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"I did not see the sun," I groaned.

He did so, and I inspected it critically. I could discover nothing amiss with it externally, and searching the pockets, found they were empty. However, that was to be expected, as I could remember having nothing in them when I had hung it up, certainly nothing of any value to anybody but myself. I had only succeeded in thickening the mystery which enveloped this extraordinary transaction, and puzzled beyond expression, I arranged with the tailor that in the future he should allow none of my clothes which he happened to have in his possession to leave his hands upon an order ostensibly written by me unless the order contained a secret mark which we then and there agreed upon. Then instructing him that if any one called for the suit in question and presented an order for the same not bearing the minute token of its genuineness which we had just invented, that he was to detain him until he could summon an officer and have him arrested, I departed. What possible object any person could have had in wishing to secure possession of a suit of my clothes which contained nothing of the slightest worth, and who having secured possession of it should go to the trouble of conveying it from my house to the tailor shop was utterly beyond my comprehension. The forger had not injured the clothes, as some petty-minded enemy might have done out of a spirit of spite, and altogether I could conceive of no possible benefit of satisfaction any one could have derived from such an elaborate and criminal subterfuge. Utterly baffled, I determined to say nothing more about it for the time, quietly awaiting any new developments that might arise.

The next morning another strange thing had happened. I was dressing for the day at my customary hour for arising, when suddenly the housekeeper's knuckles fell upon the door in a series of nervous taps. She almost never came to the upper floor before the breakfast hour, and I therefore searched her face with some curiosity as I told her that she might enter. She immediately burst forth in an excited volley.

"Oh, Mr. Tom, the house has been burglarized again in the night. What on earth are we coming to with such people prowling all around in the darkness? I never was so frightened in my life. I declare I nearly fell in a faint when I discovered it. Please come with me and I will show you." Dumbfoundled, and with my necktie still dangling from my hand, I followed her squat figure as she climbed down the front stairs, waddled through the dining-room and kitchen and then, one foot at a time, descended the steep stairs that led to the basement. There was only one door entering from the outside into these lower regions, and that was never used—in fact, had been bolted ever since my occupancy of the premises. The aperture in the side of the house through which the coal supply was dumped from the drive into the bin was protected by an iron grating, which was always carefully locked after such an operation, and the low windows which admitted light to the furnace room had fixed iron bars on the outside. The police, LeDuc and myself had gone over this region thoroughly in our search and had found that the locks had not been tampered with nor the gratings disturbed; the dust and the rust had proven that beyond contention. Now, to my amazement, I saw that the door had been forced by some powerful instrument that had torn the receiving socket for the bolt bodily from its fastenings. My hair arose with a cold tingling of my scalp, much as it might have done had I been suddenly confronted by some uncanny object in the dead of night.

"And the door at the head of the stairs which leads from here into the kitchen, was that disturbed?" I asked her, as my first sensations faded. She was panting from excitement and the haste of her movements.

"No, the door was locked and just as I left it last night with the key still on the inside. He could not have gone up higher than the head of the basement stairs. I just happened to remember that I had left a broom down here yesterday, and when I came down after it I noticed this door right away. Who on earth do you suppose could have done it?" She was wringing her hands weakly, the perspiration of nervousness popping from her forehead.

Being in total darkness myself, I made no attempt to enlighten her as I carefully examined the place. Outside of the scanty supply of coal that remained from last winter's supply, the basement contained little save an accumulation of odds and ends and an old chest of mine that contained articles that I had stored away years before. However, I still retained the key to it, and I now opened it and made a careful inspection of its interior. So far as I could discover by a minute scrutiny the articles within it had remained untouched since I had last placed them there, and satisfied on that point, I shut and locked it again without having as yet received the faintest ray of light to assist my search. I must have spent at least half an hour in my examination of the place, and my questions of the housekeeper, but at the end of that time, was compelled to give up with absolutely nothing learned that I had not known to start with. Another thing that perplexed me somewhat was as to whether or not I should inform my uncle of this new crime. I did not see that anything would be gained by telling him, while it would most certainly agitate him and lead to further outbursts; therefore I decided to leave him in ignorance of it, and requested Mrs. Tebbetts to do the same.

I also decided to see LeDuc and get his opinion on the matter, and repairing the outraged doors as best I could with hammer, boards and nails, and soothing the housekeeper by my assurances that the incident was a triviality to which she need pay no further attention, I went upstairs and sat down to my breakfast with Uncle Abner as usual. But an hour later when I had reached my office I telephoned the detective with the request that he meet me at the noon hour. He readily assented, and I then went about my daily work.

He met me at luncheon, and I explained the matter to him without prelude. He looked serious minded as I finished. "What do you think of it?" I asked. In his abstraction he delayed his reply for perhaps 30 seconds.

