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By Hudson Douglas

(Continued)

A cross-town car had fouled a laden wagon at Forty-second street, and the smooth stream of traffic thus interrupted, its backwash was already blocking the avenue. In front of the Night and Day Bank a choked congestion of foot-passengers was shuffling impatiently, fretted by the sudden sense of restraint thus imposed upon them. Quaintance suffered the closer contact of his near neighbors with unruffled equanimity, and was pushed aside, uncomplainingly, by those in more haste than himself.

Progressing impatiently, step by step, he had almost reached his objective when the blockade broke, and the stream flowed on again, urgent, impetuous, with added weight. Edging through it toward the careless content with circumstances. The bank, his errant glance was arrested and held, for a moment, by a face which had come through the doorway, and passed him at speed, to be swallowed up instantaneously in the dense, moving mass of humanity on the broad sidewalk.

"The deuce!" said Quaintance, and stopped short, struggling to hold his own there against the oncome of others.

"The deuce!" said he, and turned, as speedily as he might in the press, prodigiously anxious to find out which way she had gone. But he could by no means discover again the girl who, save but for the shimmer of unshed tears in her eyes, was outwardly even as he had imagined his ideal of girlhood.

He hung on one heel indeterminately, and underwent then all the jostling he could have desired. But he was as indifferent to that as to the objurgations of other pedestrians who had made up their own minds where they wanted to go. He could not immediately judge whether it would be better to go north, or south, in pursuit, was more than a little bewildered by the strange sensation which had so assailed him at sight of her.

And when he at length hurried first south then north, all his late efforts proved futile. Fate, intant, initent, had bided its time, shot its bolt, and gone back into hiding.

He came to a halt at a cross street corner, and stared very vexedly up and down. He was no longer so well disposed toward his fellowmen, that multitude in whose midst he had lost all trace of the face which had come 'twixt himself and his next who pushed past him was strongly repelled, and after an irate glance of appraisal, went his way more carefully, muttering.

"The deuce!" said Quaintance for the third time, a faint smile effacing the frown on his forehead as he saw the other look back loweringly. "I seem to be making myself unpopular. What in creation's come over me?"

But no one answered his inquiry. The brownstone facade of the house before him met his gaze with blank, secretive indifOn every side he was hemmed in by high walls, all equally impenetrable.

The thought of the teeming city brought him now only a sense of oppression and loneliness, an understanding that all about him, while he saw nothing, there were in progress those myriad mysteries which make up what men call life. He was overcome by a most disconcerting certainty that he had somehow made a fool of himself.

"Confound it!" he rapped out wrathfully. "I must be wrong in the head. I don't know how else I came to be here, chasing round after a strange girl like a stray Bedlam when I ought to be at the bank."

He wheeled about and strode down the avenue very determinedly. It was surely absurd and impossible to allow any such fugitive glimpse of a face, no matter how fair, to interfere with his own hard-won peace of mind. He resolutely strove to erase its blurred outline from his memory to dismiss from his mind all recollection of its misty, sea-sweet eyes. He was no gallant adventurer among women. . . .The girl could be nothing to him . . .

And, although he lingered a little as he passed the spot from which he had seen her, when he at last entered the Night Day Bank, it was with his old-good-humored, leisurely air of detachment from difficulty. As far as his outward appearance went he had not a care in the world.

The process of opening an account there was not unduly lengthy or complicated. He had neither introduction nor references, but he had, what was probably more to the point, negotiable sight drafts for a very satisfactory sum. The Night and Day Bank asked him two or three pertinent questions, and undertook to collect that for him, which done he would be welcome to call for a check-book at his convenience. It also requested that he record his signature in its registers for future reference.

He did so, subscribing himself in a bold hand, "A Newman," endorsed the drafts, in the same name, and, having laid down the pen, produced from a waistcoat-pocket a small chamois-leather case.

"I'd like to leave this with you too," he said carelessly to the banker, who raised his eyebrows in quick surprise when he saw what the case contained.

"My dear Mr. Newman!" he protested gravely. "You surely don't realize the risk you run in carrying such valuables loose in your pockets. The least skilful thief on Fifth Avenue might easily have relieved you of them and—you no doubt came through the crowd with your coat wide-open? It's very evident that you're a newcomer in New York!"

His client smiled pleasantly.

"I've carried them loose in my pockets for over a year," he asserted, "and in much more dangerous places than Fifth Avenue. But the main point is that they're safely here, and here I want them to stay—if you'll keep them for me. There are only two, and I'll take your receipt for a stated value of forty thousand apiece, if you're agreeable.

