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A Mysterious Disappearance

By Gordon Holmes

A Great Detective Story

(Continued.)

"Do you go out much to theatres, now, Bruce?"

"Very little. It is lonely by oneself, and there are so few plays worth seeing."

Bruce wondered why she insisted so strongly upon the isolation of her existence. In his new-found sympathy for her, he questioned, and she continued:

"When I do visit a theatre I am usually met mostly by silent criticism of the actors and actresses. Not that I could do better than many of them, or half so well, but it passes the time."

"I hope you do not regard killing time as your main occupation?"

"It is so, I fear, however hard I may strive otherwise." And again that shadow of regret darkened the fair face.

Some one in front turned round and glared at them angrily, for the famous comedian, Mr. Prospero Hicks, was singing his deservedly famous song, "It was all because I buttoned up her boots," so the conversation dropped for the moment.

Claude focussed his opera-glasses on the stage. While his eyes wandered idly over the pretty faces and shapely limbs of the corymbes his brain was busy piecing together all that he had heard. The odd coincidence of the dates of Lady Dyke's murder and the speedy departure of the self-styled Sydney Corbett for the Riviera would require a good deal of explanation by the latter gentleman.

True, it was not the barrister's habit to jump at conclusions. There might be a perfectly valid motive for the journey. If the man did not desire his whereabouts to be known, why did he leave his address at the post-office?

And then, what possible reason could Lady Dyke have in visiting him voluntarily and secretly at his chambers in Raleigh Mansions? This virtuous and high-principled lady could have nothing in common with a careless adventurer, taking the most lenient view of his sister's description of him. And as Bruce's subtle brain strove vainly to match the quest fragments of the puzzle, his keen eyes roved over the stage in aimless activity.

Suddenly they passed! The power of vision and mental analysis were alike inadequate to the new and startling fact which had obtruded itself, unasked and unthought for, upon his sight.

Among the least prominent of the chorus girls, posturing and moving with the stiffness and visible anxiety of the novice who is not yet accustomed to the glare of the footlights upon undraped limbs, was one in whose every gesture Bruce took an absorbing interest.

He was endowed in full measure with that prime requisite in the detection of criminals, an unusually good memory for faces, together with the artistic faculty of catching the true expression.

Hence it was that, after the whirl of a dancing chorus had for a few seconds brought this particular member of the company close to the proscenium, Bruce became quite sure of having developed at least one branch of his inquiry within measurable distance of its conclusion.

The girl on the stage was Jane Harding, Lady Dyke's maid.

When her features first flashed upon his conscious gaze he could hardly credit the discovery. But each instant of prolonged scrutiny placed the fact beyond doubt. Not even the make-up and the elaborate wig could conceal the contour of her pretty face, and a slight trick she had of drooping the left eye-lid when thinking confirmed him in his belief.

So astounded was he at this sequel to his visit to the theatre, that he utilized every opportunity of a full stage to examine still further the appearance and style of this strange apparition.

When the curtain fell and Jane Harding had vanished he was brought back to actuality by Mrs. Hillmer's voice.

"Be, Mr. Bruce. You are taking altogether too much notice of one of the fair ladies in front. Which one is it? The tall standard bearer, or the little girl who pinpoints so gracefully?"

"Neither, I assure you. I was taken up by wondering how a young woman manages to secure employment in a theatre for the first time."

"I think I can tell you. Influence goes a long way. Talent occasionally counts. Then, a well-known agent may, for a nominal fee, get an opening for a handsome, well-built girl who has taken lessons from either herself or some of his friends in dancing or singing, or both."

"Is such a thing possible for a domestic servant?"

"It all depends upon the domestic servant's degree of acquaintance. As a rule I should say not. A theatre like this requires a higher average of intelligence."

This, and more, Bruce well knew, but he was only making conversation, while he thought intently, almost fiercely, upon the latest phase of his strange quest.

During the third act he devoted more time to Mrs. Hillmer. It was sprightly dame was a little astonished at the celebrity with which he conducted her to her carriage and the waiting Dobson, it was banished by the nice way in which he thanked her for the pleasure she had conferred.

"The enjoyment has been mostly on my side," she cried, as he stood near the window of her brougham. "Come to see me again soon."

He bowed, and would have said something more if an imperious policeman had not ordered the coachman to make way for the next vehicle. So Mrs. Hillmer was whisked into the traffic.

