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## The KING OF DIAMONDS

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"Put 'arf that in a pint of water," he said, looking critically at the sodden mess of coffee, "an' when it comes to a bile let it settle. It'll surprise you to find 'ow grateful an' comfortin' it tastes on a cold night. As for the crusts, if you bake 'em over the fire, they're just as good as the risks you buy in tins."

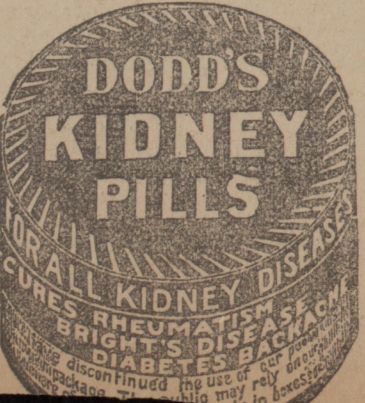
This good Samaritan had repeated his gift on two occasions, and Philip had a fairly large supply of small coal, sent to his mother by the colliery company, so his position, desperate enough, was yet bearable had he but sought to accustom himself to the new conditions of life. There was a chance that his wild broodings would have yielded to the necessity to earn a living, and that when next a situation was offered to him he would keep it, but the occurrences of this stormy night had utterly shaken him for the hour. He was on the verge of lunacy.

As he passed through the dark archway leading to his abode, the desolate stable yard was fitfully lit by lightning, and in the distance he heard the faint rumble of thunder. The elemental strife was beginning again. This was the second and more disastrous outbreak of the evening of March 19th.

Although wet to the skin he was warm now on account of his long and rapid walk. When he unlocked the door another flash of lightning revealed the dismal interior. He closed and locked the door behind him. On the mantelpiece were a farthing candle and some matches. He groped for them and soon had a light. On other occasions his next task was to light a fire. By sheer force of habit he gathered together some sticks and bits of paper and arranged them in the grate. But the task was irksome to him.

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## "How's Your Stomach?"

is the way people in China say "Good Morning." The greeting of almost every nation is an inquiry after health. The Chinese have the root of the matter. A strong stomach is the foundation. Look after this organ and the general health cares for itself. Man is so constituted it cannot be otherwise. It is the mission of

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by immersion in the dark compound, earned keener appreciation than was ever given in later days to the most costly dishes of famous restaurants yet unbuilt.

After he had eaten, he dried his damp garments and changed his soaked boots for a pair so worn that they scarcely held together. But their dryness was comforted by an odd feeling of contentment, largely induced by the grateful heat of the fire, rendered his actions leisurely. Quite half an hour elapsed before he thought of peeping through the back window to ascertain the progress of external events. The rain was not now pelting down with abnormal fury. It was still falling, but with the quiet persistence that marks—in London parlance—"a genuine wet day."

The steam had almost vanished. When he removed his coat from the broken panes he saw with surprise that the flagstones in the yard were dry within a circle of two feet around the hole made by the meteor. Such drops as fell within that area were instantly obliterated, and the rest of the yard from the hole itself betrayed the presence of the fiery object beneath. His boyish curiosity being, thoroughly aroused, he drew an old sack over his head and shoulders, unlocked a door which led into the yard from a tiny scullery, and cautiously approached the place where the meteor had plowed its way into the ground. The stones were littered with debris, but the velocity of the heavy mass had been so great that a comparatively clean cut was made through the pavement.

The air was warm, with the hot breath of an oven, and it was as much as Philip could bear when he stood on the brink of the hole and peeped in. At a good depth, nearly half a round ball height he estimated, he saw a round ball firmly imbedded in the earth. It was dully red, with its surface all cracks and fissures as the result of the water poured into it. Much larger than a football, it seemed to him, at first sight, to be a large eye of some evil demon glaring up at him from a dark socket. But the boy was absolutely a stranger to fear. He procured the handle of a mop and prodded the meteor with it. The sections broke hard and brittle. Large sections broke away, though they did not crumble, and he received a sharp reminder of the potency of the heat still stored below when the wood burst into sudden flame.

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## HOW TO BE BEAUTIFUL

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Two ounces of Rose Water, one ounce of Cologne Spirits and 4 ounces of Epsom (sulfate) will make a face wash that whitens, softens and beautifies the complexion and yet does not cause a particle of harm if used daily for years. Any druggist will sell you the articles needed in making this fine preparation. Put the Epsom in a pint of hot water (not boiling) and after it has dissolved strain and let cool, then add the Rose Water and Cologne Spirits. Women who use this face wash say they would not think of buying artificial coloring, rouges or cosmetics. The Epsom tones up the skin and gentle massaging brings out the natural color of youth. The preparation prevents or removes freckles, tan and sunburn. It repels dirt and dirt and eliminates every bit of the shine or gloss of perspiration. This face wash will not rub off or show and its use cannot be detected. While this recipe is simple, it is better to cut it out and file it for future reference rather than trust to memory.



