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A Mysterious Disappearance

By Gordon Holmes

A Great Detective Story

(Continued.)

During the solitary meal he was preoccupied, but more than usual, in the butler's judgment. Finding his own company distasteful, he denuded the November Handicap with the butler, and ultimately sent for a evening paper.

Opening it, the first words that caught his eye were, "Murder in the West End." He read the paragraph, the record of some tragic orgy, and turned to the butler.

"A lot of those beastly crimes have occurred recently, Thompson."

"Yes, Sir Charles. There's bin three since the beginning of the month."

"After a pause, 'Did you hear that her ladyship had gone to Richmond?'"

"Yes, Sir Charles."

"Do you know how she went?"

"No, Sir Charles."

"I wanted to see her tonight, very particularly. Order the brougham in ten minutes. I am going to the Travellers' Club. I shall be home soon—say eleven o'clock—when her ladyship arrives."

The baronet was driven to and from the club by his own coachman, but on returning to Wensley House was told that his wife was still absent.

"No telegram or message?"

"No, Sir Charles."

"I suppose she will stay with her sister all night, and I shall have a note in the morning to say so. Just like a woman. Now if I did that, James, there would be no end of a row. Anxiety, and that sort of thing, is a beastly fog, too."

An hour later Sir Charles Dyke left the library and went to bed.

At breakfast next morning the master of the house rapidly scanned the letters near his plate for the expected missive from his wife. There was none.

A maid was waiting. He sent her to call the butler.

"Look here, Thompson," he cried, "her ladyship has not written. Don't you think I had better write? It's curious, to say the least, going off to Richmond in his fashion, in a beastly fog, too."

Thompson was puzzled. He had examined the letters an hour earlier. But he agreed that a telegram was the thing.

Sir Charles wrote: "Expected to hear from you. Will you be home to lunch? Want to see you about some luncheon," and addressed it to his wife at her sister's residence.

"There," he said, turning to his coffee and salt. "That will fetch her. We are off to Leicestershire next week, Thompson. By the way, I am going to a sale at Tattersall's. Send a groom there with her ladyship's answer when it comes."

He had not been long at the sale yard when a servant arrived with a telegram.

"Ah, the post-office people are quick this morning," he said, smiling. He opened the envelope and read:

"Want to see you at once—Dick."

He was so surprised by the unexpected nature of the message that he read the words aloud mechanically. But he soon understood, and smiled again.

"Go back quickly," he said to the man. "Go back quickly to send along the next telegram."

A consignment of Waterford hunters was being sold at the time, and the baronet was checking the animals' descriptions on the catalogue, when he was cheerfully addressed.

"Hallo, Dyke, preparing for the shires, eh?"

Wheeling round, the baronet shook hands with Claude Brindley.

"Yee—that is, I am looking out for a couple of nice-manured ones for my wife. I have six eating their heads off at Market Harborough now."

Bruce hesitated. "Will Lady Dyke hunt this season?" he asked.

"Well, hardly that. But she likes to dodge about the lanes with the parson and the doctor."

"I only inquired because she told me last night that she would probably winter in the South of France."

"Told you—last night—South of France?" Sir Charles Dyke positively in his amazement gasped.

"Why, yes. I met her at Victoria. She was going to Richmond to see her sister, she said."

"I am jolly glad to hear it."

"Glad? Why?"

"Because I have not seen her myself since yesterday morning. She went off mysteriously, late in the afternoon, leaving a message with the servants. Naturally I am glad to hear from you that she got into the train all right."

The Times Daily Puzzle Picture



RIBBON WITH A VALENTINE PARTY FROCK.

This simple little dress of white muslin and lace can be changed in all sorts of ways by the addition of ribbon garnitures. Pompadour or warp printed Dresden ribbons are dressy in character and for a Valentine dance nothing could be prettier than a white frock trimmed with sash and shoulder bralettes of pompadour ribbon in a rosette pattern. The ribbon in the picture has a blue satin border and is so wide that straps of it almost cover the tops of the fluffy sleeves.