"They're worth more than that, of course," said the banker, examining with critical acumen the lambent, rose-colored stones which Quaintance had pushed across to him, and their owner nodded.

"Yes, a good deal more," he agreed easily.

"We'll put them in safe deposit for you, Mr. Newman," suggested the man of money, and so it was settled. The two-rose diamonds were thus securely bestowed, and Mr. "Newman" having pocketed the key to their situation, and promised to look in again at an early date, departed on the best of terms with the Night and Day Bank and himself. It was no slight relief to be rid of the care of his assets in life, and, for all his nonchalance, the safeguarding of these had cost him some anxious moments since he had acquired them. He was also pleased that the name he had given had passed unchallenged and the facility with which it had been accepted encouraged him to believe that his old identity was by so much the more safely interred with the past.

"So, let's see," he said very cheerfully to himself as he left the highly respectable institution which would presently be in a position to vouch for his new one, "Let's see about something to eat and drink, somewhere not too dull. I want to wash the taste of frozen ship's food out of my mouth, and my first meals ashore might as well be an eatable one.

Mr. Newman's health in a bottle of sparkling Burgundy, at some cool spot on the seashore of Bohemia, would just about fill the bill. And we'll reach that part of the world along the Rialto, if I haven't lost all sense of locality. This crowd's too correct to amuse me tonight—"

He thought once more and for the last time as he boarded a Forty-second street car, of the girl with the troubled eyes he had seen on Fifth Avenue.

"I wish she had just looked round," he concluded regretfully, and dropped off at the corner of Broadway. "But it's too late now to mourn over that mischance. Fate—and Fifth Avenue have been too much for me after all. I don't believe I'd know her again if I saw her."

He laughed inwardly.

"'Romance is dead,'" said he to himself. "What an ass I am!"

Broadway was no less busy than Fifth Avenue, and Quaintance, once more in the mood to enjoy its kaleidoscopic variety, strolled down the Street of Illusions, regarding its denizens and their doings with admiration unfailing.

His brushed shoulders with blue-shaven actors and smart soubrettes, inhaled an atmosphere of patchouli and cheap cigarettes, was well content to mix with the mob, to yield precedence to those with less time to spare than himself. The spectacle of the rush hour at Herald Square afforded him great gratification. He took a grave interest in all the up-to-date window displays he passed. Sometimes he thought of purchasing, for the sake of a new sensation, but wisely refrained. As dusk began to come down, and the blaze that is Broadway's boast was deftly switched on, he called to mind many nights he had spent in Africa without so much as a fire for light and company, and the present contrast was so much the more acceptable. He jingled his loose change joyously and was glad of the glare.

He caught sight of a well-known actress in her coupe, and she caught sight of him simultaneously. He saw her lips part in a faint smile as she dropped her eyes, and at the same time a flashily-dressed individual descended upon him from the steps of a hotel much frequented by sportsmen of a certain calibre.

"Hello, Cap!" began that ill-advised follower of thec hase, accommodating his steps to Quaintance's, "I'm a stranger in town like yourself, and——"

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CITY COUNCIL HAD A FOUR HOUR SESSION YESTERDAY

Will Petition the Legislature Against the $600 Exemption of Incomes— Assessment Passed at $130,735—Grants Cut in Half and the Re-organization Committee Discharged

In a four hours' session yesterday, the common council disposed of most of the business on the agenda. The new assessment bill and the other bills were referred to the general committee with power to act. The annual assessment amounting to $130,735 was passed. Reduced grants as recommended were given the Horticultural Association and other societies. The reorganization committee, after four of its recommendations had been struck out, was discharged. The bill to increase the daily supply of water to be taken from Loch Lomond was approved. Sewerage maintenance was put back as a charge on general assessment.

A petition against the proposed legislation to exempt $600 incomes will be forwarded to the governor-in-council. The recommendation to notify F. A. Barbour that the city considered he has finished his work on the Loch Lomond extension and that the whole water service should be handed to the city engineer was adopted. A motion by Ald. Frink for an investigation into charges that the material used in the concrete pipe was defective was ruled out of order and may come up as new business in general committee. The mayor presided, and the full council was present, with the common clerk.

On the report of the board of works being taken up, the tender of Peter Roberts' scow for $5,601 for completing the Wiggins wharf was accepted by a two-thirds vote.

The balance of the report was passed except the section recommending that Minette street be changed to Queen street, which was referred back.

The first eight sections of the water and sewerage board's report were adopted. Ald. Holder and Hamm pleaded for a catch basin in each of their wards when the others were passed, but were persuaded to allow the matter to stand until the next meeting.

