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"Can we reach the village before mass time?"

"No. We had better finish the journey on foot. My idea is to turn off somewhere at the bottom of the hill and just leave the horses. We can't very well quarter them on the priest as well as ourselves. Besides, it would cause much more gossip than if we were to arrive on foot. And gossip is dangerous."

On reaching the bottom of the hill, we turned off and rode a mile or so, when I saw a shed in a very lonely spot on a hill side. I slipped the saddles off and led the horses through a couple of fields and shut them into the barn.

"No one is likely to be there till tomorrow, so we may get them again this afternoon," I said.

I returned to Volna with the bridles. "There's a bit of feed on the place and that'll keep them quiet. Now we'll hide these things in the wood yonder; and leave the rest to chance."

I buried the saddles under a heap of brushwood, and we made our way back to the main road and soon reached the village.

"I feel disgracefully dirty," said Volna, as one or two of the villagers eyed us curiously.

"They'll only think we've come some distance to mass; and they are accustomed to the sight of dirty people about here."

Volna laughed. "Thank you. But even here the people wash themselves on Sunday."

"Here's the priest's house, next the church," I answered irrelevantly. We walked up to it and just as we reached the door it was opened by a woman bonneted and prayer book in hand.

I stepped inside without showing any hesitation; as if we were expected. "Good morning, is Father Ambrose in his study or already at church?"

"The Father is in church, sir. You can't come in, please," she replied, resenting our intrusion.

"I was afraid we should be just too late and too early," I said lightly to Volna. "He said before ten or after half-past twelve. But we couldn't manage it."

"Is the Father expecting you, sir?"

"Well, not exactly at this moment evidently, or he would have told you to be ready for us. But we can wait, and my sister will be greatly obliged to you if you can let her just wash her face and hands."

"I am on my way to mass, sir; the Father said nothing to me about your coming."

"So I see, my good soul. But did he not tell you we were likely to come for breakfast?"

"The Father fasts until mass on Sunday sir."

"Yes, of course, but I am not a priest; nor is my sister."

She hesitated and then led us into the study.

Volna threw herself with a sigh of fatigue on to one of the hand wooden chairs; took off her hat and with a smile exclaimed: "In the most natural way in the world: 'Dear Father Ambrose, he is one of my mother's dearest friends.'"

It was such apparently ingenious evidence of sincerity that the good woman was instantly and most favorably impressed.

"Excuse me a minute," she said and went out.

"How readily you tell them, Bob," said Volna, smiling.

"It was your getting that carried us through, young lady. Dear Father Ambrose indeed. As if you had known him all your life."

"I think she's going to let us stay," she came in again then, having taken off her bonnet. "Will you come with me?" she said to Volna, who rose. "The Father's dressing room is through there, sir," she added to me pointing to a door.

I made up of it promptly: washed and shaved and did what I could to make myself look less like a tramp, before I returned to the good man's study.

I must confess that the prospect of meeting him was vastly less to my taste now than it had appeared when we were twenty miles away, and I paced the floor considerably ill at ease.

Presently Volna came in, looking as neat and natty as if all the events of the past day and a half were a dream.

"How on earth did you manage it?" I cried, gazing at her in sheer admiration.

"That is the dearest old soul in whom nature ever planted the curiosity of a woman. She just fussed over me as though she was a hen and I her one chicken."

"You look as though you hadn't had anything to make you turn a hair for the last fortnight. The way you girls manage these renovations always beats me. Twenty miles away you said you wanted to go to bed; and here you are as fresh as paint."

"You said that before, but it isn't paint," she answered. "I've another feeling now than a desire to sleep."

"So have I—disinclination to meet the priest. Is that what you mean?"

She laughed and shook her head. "No, indeed, I mean a desire to eat. I was never so hungry in my life."

"It's a very human feeling; but I wish you hadn't said anything about it," I replied.

"I'm a very human individual, if it comes to that. I declare I could even relish some of that awful woman's black bread."

Most aptly the housekeeper came to tell us she had prepared some breakfast for us in the opposite room. "The good Father would have wished this," she said. "It is the best I can do for the moment."