TEMPERANCE IN NOVA SCOTIA AS DISCUSSED BY H. R. GRANT

Very Strong Anti-License Sentiment in That Province—Fifteen Counties Under Local Prohibition as Given by the Scott Act and the Prohibitive Sections of the Liquor License Act—Local Prohibition is Not Stringent Enough and is Full of Loop Holes—A Uniform Provincial Law With Government Enforcement Called For by Nova Scotia Alliance.

H. R. Grant, secretary of the Nova Scotia Temperance Alliance, in an interview says that as evidence of the very strong sentiment against the liquor traffic there are fifteen counties in the province in which no license is granted for the sale of liquor. For many years an agitation has been kept up by the churches and various temperance organizations, and temperance sentiment is being continually strengthened. At no time in the history of the province has there been as much effort along moral suasion lines as at present.

In three counties—Halifax, Cape Breton and Richmond—the liquor traffic is licensed.

In the no-license counties, excepting in the towns, very little liquor is sold. In some of the towns there is, notwithstanding the strong sentiment against the bar-room, open violation of the liquor laws. The chief reason for this lies in the inefficiency of our laws. An ounce of good law is better than a ton of sentiment in fighting the traffic. We are in need of good law—the sentiment is all right.

A few of the many defects in our laws are:

1. Permission to inspectors to enter action repeatedly for first offence. The effect, in practice, is a system of license.
2. Option given to magistrates to impose fine or jail penalty in Scott act for first and second offences. The second offence should be imprisonment and fine.
3. Uselessness of search warrant in Scott act after 9 p.m., and limited power of seizure.
4. Insufficient penalties. An occasional fine of \$50 amounts to a very small license fee.
5. Impossibility of dealing with clubs in which liquor is dispensed. Many clubs in the province are the worst kind of schools of temperance.
6. Liberty of appeal on trifling technicalities, rather than on the merits of the case.
7. Lack of strong enforcing power. The government should enforce the liquor law. The Scott act and the prohibitive provisions of the license act have been of service in suppressing to a great extent the sale of liquor in these no-license counties, but at a great expenditure of money and energy. With up-to-date legislation, remedying the above mentioned and other defects, it would be a difficult task to completely abolish the traffic.

Under the liquor license act we, as a people, protect in any county, and especially in the city of Halifax, licensees who, by virtue of this act, are engaged in the liquor trade. We guarantee them rights accorded to men in any other legitimate business so long as they observe the license law.

There is one provision of the act which is manifestly unjust, in that it deprives the ratepayers of the city of Halifax as a whole, from having a voice in the granting of licenses. The city is divided into thirty-nine sections, and the ratepayers of a particular section, however few in number, may control the situation and perpetuate the traffic, even should it be banished from every one of the other thirty-nine sections. It would take too much space at present to show of what advantage this act in this respect is to the liquor interests, but the viciousness of it will be seen by reference to conditions in one section. Take section A, Ward III. Here there are 63 resident ratepayers. Only three-fifths of these, or 39 persons, were required for the obtaining of the eleven licenses in that section.

Take one other illustration. Seventy-four licenses in the city are granted on the requisition of 290 ratepayers. The sections seem to have been so divided as to insure results for the liquor interests—minority rule.

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HOW TO CURE A HEADACHE

To attempt to cure a headache by taking a "headache powder," is like trying to stop a leak in the roof by putting a pan under the dripping water. Chronic headaches are caused by poisoned blood. The blood is poisoned by tissue waste, undigested food and other impurities remaining too long in the system. These poisons are not promptly eliminated because of sick liver, bowels, skin or kidneys.

If the bowels do not move regularly—if there is pain in the back showing kidney trouble—if the skin is sallow or disfigured with pimples—it shows clearly what is causing the headache.

"Fruit-atives" cure headaches because they cure the cause of headaches. "Fruit-atives" act directly on the three great eliminating organs—bowels, kidneys and skin. "Fruit-atives" keep the system free of poisons.