A section recommending that the Protestant Orphan Asylum and St. Vincent's Orphanage be assessed $1 a year for water rates was struck out.

The report of the water and sewerage board was adopted as were also the first six sections of the treasury boards report.

Ald. Baxter moved reduced grants of $2,000 to the Horticultural Association, $250 to Riverview Park, $375 to the Tourist Association, and $200 to the Every Day Club. The Victorian Order of Nurses, he said, had $1,000 which was not paid last year and the Free Kindergarten and playgrounds committee had not applied. As only $2,700 remained available in general revenue after the proper charges for interest and sinking fund had been made, the grants could not be increased. The council had no power to assess for grants and the only way they could be increased would be by taking part of the interest and sinking fund into direct taxation.

After some discussion the section was adopted.

A section added to the report to memorialize the governor-in-council to promote legislation to provide that the financial business of the board of school trustees be handled through the chamberlain's office, was adopted.

In the safety board's estimates, increases for extra lights and policemen were struck out. An item of $1,000 to provide salaries for nine substitute firemen was passed.

Other items, including $10,000 to provide for deficiency in revenues from the ferry service, were adopted without discussion.

The total assessment amounted to $130,735. The estimates of the school trustees amounting to $125,957, were adopted.

Ald. Baxter said a delegation representing the civil servants, he should say the citizens, had been promised an answer to a request for the exemption of $600 incomes. He would move that a petition be forwarded to the legislature asking that no such legislation be granted. It was impossible to consider such a proporal for a moment at the present time.

The motion was carried unanimously.

The report of the safety board was taken up.

The expenditure of $2,000 on hydrants was left to the director.

An amendment by Ald. Baxter increasing the limit of expenditure on a hose house at the corner of Minette and Victoria streets to $5,000 and providing that it be built large enough to accommodate a spare engine, was adopted.

The section for new lights was struck out and the remainder of the report was adopted.

The order of business was suspended to permit Ald. Baxter to give notice for the issue of $146,000 four per cent. debentures covering past expenditures on Nos. 5 and 6 wharves, the Loch Lomond extension, the Milford water main and other items. This issue will make the total debenture issue of the city slightly more than $5,000,000.

Reports from the ferry and appeals committees were adopted.

The report of the reorganizing committee was taken up.

The first section recommending the appointment of an assistant engineer was struck out on an amendment by Ald. Baxter.

The second section, recommending the removal of the water and sewerage offices to city hall and the erection of an elevator, was sent back for the committee on improvements at city hall to report.

The third section, recommending the removal of the barns and stables to the Pettingill property, was struck out, it being considered that the property was too valuable for that purpose.

The fourth section, recommending that the assessors make up the water assessment, was rejected.

The fifth section, recommending the appointment of a board of control elected by the citizens, was ruled out of order by the mayor, as the matter was already on the table.

The committee was discharged.

Copies of the Navy Island bridge bill were ordered sent to the minister of public works.

Hurd Peters, C. E., was reappointed director of the board of works for another month.

On motion of Ald. Pickett the report of the bills and by-laws committee as well as unfinished business was referred to the general committee, with power to act.

The common clerk was directed to write Miss Mabel Peters that the city could not take over control of the playgrounds for want of funds.

Other communications were referred to the boards.

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Andover, March 29.—(Special)—The preliminary investigation before Police Magistrate McQuarrie into the charges implicating the three Italians—Sandy Murray and Andrew and James Hatch—has been postponed until Wednesday morning.

ONE OF THE PARKS EXPECTED TO BOOM

Either Rockwood or Seaside Park will Become Very Popular This Season

Will it be Rockwood or Seaside Park this summer? One or the other of these public playgrounds is likely to boom and which it will be seems as yet to be undecided.

A meeting has been arranged between representatives of the Frank White Catering Company and the street railway officials when the situation will be discussed. Until after this meeting nothing definite will be known as to the plans for the coming season. It is possible that some of the attractions now at Rockwood may be transferred to Seaside.

In any event the Rockwood pavilion will be opened for dispensing refreshments, there will be boats for hire on the lake and fishing will probably be allowed under somewhat similar rules as last summer.

The need of extending the street railway to Rockwood was again emphasized by G. S. Fisher in an interview last evening.

THE GIRL FOOLED HIM.

Howell—Rowell married for money.