Eggs, ham, potted meats, good white wheaten bread, butter and delicious coffee needed no sort of apology. It was like a feast for the gods in our famished eyes; and down we sat at once. We had nearly finished and were lingering over the coffee and laughing carelessly together at something which Volna had said—I had my cup in hand, I remember—when the door was opened all unexpectedly and the priest entered.

"I don't think I ever felt so foolish and confused in my life. I set the cup down, flushed to the roots of my hair, and rose with a most shame-faced, down-at-the-heel manner, stammering some kind of apology, as I met his gaze, protesting, surprised look."

But Volna came to the rescue with magnificent self-possession. Girls have these inspirations and beat us all hollow in such cases. Without a sign of awkwardness or self-consciousness she rose and went up to him, smiling winsomely.

"Father Ambrose, I am in sore trouble and have come to ask my dear mother's friend to help me."

It was an inspiration. Nothing less. All the protest died out of his eyes in the softest look of puzzled inquiry he bent on her.

"Your mother?" he repeated, so gently.

"I am Volna Drakona," he turned to me. "That was not the truth we told you yesterday. Before you condemn us, hear our story. My mother's peril was the reason. You will listen to me?"

"I do not understand, but your mother's child could never appeal to me for a hearing in vain. And this gentleman?"

"He is Mr. Robert Anstruther, an Englishman, who has risked his liberty and his life to help me."

I saw that this partial explanation only added to the good man's utter bewilderment. He stood looking from one to the other of us and then passed his hand slowly across his brow. Next he laid it gently on Volna's head and smoothed her hair while he gazed into her face.

"Yes, you must be her daughter. Come to my study and just tell me everything."

He opened the door for her and I was following when he turned and said courtously but with unmistakable significance: "I will speak with you afterwards, sir."

Then the door closed on them.

(To be continued.)

ANOTHER SCANDAL SHOWS AT OTTAWA

Liberal Contractor's \$300,000
Bill for Extras On P. E. I.
Bridge To Be Arbitrated by
Government Official.

Ottawa, Feb. 7.—When the house met today Mr. MacDonell, Toronto, called attention of the minister of the interior to a complaint put forward through a law firm in Toronto, that a party of Macedonians in their way to Canada were deported at Boston and not permitted to come to Canada.

The Macedonians in question, fourteen in number, were in Toronto and returned home. On their way back with some of their friends, the American immigration commissioner at Boston would not allow them to land, saying that Canada did not want them. They were sent to Liverpool from where they shipped to Canada and are now in Toronto. Mr. MacDonell also said that he had another complaint that on two occasions recently parties from Toronto were not allowed to go to Buffalo. This was causing considerable trouble and delay.

Dr. Reid, South Grenville, on motion to go into supply complained of the appointment of Mr. Schrieber as sole arbitrator into the claims for extras of Mr. Haney for building the Hillsboro bridge at Prince Edward Island. Mr. Schrieber was the man who had made the estimates for the bridge and he ought not to be appointed. The exchequer court was created for this purpose. The extras were more than \$300,000.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier thought Dr. Reid's remarks as being in very bad taste.

Mr. Fielding said that the deputy minister generally looked after such matters, but as Mr. Butler had been engineer for Mr. Haney, it was decided to appoint Mr. Schrieber.

Mr. Graham said that he appointed Mr. Schrieber because it was the practice of the department to appoint an engineer as arbitrator. Mr. Schrieber was capable, honest and a good arbitrator.

Mr. Bennett said that Haney was the head of the Liberal organization in Toronto.

Mr. Martin said that about three-fourths of the price of the bridge was a rake-off and there was a similar amount in the railway.

Mr. Henderson, Halton, said Canadians could not take pure bred livestock into the United States without paying a fee of \$100.

Mr. Fisher said this was correct and he made efforts to have it removed, as Canada had no such charge against the United States. The United States would not go behind their stock associations' back in this matter.

A resolution and bill granting \$2,850,000 for seed grain to settlers in Alberta and Saskatchewan were put through the house and will be assented to as early as possible. The regulations will be discussed later.

Daily Fashion Hint for Times Readers.



THE BEAUTY OF OSTRICH.