"Fruit-atives" come in two sizes—25c. and 50c. If your dealer does not have them write to Fruit-atives Limited, Ottawa.

"BELL AND I ARE MARRIED," HOPE IT IS ALL RIGHT

Cupid Springs a Surprise on the President of Chicago's Board of Education.

Chicago, Jan. 27.—Cupid has presented a surprise to President Otto C. Schneider, of the Board of Education.

While Mr. Schneider was busy supervising the needs of 150,000 schoolboys, his son, George August Schneider, a law student at Harvard, stole a march on him by getting married, Miss Belle Kohler, of Dorchester, Mass., is the bride.

The first intimation Mr. Schneider had of the wedding came in a telegram which read: "Belle and I are married; hope it's all right."

"Well, what do you know about that?" exclaimed the school board official. Mr. Schneider stopped work long enough to communicate with his wife and together they prepared a telegram assuring their son that it "was all right" but advised him to remain at Harvard until he finished his course.

Boston, Mass., Jan. 27.—The marriage of George August Schneider, son of President Schneider of the Board of Education of Chicago, and Miss Belle Kohler, daughter of Aaron J. Kohler, a leather merchant, of this city took place at Mr. Kohler's home in Dorchester, Jan. 24 last with no effort on the part of the bride's parents to keep it secret. Mr. Kohler stated today that he presumed that young Schneider's family had been notified.

Boils and Pimples

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Mr. S. J. Weir, River-view, Ont., writes:—"Last summer I had nineteen boils on my neck and back. I was off work for over two weeks. I took everything I could think of but to no effect. I got a bottle of Burdock Blood Bitters and before I had used half the bottle the boils were gone. I took the rest of it, however, and I have not had a boil since."

Mrs. W. J. Cranston, St. Mary's, Ont., writes:—"I was troubled with pimples on my face for a couple of years and tried a good deal of patent medicine, but they were not of much use. Finally I used four bottles of Burdock Blood Bitters and am now entirely cured."

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A WINNIPEG COMPANY TO MAKE AEROPLANES

F. J. Alderson Has Perfected an Engine Which is Likely to Revolutionize These Experiments.

Winnipeg, Jan. 27.—(Special)—A company is being organized here to manufacture aeroplanes under patents obtained by F. J. Alderson, while he was studying in France. Mr. Alderson is believed to have perfected an engine which is likely to revolutionize these experiments.

A PECULIAR CASE

Kalamazoo Man Who is Suffering From a Rare Form of Insanity.

Kalamazoo, Mich., Jan. 27.—Clara Vandervall, who has been admitted as a patient in the State Insane Asylum, is suffering from a rare form of insanity. When spoken to his body becomes rigid and relief seems to come only with the feeling that he is entirely unnoticed. Even when left alone and unobserved, he changes his position but little. When arraigned in court he stood an hour with one arm outstretched, without uttering a word. Food is administered to him at regular intervals by force.

A TENDERLOIN TRAGEDY

Burlesque Actress Killed by an Admirer Who Then Committed Suicide.

Philadelphia, Pa., Jan. 27.—Mae Kenney, a burlesque actress, twenty years old, was shot and almost instantly killed at a late hour last night by an unknown young man who was infatuated with her. He then fired a bullet into his brain, dying shortly after arriving at a hospital.

The identity of the murderer and suicide is unknown to the friends of the dead actress. Last night they went to a theatre. After the show they visited a furnished room house in the Tenderloin district. They hardly entered an upstairs room when two shots were heard. Upon investigation the couple were found lying on the floor of the room. The man had a bullet wound in his temple and the woman was shot at the base of the skull.

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REFUSE DAMAGES TO SLEETH AND GORDON NO LAST MINUTE CANDIDATES THIS TIME

St. John Wins an Appeal Case in the Supreme Court—Judge McLeod's Assessment Final.

Fredericton, N. B., Jan. 27.—The supreme court this afternoon bowled out the case of Sleeth and Gordon vs. the City of St. John without calling upon Skinner, K. C., counsel for the city. Mr. McKeown, K. C., moved in both cases to increase the damages assessed by Justice McLeod, but he was stopped by the argument when he was stopped by the court and told that the assessment by Judge McLeod was final and would not be increased. The court promised to look into the question of costs.

