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CONNECTIONS. The above Table is made up on Eastern standard time. The trains between Chatham and Fredericton will also stop at the following stations...

Miramichi Advance.

CHATHAM, N. B., - DECEMBER 25, 1895.

AN AFTER-DINNER YARN.

BY KATHARINE M'LAGGAN M'KENZIE. We had been sitting round the open fire smoking. It was Xmas Eve. Cambell had just finished telling us a tall ghost story, which he swore was true. I could hear Doc Anderson chaffing him about it, but my thoughts were far away.

But to come back to the present. Cambell was saying, "I guess you two fellows have often wondered what has made me so different this last year. Well, I am going to tell you—and when I am through you may believe or not in what I call the sixth sense. Now don't interrupt me; I'll try to tell it straight. One year ago to-day I was in a restless mood and I wandered all over the town. I had a strange feeling of impending evil. I did not know what to do with myself. You were away, Bailey. In the evening I went over to your place. Do, I remember you got me at the door and asked where I met my long face. Go in and see Nell; she has long face, too, and misery likes company, you know," you laughed.

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The writing of the letter was a finished act I think, and so does Nell.

"But if the letter were written the night before Xmas Eve, how was it that it did not reach Nell until Xmas Day," her brother objected.

He stopped abruptly. We two smoked on in silence—Cambell never touches a pipe now-a-days. I thought wonderingly over my lad's story. Had the Prince of Darkness prompted Nell to ask Cambell about Polly, at the same time tempting him to lie to her so that she would hate him when she learned the truth from the letter?

"I have the solution of your story," I answered. "Now listen and see if you don't think so too. You remember when I was in Sackville last year? Well, as I was coming out of The Arlington one night I almost ran into Van Tromp. I tried to get away from him—I always disliked the man. He had a pretty good jag on, but still his mind was quite clear. He began enquiring for all his old friends and asked particularly for your sister, Doc, who, you remember, refused him without much ceremony. Just to tease him I mentioned that Dame Ramour said that Miss Nell was likely to marry Cambell. His face changed instantly; he sprang out of his chair and swore a great oath that Cambell should never marry her.

"So you actually believe that his Satanic Majesty responded to Van Tromp's demand and at once set to work to make trouble between you and Nell?" Doc questioned smilingly.

"That is exactly what I believe," Cambell answered stoutly. Doc looked at me with an inquiring air. "As for me, I agree with Cambell," I replied, in response to his look, "I believe that the devil is true to his own word."

"Well! what is the end of the story, Cambell? It's the end I am interested in!" Doc smiled quizzically. "From what I have seen the last year I should judge that the Evil one has had his hands full in trying to keep you and Nell apart. Where are you going? What's your hurry?" Cambell was putting on his coat. "I am going to get the end of the story for you, my lad teasingly replied. Then he added shyly, "I am going to get Nell's answer to-night." "Nell's answer?" we repeated stupidly. "Yes. The answer to the question I asked her last Xmas Eve," he explained, with shining eyes and heightened color. Doc and I sat over the fire wrapped in thought till the clock struck ten—I silent with an old man's happiness; happy in following my dear lad in his wooing. Half wistfully I imagined his passionate caresses, his tender words, for I knew that Nell loved him. How did I know? I know because his dear love poured out her heart to me, not so very long ago, sitting by the fire in her own study. "And you promise to let me be your friend always?" she said lovingly, taking my old worn hands in her young strong ones. "I promise," I answered solemnly. "The memory of that promise lies in my heart to-night like a fragrant flower, and unconsciously I whisper, 'Rose of my heart, I too love you.'"

struck 12, he was surprised at what he heard.

"We shall have hard work to do this day week," said one horse. "Yes; the farmer's servant is heavy," answered the other horse.

"And the way to the churchyard is long and steep," said the first. The servant was buried that day week.

The Scotch Hognanny. If you want to make a Scotchman's blood tingle, pronounce, if you can, that outlandish word, "Hognanny." If one attempt to chase this philological freak through dictionaries and lexicons, the last state of that man is worse than the first.

Christmas Eve in old England was a time of vigils. All were on the watch, as were the ancient shepherds, watching for the appearance of the star. This custom, to some extent, yet prevails in places. One strange belief which obtains in England, and particularly in Devonshire, is that at midnight, at the moment Christmas day comes to earth, the cattle fall to their knees, as the legend says was done by the oxen that were around the sacred manger in Bethlehem at the time of the nativity. Yet it is a sin to look on the cattle while in this position or to seek to find them so.

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General News and Notes. An Italian wood-carver receives from 30c to 65c per day.

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