The ostrich accessories of the picture are in white and dull grey, to tone with the color of the velvet costume, which is the fashionable shade known as taupe, trimmed with Irish crochet and val lace. Neckpiece is one of the new flat ostrich stoles, white with a single pink rose trim.

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MAKING GOOD PROGRESS

Fish Forest and Game Preservation Society Rapidly Going Ahead.

The second meeting of the St. John branch of the New Brunswick Fish, Forest and Game Preservation Society was held last night in the board of trade rooms. It was a very enthusiastic gathering of more than seventy representative citizens. That the objects aimed at by the society appeal to the interests of all classes is clearly shown by the fact that since the first meeting the membership has increased from sixteen to more than 200.

At the meeting last night the president, F. H. Fewell, was in the chair. Many present spoke on the matters presented for consideration. Among others who addressed the gathering were: T. H. Estabrook; Dr. Geo. U. Hay; J. H. Estey; John White; F. McClure Sclanders; Frank Rankine; Dr. G. A. Hetherington; Ald. T. T. Lantlarn; Fishery Inspector Belyea and F. Q. Dowling. They pointed out that the society's objects appeal not only to the sportsmen of the province, but it is really an economic consideration and should interest the farmer, the lumberman and the dweller in the cities.

The State of Maine, it was shown, and it is a fish and game country inferior to New Brunswick, derives such a large income from licenses that during the late financial stringency in New York it was quite unaffected. The secretary of the society, Douglas C. Clinch, will be glad to have the names of any who wish to become members.

REVENUE LARGE; OUTLAY LARGER

What Is Shown By Canada's Financial Statement for Last Ten Months.

Montreal, Feb. 7.—The financial statement of the dominion for the month of January and for the first ten months of the current fiscal year shows an increase of \$94,337 in the total revenue for the last month, as compared with January, 1907, and an increase of \$9,574,542 for the ten months.

The total expenditure on consolidated fund account for the ten months was \$56,332,534, an increase of \$10,650,259. Of this increase \$2,032,244 is chargeable to January figures, payment of subsidies, increases to provinces amounting to \$1,500,000, and of interest charges on public debt totalling \$2,623,459, both falling due last month.

For the ten months the surplus of revenue over expenditure on consolidated fund account amounted to \$34,691,738.

The total expenditure on capital account, as entered on the books of the finance department up to Jan. 31, was \$22,545,492, of which \$7,446,675 was chargeable to public works, railways and canals. The total net debt of the dominion at the end of last month was \$250,244,015.

The Pastime Picture Company are again to the front with another lot of new pictures never before shown here. They will be shown this afternoon and evening. Against the Law is somewhat similar to the beautiful picture, Hatred. A Child's Dream puts Jules Verne in the background for impossible trips. The Adventures of a Beggar is full of comical situations, while The Youthful Hackschmidt is also very funny.

Hon. Wm. Pugsley is expected in the city at noon on Monday to attend the funeral of Judge Trueman.

"A hard chill, pain through the chest, difficult breathing." If this should be your experience, send for your doctor. It may be pneumonia! To doctor yourself would be too risky. If your doctor cannot come at once, give Ayer's Cherry Pectoral. When he comes, tell him of Ayer's Cherry Pectoral in the house, exactly what you have done.

On Tuesday a Key West despatch to Gloucester parties reported that five Nova Scotians were drowned off that coast, among them being the young man above named. The despatch was published and commented on in an obituary notice.

ALIVE AND WELL

Lunenburg Man Reported Drowned Did Not Sail on Vessel That Was Lost.

Lunenburg, N. S., Feb. 7.—The happiest people in Lunenburg today are George Blair and family. A letter received at noon by Mrs. Blair, dated Feb. 4, reads thus: "Dear Mother—No doubt you have heard of my being drowned. Don't believe it. I am very much alive. I shipped with others on the vessel to go to Mexico, but didn't go. She hasn't been heard from. Will write you later."

Yours, "BERT."

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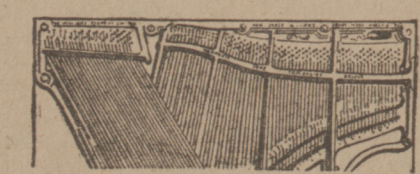
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