"It seems peculiar. But I am more inclined to consider it as a separate and distinct offence rather than as an aftermath of the original happening. Further than that I don't believe I have any theory to advance as yet. However, it may all come out in the final solution, provided there is one, and in the meantime I would dismiss it from my mind if I were you. If you find that difficult, you may look upon it in this light. If I remember, we had a sharp shower last night—the thunder awoke me. It is not unreasonable to assume that some back-yard prowler, caught in the storm, may have forced his way in merely to secure a dry nest in which to sleep." While I did not take much stock in that explanation, and so informed him, I added, that being in a receptive mood, I would file it in my mind for future reference, and then began interrogating him as to his own movements since we had last gathered. But when it came to that he had little to say, and at first seemed disinclined to part with even that. Later on, as we ate, however, he became a trifle more communicative.

Under the warming influence of tobacco and coffee he began to make more satisfactory replies to my quizzes, but if he had learned anything of importance he did not betray it. Since the day upon which he had taken an active interest in the case and I had heard his low whistle at the mention of Mackay's name, curiosity had filled my mind as to what his researches would be in that direction. I had gone to Mrs. Dace's with the mention of LeDuc's name that she might understand why I had repeated to him conversations which had occurred between herself and myself, that she might not feel that I had tattle-taled our private talks without explaining the reason to her. But though I had paved the way by which he might have had a confidential business chat with her, if he had availed himself of the opportunity, it had not come to my knowledge. That LeDuc might now have full information of what I had done, and feel at liberty to interview her should be desired, I now told him of my talk upon the subject with her; telling him that she had denied absolutely having repeated my half confidences to any one, and had seemed to be amused at the idea that Janet was anything more than an automaton. This information he received without comment, beyond the paradoxical remark that he could not remember that he had forgotten anything. "What else have you got to tell me?" I urged in finishing. He closed his lips so tightly around his cigar that it resembled a nail driven into a crack, and appeared to be filling himself to his toes with smoke as he reflected. Presently he expelled the smoke from his mouth, after the manner of a nursery dragon.

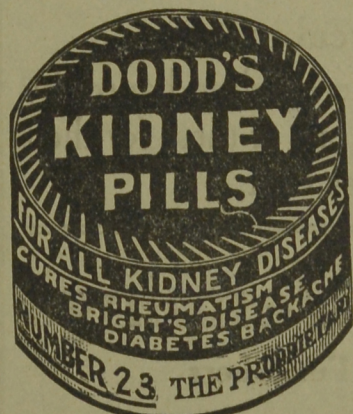
"I don't know whether I am acting wisely or not, but under your promise to divulge nothing you may learn from me without my consent, I am going to risk it. I know that you believe in your cousin Bruce's honesty." "Implicitly."

"But do you happen to know that he has somehow or other managed to come into active control of enough money to resume his operations on 'Change on a rather liberal scale?" he queried with a thin smile. I was astonished, and told him so.

"Well, he has," he pursued, assertively. "Furthermore, he is carrying on his operations under some name which does not sound at all like his own. You look surprised. That's the way I felt when I first found this out."

I ruminated. "But certainly he would not be fool enough to openly and notoriously and under our very noses begin the use of money dishonestly obtained almost the day after the commission of a crime of which he knows he has not absolved himself of?" I cried. LeDuc looked at me queerly.

(To Be Continued.)

**SCOTCH SETTLEMENT**

Nov. 24—The weather is very mild for so late in the season and those who have not finished ploughing are still at work.

Our farmers would like to hear of a market for their turnips as some very good crops were raised here. Some are complaining of them totting quite badly after being stored in the cellar. Mr. Jenkins, Edmundston, shot a very large deer one day last week. Our teacher, Miss Clara B. McCullough has quite recovered from her recent illness.

We are pleased to report that Harry Graham is able to be out again after a severe attack of jaundice.

Mr. Amos Mitchell had a frolic on Tuesday last, putting up a new wood house.

Mr. Dunbar Jones of Hawkinsville Corner was visiting Mrs. E. M. Jones recently.

Mr. Spafford Manzer of Millville, spent the week end in this place.

The lumbermen are beginning to get busy again. Robert Aiken of Fredericton is starting a crew at work on the Macnaquac where, during the summer, he had a large quantity of hemlock bark peeled.

The Ladies Auxiliary of the Congregational Church, Keswick Ridge, met at the home of Mrs. Geo. Hagerman on Wednesday last.

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Toronto News (Con) It is not denied that much sound legislation was enacted by the Laurier Administration. No Government could hold office for 15 years without passing many measures of high public and national value. The British preference was established. The Railway Commission was organized. The Lemieux act, still imperfect, was devised. There was co-operation in building the Pacific Cable. The Intercolonial Railway was extended to Montreal. The Montreal Harbor Commission was created. There was vigorous and continuous effort to settle the western prairies. A Civil Service Commission with authority over the departments at Ottawa was established. Many other timely and useful measures stand to the credit of the Government, arising out of changing conditions, and illustrating the common desire of public men to advance the national interests.

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