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## Fashion Hint for Times Readers



WHITE LINGERIE FROCKS FOR SMALL MAIDENS.

When the little maiden of high society accepts an invitation to an afternoon party, or even to a very small and very evening dance, she knows that the question of what frock shall be worn is readily decided. In fact, most of her elaborate costumes are of white embroidery. These are composed of extremely wide flouncings, of narrow ruffles joined to form both skirt and blouse, or of handings. Sometimes applications, frillings and insertions of Valenciennes or chunx are added. These frocks are worn over white, pale rose, blue or maize taffeta or lawn slips, and they always match the shade of the party sash, shoulder knots and hair ribbons.

## DEALERS IN SECOND HAND BOXES MAKE A TIDY PROFIT

An Almost Unknown Line of Business in Boston—Where Boxes Come From and Where They go to After Treatment.

(Boston Globe.)

One of the almost unknown lines of business that is of some importance in Boston is the collecting and sale of second-hand boxes.

The business is of relatively recent growth, dating back perhaps a quarter of a century, but having reached its present basis in the last ten years. Its importance has been augmented, without doubt, by the rise in the price of lumber. Boxes cost probably 33 per cent. more now than ten years ago, and they are now that much more worth saving.

Besides this, there is a general tendency in trade to pay closer attention to little items of income than in earlier years, when items of income that are small, but when the business is less keen. Boxes, like bottles and barrels, are an important by-product in many lines of trade and a heavy item of expense.

There are now probably twenty dealers in boxes in Boston, and their combined yearly business cannot be much under \$100,000. A majority are peddlers, so-called, who collect boxes in wagons and sell them again, chiefly to the established dealers.

The regular dealers in boxes maintain places of business large enough to store considerable number of boxes of all sizes and also have storerooms not far from the city proper in which they keep their surplus stock.

In a short street near the docks, forming one side of a small triangle of land, such as might pass in Boston for a square, is the shop of one of the busiest of Boston's box merchants. He handles thousands of boxes monthly. His place of business is half concealed on busy days behind a barricade of boxes piled on the sidewalk.

This merchant watches the box trade pretty closely and finds it an index to trade in general. Hard times hit him as well as everybody else, and a little more quickly, for he is in touch with all branches of business. "The box business is a barometer, you might say," remarked this merchant recently. "When general business is good we have all we can do. When shipments fall off in jobbing places or retail stores we feel it."

"This temperance wave that has been going over New England has hurt our business. We sell thousands of small boxes to wholesale liquor houses. One concern buys 1,000 small boxes a month from us to ship bottles and jugs in. Most of its business is in Maine. In the last year that business has been poor and the demand for boxes from that house has dropped off a lot."

The box merchant caters to all kinds of business houses and deals in all sizes of boxes. He has regular customers from whom he gets his supply of boxes, and his teams collect the goods regularly.

The large jobbing houses dealing in dry goods, millinery and shoes supply most of the larger boxes or packing cases. They want them taken away, as a rule, as soon as they have been unpacked. Later the same houses may buy back their own boxes at a profit to the box dealer. The buyers are satisfied with this arrangement as they do not have room to store the boxes until they want them.

The packing-case is the highest priced box in the second-hand market. New it costs about \$1.50. At second-hand it brings 75 cents. Most American packing cases are made of spruce and are strong, but not very well put together. As a result they are often split or "wobbly" when they come into the hands of the box merchant. He makes them over or braces them up, as the case may be. It is a sick box indeed that the box dealer employed by the shoe and shoe store put into good shape, and if it is very far gone he saves part of it, perhaps a bottom or a side, and incorporates them into another box, thus making new boxes out of old ones.

The best made packing cases come from the shops of Japanese merchants. They are constructed of the corners and are very strongly built with a minimum of nails. Such a box is a product of cheap labor. No box manufacturer in this country could afford to make one like it. The wood is not superior to American hemlock, but the box comes to the second-hand dealer's shop after its trip half-way round the world in better shape than some domestic packing cases that may merely have made a trip from a mill in Lowell to a jobbing house in Boston.

Shoe cases are a staple with the box merchant. They are bought from both retailers and jobbers and are sold principally to the jobbers, who, like the dry goods and millinery men, often buy back their own cases. The merchant finds that shoe cases are getting poorer in quality every year. They

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