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The drawing for tonight's prize takes place at 8.30.

## Mina Dare's Real Christmas

By MARGARET LYLE

"Of course your Christmas day is entirely taken up," said the caller, "you are going away or entertaining at home."

"I haven't kept Christmas for several years," replied Mrs. Dare, "not since my husband died."

The visitor, who only knew her hostess slightly, indeed sympathetically and planned round the beautifully furnished room. Mrs. Dare was barely 30, a handsome, wealthy, and yet, at a season when the poorest get some joy in to their lives, she was lonely and desolate.

Mina Dare colored slightly, and, seeming to think some explanation was necessary, added: "We had only been married a year, and on Christmas day he—was killed in an accident." Even after the lapse of seven years she could scarcely speak with calmness of that dreadful catastrophe which had robbed her of all light and zest. "Since then," she went on, after a moment's pause, "I have never kept Christmas at all; I couldn't."

Miss Ancrum, the caller, sympathized, albeit she thought her hostess morbid and self-indulgent.

"But still—the religious part of Christmas day?" she ventured.

Mrs. Dare shook her head. "We had been to church in the morning," she said, brokenly. "No—Christmas day has nothing but painful memories for me."

Miss Ancrum spoke a few kindly words, then passed on to other things. Just before taking her leave she ventured, half timidly, "I wonder if I could ask you to help me on Christmas day? We are giving a dinner and entertainment to a number of the very poorest in the East end, and it is so difficult to get adequate assistance."

"Yes, it is just such as you that we need. Perhaps you will think it over, and let me know by Christmas eve at latest. I should be deeply grateful." She said graciously and went her way, disconcertingly leaving her hostess to think over the proposition in solitude.

Mina Dare found it difficult to refuse the request, though at first she felt inclined to do so. She would really be doing nothing on Christmas day, and helping to support for one day in the year, lives generally gray and morbid, would not be "keeping Christmas," so far as she was concerned. Still, it was more because she was really ashamed to refuse her friend's request than for any better reason, that Mrs. Dare at length agreed and volunteered her services for the occasion.

A long, wide room, naturally bare enough, but made bright with burning and a profusion of holly, mistletoe, and other evergreens; two long tables spread beautifully with a Christmas fare; and all down the tables rows of male, thin, but happy, and for once, at least, clean faces—these were what Mina Dare saw when she entered with Miss Ancrum the hall where some 500 poor little ones were being regaled. All were meekly dressed, some wore 10 actual ragged, many were barefooted; none boasted even decent shoes. Mina's heart went out to the little guests, and she thought with a pang of the seven selfish years of brooding and useless solitude.

Soon she was talking to the children, talking to them, even laughing with them. In helping others her own grief seemed to be soothed, and she proved herself an admirable assistant. After the dinner there was an entertainment—magic lantern, singing and playing. Mrs. Dare both played and sang well, and became a huge favorite, singing pretty nursery ballads, to the delight of the youngsters, and accompanying other singers. But when at last the children fled out, cheering and singing, and Miss Ancrum began to thank her helpers, Mina Dare held up her hand. "Don't thank me," she said. "You ought to thank me that I have never before thought of helping to make others happy, whatever I might feel myself. I have been happy to-day; all my heart was in the work. I have been selfish—very selfish. I have learned a lesson this Christmas which I hope may serve me, not at Christmas time only, but throughout the year."

Miss Ancrum clasped the speaker's hand warmly in her own. "We have Christ's own promise," she said, softly, "that whose ministers to his little ones shall reap his reward."

Mina's eyes filled with tears of happiness and her pretty face flushed as she turned to go to her home. All the way through the snowy streets she murmured joyfully to herself: "Inasmuch as ye do it unto one of the least of these—"

## NOTICE.

North Carolina, Beaufort County. In the Superior Court, P. T. Phillips vs. W. A. Bridges.

By virtue of an execution directed to the undersigned from the Superior Court of Beaufort County, in the above entitled action I will on Monday the 3d day of January, 1910, at the courthouse door of said county at 12 o'clock m. sell to the highest bidder for cash to satisfy said execution all the right, title and interest which the said W. A. Bridges had on the 14th day of January, 1908, in the following described real estate, to-wit:

A certain tract or parcel of land in Beaufort County, State of North Carolina, and Washington Township, "it being a part of what is known as the Sparrow land, and situated at the corner of Sparrow street and Moor's alley, as they are staked out through said tract of land. Beginning at the northwest corner of Moor's alley where it intersects Sparrow street, 235 feet from the center of Gladden street, one of the streets of the town of Washington, running thence south with Moor's alley 120 feet, thence west parallel with Sparrow street 30 feet, thence north parallel with Moor's alley to Sparrow street 120 feet, thence east with Sparrow street to Moor's alley 30 feet, it being the beginning. It being a lot fronting Sparrow street 30 feet, and Moor's alley 120 feet, and in the same lot of land conveyed in a deed from P. W. Ford and wife to W. A. Bridges, dated November 26, 1904, and duly recorded in the Register's office of Beaufort County and is referred to and made a part of this conveyance." This the 2d day of December, 1909. GEO. E. RICKS, Sheriff of Beaufort County.

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Chickens, grown.....25 to 30c  
Spring chickens.....10 to 25c  
Green salted hides......9c  
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Green hides......7c  
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Tallow.....3 1/2 to 20c  
Wool, free from burrs.....25 to 10c  
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## NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the stockholders of the First National Bank of Washington, will be held Tuesday, January 11, 1910, between the hours of 11 o'clock a. m. and 1 o'clock p. m., for the purpose of electing directors for the ensuing year. A. M. DUMAY, Cashier.

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