E. N. Hener Coy, Ltd. vs. Birmingham, Carvell and Jones, K. C.'s, moved to set aside the verdict for plaintiff and enter a verdict for the defendant, or for a new trial. Teed, K. C., contra. Court considers.

The appeal docket will be taken up tomorrow.

ANNUAL MEETING OF FAIRVILLE CHURCH

The annual meeting of St. Columba Presbyterian church in Fairville was held last night. The reports presented showed that the past year has been a very successful one with the congregation. The accounts were audited, found correct and passed.

The following board of trustees were elected: Dr. M. J. Macfarland, John Gale, Daniel Campbell, William Stinson and John Macfarland.

METHODIST CHAPLAINS TO MEET IMMIGRANTS IN MARITIME PORTS

Toronto, Jan. 27.—The Canadian Methodist missionary executive decided to appoint immigration chaplains to meet strangers at St. John, Halifax and Quebec during the months of open navigation. Arrangements will be made as soon as possible.

It was further decided to carry on negotiations with representatives of other churches to arrange for some Protestant clergyman to be aboard every large steamship leaving Liverpool with immigrants for Canada.

PUGSLEY IS WORKING FOR CIVIL SERVANTS

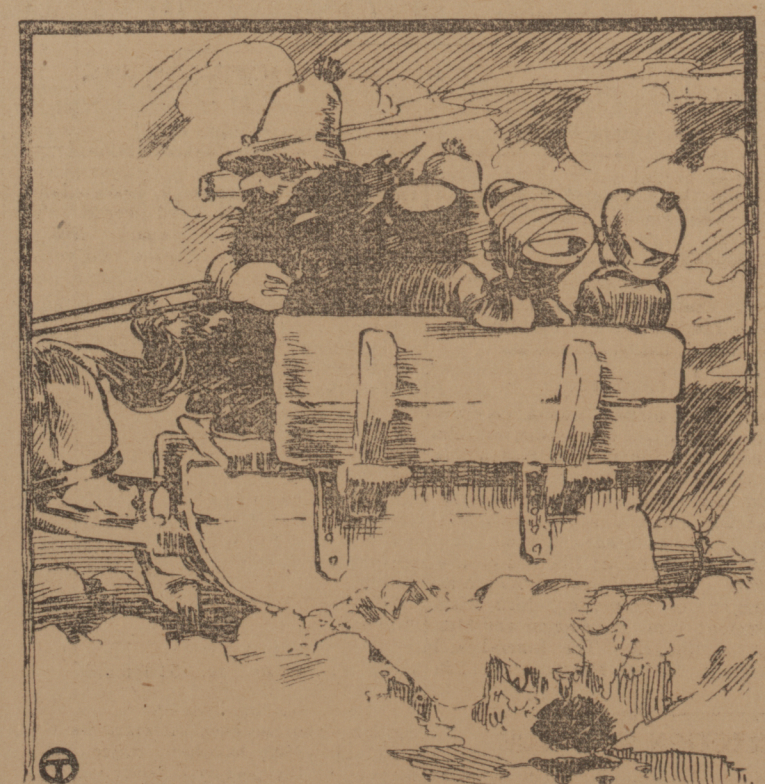
Ottawa, Jan. 27.—Hon. Dr. Pugsley has taken up the case of the civil servants whose salaries the city council proposes to tax. The minister has written the board of control, reminding that body of the city's agreement made with the government in 1885. He intimated that it was not the intention of the city to adhere to the terms of that contract granting exemption to civil servants in return for several things the government promised, he would consider it his duty to lay the matter before his colleagues for them to talk over.

The board of control has asked for an interview with the minister to discuss the question.

The Evening Journal, Conservative, commenting upon the situation, observes: "Apropos of the civil service income taxation it does look as though the Hon. William Pugsley has the city council in a hole."

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