described and de-

lined as follows: to-wit: Lying on the South side of the old Louisburg and Nashville road, on the north side of the new Louisburg and Nashville road, bounded on the east by the lands of E. L. Harris and on the west by the lands of V. C. Williams; on said parcel of land is a residence at present occupied by G. H. Dorsey, said land is subject to a prior mortgage or trust deed to F. N. Egerton for the purpose of securing an indebtedness of \$350.00, which said deed of trust is of record in the office of the Register of Deeds of Franklin county in book 162 at page 548, but this mortgage debt will be paid off from the proceeds of this sale so as to perfect the title acquired by the purchaser. This the 29 day of November, 1917.

W. E. EGERTON, Trustee.

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