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A WINDFALL OF MILLIONS

Heiress to Great Fortune at 63—The Extraordinary Romance of Mrs. Elizabeth Bird, a Poor Northampton Woman

London, March 29—An extraordinary romance, as the result of which a woman in poor circumstances finds herself the heiress to a great fortune, is revealed by investigation in connection with the following telegram from New York—

"The members of the family of the late Mr. Samuel H. Roebuck, the millionaire wire manufacturer of New York, threaten to contest his will, which was filed for probate recently. Under this, Mrs. Elizabeth Bird, wife of Mr. Richard Bird, of Northampton, England, described as the testator's daughter, is the principal beneficiary. The dissatisfied relatives maintain that Mr. Roebuck never mentioned having any daughter in England."

Mrs. Bird, our Northampton correspondent states, is an aged woman in humble circumstances, living at 48t, Green-street, where her husband carries on a small bakery business. News of her unexpected fortune, which is stated to be over $2,500,000, had naturally thrown her into a state of intense excitement, mingled with fits of weeping. She is the natural daughter of the dead millionaire, who left her and her mother more than fifty years ago practically destitute.

Seven years ago, however, Mr. Roebuck communicated with his sister, Miss Roebuck of Richmond-road, Leicester, asking her to find Mrs. Bird. She did so, and thereafter Mr. Roebuck paid her $5 a week. In a letter to Mrs. Bird a year ago, beginning: "My dear daughter," the millionaire said he had been married four times, and added, "It was no fault of mine I did not marry your dear mother. When my first wife died I sent my brother John to England on business to bring her back so that I could wed her, but he was stuck up, and would not consent to admit anyone into the family without schooling."

Mrs. Bird has had fifteen children. Ten are living, one of them being the champion swimmer of Northampton. When asked what she would do with her fortune, Mrs. Bird said:

"I shall have a nice house, a pony and trap, and a woman in to do my housework. But I have not got the money yet, and until I do I shall go on working. It has come rather too late for me really to enjoy it," she added, with a sob, "because I am now sixty-three; but, thank Heaven, it will enable us to have an easier time, than we have had all our lives, for I've known what it was to go around with atruck selling bread."

Mrs. Bird is very popular in the poor neighborhood in which she resides for her readiness to help out of her humble means any in poorer circumstances. News of her good fortune brought crowds of her poor neighbors to congratulate her. The other night she took a cab and drove to the offices of a local firm of solicitors, and then returned to her husband's shop to help in selling bread and faggots, for which there was an extra demand from curious persons in the neighborhood.

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Mrs. D. A. Francisco, Rossland, B.C., writes: "I was suffering from stomach trouble of the worst kind for about four years. Everything I ate seemed a burden to carry. I always arose in the morning with a sickening and feverish taste in my mouth and was also troubled with swellings in my hands and feet, which my physician said was due to the disordered state of my stomach. I tried everything that was purchasable, and also consulted two or three physicians, but could find no relief until one of my neighbors told me of a wonderful cure by Burdock Blood Bitters. I used altogether ten bottles and am now perfectly cured. I wish to recommend B.B.B. to anyone who may be so unfortunate as I was.

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A PRESENTATION IN THE EVERY DAY CLUB

J. Wendall McCosh, Retiring Secretary, is Presented with an Address and Valuable Souvenir

At a meeting of the Every Day Club last evening, A. W. Covey was elected secretary-treasurer, to succeed J. Wendell McCosh, who is soon to remove from the city. The club presented to Mr. McCosh an address, expressing the deep regret of the members at his departure. He was also made the recipient of a souvenir. Among those who spoke words of appreciation were the president, Messrs. Sheppard, Cother, Foster, Humbert, Rev. A. B. Cohoe, Rev. Geo. Titus, H. W. Belding, and R. H. Parsons, of the west side Every Day Club. Mr. McCosh very feelingly responded.

Thanks were voted to R. S. Edgecombe for a large earthen water-jar bearing the superscription, "Good Health, Every Day Club." Mr. Edgecombe and Robert Foster had already provided for the club a handsome cabinet with glass doors, to hold the books of the circulating library which the club is getting together.

A. W. Covey announced that the club would have a fine track team in this year's athletics, and there was an interesting talk on that subject, and on the improvements to be made in the grounds.

Thanks were voted to Messrs. Jones, Barker, Neill and Dixon for constructing a complete folding screen for the stage. A number of new members joined the club.

The fife and drum band will meet for practice this evening. An effort is being made to form a small orchestra.

At last night's meeting a number of members told of the great benefit the club had conferred upon them in giving a new turn to their thoughts and lives. Mr. McCosh was deeply affected by the address to himself, and in his reply said that he owed the club and its members much for giving a better direction to his own life.