From force of habit, he glanced casually at the crowd struggling through the exit of the theatre, and he caught sight of Mr. White, who, too late, averted his round eyes and strove to shield his portly form in the portico of a neighboring restaurant.

He did not want to be bothered by the detective just then. He lit a cigarette, and Mr. White slid off quietly into the stream of traffic, finally crossing the road and jumping on to a Charing Cross bus.

"So," said Claude to himself, "White has been watching Raleigh Mansions, and watching me too. Pity my honor. I shouldn't wonder if he suspected me of the murder! I'm glad I saw him just now. For the next couple of hours I wish to be free from his interference."

Waiting a few moments to make sure that White had not detailed an aide-de-camp to continue the surveillance, he buttoned his overcoat to the chin, tilted his hat forward, and stroled round to the stage door of the Jolly Theatre.

CHAPTER VI.

Miss Marie Le Marchant.

The uncertain rays of a weak lamp, struggling through panes dulled by dirt and black letters, cast a fitful light about the precincts of the stage-door.

Elderly women and broken-down men, slovenly and unkempt, kept furtive guard over the exit, waiting for the particular "super" to come forth who would propose the expected adjournment to a favorite public-house. Some smart broughams, a four-wheeler, and a few hansoms, formed a disorderly line along the pavement, which was soon crowded with the hundred odd bangers-on of a theatre-scene-shifter, gasmen, limelight men, members of the orchestra, dressers and attendants—mingling with the small stream of tristes constantly pouring out into the cold night after a casual inquiry for letters at the office of the doorman.

This being a fashionable place of amusement there were not wanting several representatives of the gilded youth, some obviously ginger-bread or "unloved" initiations of the callow specimens of the genuine article.

Bruce paid little heed to them as they impudently peered beneath each broad-leaved and high-feathered hat to discover the charmer honored by their chivalrous attentions.

Yet the presence of this brigade of light-headed cavaliers helped the barrister far more than he could have foreseen or even hoped.

At last the ex-lady's maid appeared, dressed in a showy winter costume and a jaunty toque. She was no very friendly friend with two older girls, on whom the stage had set its ineffaceable seal, and the reason was soon apparent.

"Come along," she cried, her words being evidently intended to have an effect on others in the throng less favored than those whom she addressed: "let us get into a hansom and go to Scott's for supper. Here, cabby!"

She was on the step of a hansom when a tall, good-looking boy, faultlessly dressed, and with something of Sandhurst or Woolwich in his carriage, dived forward.

"Hello, Millie," he said to one of Jane Harding's companions. "How are you? A couple of fellows have come up with me for the night. Let's all go and have some tea at the Duke's," thereby indicating a well-known club usually patronized by higher class artists than this trio.

After a series of introductions by Christian names, among which Bruce failed to catch the word "Jane," the party went off in three hansoms, a pair in each.

Claude was not a member of the "Duke's" though he had often been there. But there was a man close at hand who was a member of everything in London that in any way pertained to things theatrical. Every one knew Billy Sadler and Billy Sadler knew every one. A brief run in a cab to a theatre, a restaurant, and another restaurant, revealed the large-hearted Billy, drinking a whisky and soda and relating to a friend, with great gusto and much gesticulation, the very latest quarrel between the stage-manager and the leading lady. He hailed Claude with enthusiasm.

"Pon my soul, Bruce, old chap, haven't seen you for an age. Where have you bin? An' what's the little game now?"

(To be Continued.)

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Fashion Hint for Times Readers



A CHINCHILLA HAT ON THE NEW SMALL LINES.

All the Paris hats are growing smaller, and this jaunty little model is a fresh arrival from the French style mart. Chinchilla, with its soft gray color, is the fur which looks best with all lavender and purple shades and this hat is intended to accompany an afternoon wedding frock of pale wistaria satin. The rolling brim of the hat is faced with panne velvet of a soft amethyst color. The entire top of brim and crown is of chinchilla, the only trimming being the sausage loops of wistaria ribbon. This sausage arrangement is very smart this season and is made by pulling out wide ribbon between tight little bands which are sewed on separately. The chinchilla hat is, of course, matched by a neckpiece.

PUT SENATORS TO DEATH FOR RAILWAY DISASTERS

Toronto Minister Tells How the Mosaic Law Would Work Out on People Who Are Responsible for Level Crossing Railway Wrecks and the Killing of Infants by Impure Milk.

