

# A Wife's Confessional

by Adele Garrison



Madge and Lillian Count the Money. I think I was as pale as Lillian as I took the bundle of supposed bank notes from her hand. "Counterfeit money!" I gasped, ruffling the bills through my fingers as she had done. "But surely these are real!" I stripped off the outside bills from the top and bottom of the package and held them out to her. She took them and held them close to her eyes. "Perhaps they are," she said a bit dubiously, "although there are some mighty clever counterfeits floating around. I'm not an expert on them, however. Your father, now, could tell them in a minute. I'm inclined to the opinion, though, that these are real. Whoever copied the original contents of this valise, certainly had enough to be able to spare any number of twenties. It's the old trick—genuine bills on top and bottom, phony in between. And to think I fell for it for even a minute!"

**A Bundle of paper.**

Her voice was filled with self-contempt. I knew that no possible harm could come of her mistake, and al-

though no one but ourselves knew of it, yet she was scoring herself as bitterly as if she had been guilty of a most flagrant error. This is her invariable procedure with her own sins of omission and commission, and it is one which makes it easier for her associates to be patient under her discipline.

She stood rigidly erect for a few seconds, looking down at the bundle of bogus money in my lap. Then she struck her hands together with a gesture of decision.

"In the language of the redoubtable Dicky Troop of Kipling's character gallery, 'I'll never trust my own judgment again,'" she said. "But that doesn't string any beans for us now. Come, Madge, up with you. We've a bit of work to do in which I need that photographic memory of yours. Here, I'll take the money."

She stooped and lifted the bundle of bills, careful, as I noted, not to disturb the order in which they had been wrapped. I sprang to my feet as soon as they left my hands, and she imperatively gestured me to the table where she had placed the bag. "We're going to go through every packet in her," she said, "to make sure there is no message or writing of any kind concealed in them. I want you to examine every fatnest pencil mark if you find one, either inside the packages or upon the paper wrapping them. And I want you to remember exactly the way in which they are tied and wrapped, so that we can do them up again in such a manner as to defy detection that they have been opened. This stuff may be evidence, you know. Perhaps—who knows?—it may be the very thing needed to put the rope around the necks of the people who are trying to blackmail poor Hugh."

I opened the valise wide and inspected the position of the packages carefully, fixing them in my memory. Then, waving Lillian aside, for I wished to be sure of putting the packages back in exactly the same order, I lifted them out and piled them on the table, observing as I did that each one bore a number.

"We had better open one at a time, go through it, tie it up again and deposit it in the valise before we take the next one," I suggested. "Go ahead. You're the doctor this trip," Lillian rejoined. And then for a long time we did not speak except to check each other's counting. We counted the bills in each bundle, made sure that there was no writing

## COLOR CUT-OUTS

### Mary and Her Lamb



Next week there will be another picture-story. This time it will be a fairy tale.

As soon as school was over Mary ran to get her hat and coat. She wanted to get home just as fast as she could, so she could find out if her little lamb arrived home safely.

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After that you may be very sure that Mary was careful to see that her lamb was locked in when she started for school.

(Here's a pretty pink dress with hat and fan for Mary to dress up in. She wears it when she takes her lamb out for a walk.)

**Your Problems Solved by Martha Allen**

**Broken Hearted:** Your bad complexion comes from your blood. You should see a doctor about it. He can advise you more accurately than I can. But this much I am sure is good advice. Watch your diet and get plenty of exercise. Drink lots of water, starting with two glasses of hot water before breakfast. Don't

overeat on starches or sweets. No particular brand of soap or cold cream is going to cure you. Find a soap and a cream that do not irritate your skin and then depend upon healthful habits to do the rest.

**Blue-Eyed Bobbie:** Is it wrong to dance and play cards? I think not, if they are done in reason. There are some people who think there is harm in these diversions and such people are entitled to their opinions, and should not indulge in what they consider wrong. If you care enough about the boy to give up cards for him, do so, but if you feel his request is unreasonable, tell him so. Perhaps the boy doesn't realize that.

**Betty:** Of course a girl of your age should be permitted to go with boys if she doesn't stay out too late, or go too often. But if your stepmother rules the home, you may have to defer to her wishes while you are in school. In a few years you can be

self-supporting and can then claim the right to make decisions for yourself.

**Broken Hearted:** Perhaps you expect your lover to come too often. Be reasonable on that point. From what you say I judge he is somewhat erratic. You will know without my advice if he treats you fairly. Let him know you expect consideration and constancy.

**Worried Man:** If you love this woman and wish to marry her, you are not doing wrong to kiss her good night. Don't exaggerate your conduct and think things are bad when they are not.

**C. B. J.:** Thanks for your letter, which I can't print just at this time, having so many answers that must be made.

**Brown Eyes:** I would advise you not to go with this boy any more. He is undoubtedly trying to make

you jealous by taking the other girl around. It is fortunate you don't care. Be friendly but firm about not going with him.

**Broken Hearted:** Why not be reasonable? The boy will dislike you if you are so unfair as to expect him to confine his attention solely to you. Show him you can be a good fellow when he takes somebody else out.

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