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MRS. BOYLE MAY BE GIVEN HER FREEDOM

Woman in Whitla Kidnapping Case May Not Be Prosecuted

Mercer, Pa., March 29—The preliminary hearing and safe return to the Mercer jail of James H. Boyle and the rumor that his woman companion may entirely escape prosecution and soon regain her liberty, are the developments of the day in the Whitla kidnapping case. No one but James Boyle had any fears for his safety today when he was taken to Sharon for arraignment, but he was badly frightened. Quivering with fear and nervously begging the officers for protection, he faced a crowd of hundreds of persons attracted merely by curiosity, and is happier tonight in his cell than he has been since his arrest. Dreading the return to his home town, Boyle was very nervous last night and slept little. He was scarcely able to murmer the words waiving a hearing in the court room and almost collapsed at the station when five hundred persons surrounded the patrol wagon where he was awaiting the arrival of the train for Mercer.

The opinion is spreading among the people of this county that Mrs. Boyle will not be prosecuted, but that she will be very soon quietly eliminated from the case and be allowed to depart. There is said to be nothing whatever to connect her with the abduction and as she absolutely refuses to aid the local officials in the slightest, the supposition is that she will soon be free.

ONTARIO'S ESTIMATES

Supplementaries of $417,917 Voted in the Provincial House Yesterday.

Toronto, March 30—(Special)—The provincial treasurer yesterday brought down a batch of supplementary estimates calling for an additional expenditure of $417,917. The chief item is $150,000 for a new provincial prison. Another item of importance is $50,000 for a road from Charlton to Gowganda, the new silver region. The main estimates for 1910 call for $6,508,000. Following are the principal items: Civil government $577,835; legislation, $253,550; administration of justice $665,668; education, $1,681,886; public institutions, $1,203,876; hospitals and charities, $307,950; charges on crown lands, $507,300; miscellaneous, $268,850. The contemplated expenditure for 1910 is two millions less than the total expenditure for last year.

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GIRL ABDUCTED FROM CONVENT

Aided by Private Detective, Mother Carries Her Away In Motor Car

Paris, March 29—The hearing of an extraordinary case of abduction was begun Saturday in the Ninth Correctional court.

Mme Bassot, the wife of General Bassot, a member of the Academy of Sciences and director of the conservatory at Nice, was charged with having carried off her own daughter by force and deprived her of her liberty. A private detective named Medard was charged with aiding and abetting the abduction.

According to the story of the prosecution, the young woman some time ago expressed a yearning for a conventual life; and besought her parents to allow her to enter a religious house. The parents were opposed to this. Later on the religious communities were dissolved, and for the time being the daughter had to abandon her project.

She next made the acquaintance of Mlle de la Motte, who belonged to a disbanded religious order of nuns. Mlle. de la Motte had been conducting at Reuil, near Paris, a house or lay conventual establishment called the Maison Sociale, and the girl made up her mind that she would enter the Maison Sociale. She disappeared, and it was ascertained that she had gone there.

The mother, in despair, decided upon a desperate measure. She hired a swift automobile and a couple of sturdy hospital attendants and, having arranged with the director of a private asylum at Geneva for the reception there of her daughter, waylaid the young woman as she was leaving church one morning. The two attendants overpowered and lifted her into the automobile, which then set out at full speed, for the frontier. On the way the "prisoner" made several attempts to escape. Whenever the automobile stopped she shouted for help, but the attendants, with a gesture and the whispering of the word lunatic, contrived to disarm suspicion.

Once, however, the young woman jumped from the car. A hot chase across some open country ended in her being recaptured. But, in the meantime, and without being detected, she had scribbled a hasty note, and sent it addressed to her lawyer in Paris. She gave it to a peasant, and asked that he would be good enough to post it. He did so, and it was to this that she owes her liberty.

Mlle. Bassot spent the night in the Geneva asylum, the director being under the impression that she had been certified as unsound of mind. But on the receipt of a telegram from her lawyer he lost no time in setting her at liberty.

The mother today admitted that she was responsible for her daughter's abduction and incarceration, and pleaded that she did this in order to remove her from the influence of Mother Mercedes. The detective's defence was that he considered Mme. Bassot was acting rightly and that, in consequence, he gave her moral support.

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AN ADMIRAL DEAD

Washington, D. C. March 29—Rear Admiral George A. Converse died at his home here tonight of uraemic poisoning. Although placed on the retired list several years, ago, he was in active service at the time of his death, being president of the board of construction of the navy. He was confined to his home only a few days before his death, the immediate cause of which, uraemic poisoning, set in only a a day ago.

THAT WOULD FIX HIM.

Ella—What would you do if you actually found a man under your bed?

Stella—I'd drop my hat on him.

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