(Toronto Telegram.)

Applying the commandment "Thou shalt not kill" to this city and country today, Rev. Mr. Findlay at St. James' Presbyterian church last night emphatically denounced the individuals and interests responsible for the slaughter of people at level crossings and the killing of infants by allowing milk to contain impurities, that these conditions should be considered intolerable he showed by quoting from the Mosaic law that an ox killed anyone it should die, but that if the owner of the ox had previously been told of the viciousness of the animal both ox and owner should be put to death.

"Perhaps there is nothing we need more in Ontario," he said, "than a more just interpretation of the Mosaic principle along the line of the ox precedent."

SENATORS WOULD DIE.

"Supposing Moses were applying this principle today, mark you how it would work out in the recent case at Grimsby. Rev. Mr. Findlay at St. James' Presbyterian church last night emphatically denounced the individuals and interests responsible for the slaughter of people at level crossings and the killing of infants by allowing milk to contain impurities, that these conditions should be considered intolerable he showed by quoting from the Mosaic law that an ox killed anyone it should die, but that if the owner of the ox had previously been told of the viciousness of the animal both ox and owner should be put to death.

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CEASELESS RAILWAYS.

"Criminal carelessness was punished by death in the Mosaic legislation. Here in Canada only within the last three years has the public conscience been aroused to a realization of the appalling danger to the transportation service. And it's only several months since there was an attempt to fix the responsibility."

Mr. Findlay strongly censured "the greed of managers for dividends, the hypocrisy of making rules and then dying the morning time of train so that they can't be obeyed, and permitting and even encouraging of the breaking of the rules."

RAILWAY SLAUGHTER.

"In the year 1908," he said, "the railways of Canada killed 329 people and injured 1,309. On July 25, 1914 the Americans fought the British at Lundy's Lane for the possession of Ontario, but last year the railways of Ontario killed twice as many of our people as the Americans killed at Lundy's Lane."

"We can't afford to go on doing business on these lines—not even for a seven per cent. preferred dividend."

"Last year the railways of Canada killed 69 more people than in the year before, and they injured 740 more than in the year before. In the last six weeks the number of people killed at open crossings in Ontario is half as many as the number of Canadians killed at the battle of Passchendaele."

ORGANIZED MURDER.

"When there is a realization of the relation of man to the divine and of the great guilt between man and other life, the nations will see to it that organized murder, through the carelessness and the dirt that gets into children's food through organized greed, must cease."

"We must protect ourselves against the people we have given power to. We need to protect ourselves against ourselves."

"Reverence for man is the true basis of the sixth commandment. Man was made in the image of God. He's too great to be needlessly maimed and slaughtered."

SLAUGHTER OF THE INNOCENTS.

"In 1906 10,000 children under five years of age died in Ontario. That is, practically one-third of the deaths in Ontario were of children under five. And possibly one-third of them might have been saved could we have given their food inspection and care—if we had given milk the care a man gives to the hay for a horse for which he paid \$2,000."

"In 1906 we lost in Toronto 1,63 children under five. In July and August we lost them at the rate of about ten a day. We haven't any way of all ten a day. The milk that so many of them must use."

"The slaughter of the innocents!"

"We must do something!"

"In a city across the line there was inspection. The death in ten years fell off 30 per cent. among the children under five."

TO BE DYSPETIC IS TO BE MISERABLE.

Dyspepsia is the prevailing malady of civilized life. It is largely due to gross errors in diet, over-eating, too free indulgence in stimulants and over-taxing the stomach with indigestible food, eating too rapidly without chewing the food sufficiently, indulging in hot biscuits, pastry, pickles, confectionery, etc.

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QUEBEC WANTS BIG DRY DOCK

Delegation of Shipping Men Interview the Premier and Dr. Pugsley—They Ask for Floating Dock Now and Permanent One Later.

Ottawa, Feb. 3.—A deputation representing the shipping interests of the St. Lawrence and including Sir Montagu Allan, W. D. Campbell and Mr. MacPherson, as well as representatives of the Quebec harbor commission, waited today upon the prime minister and the minister of public works and urged that dry dock facilities, commensurate with the increasing transatlantic tonnage frequenting the St. Lawrence, be provided for the harbor of Quebec.

They pointed out that the St. Lawrence trade required two dry docks, one at Montreal and one at Quebec. To meet this demand they suggested that pending the construction of a permanent dry dock at Quebec, a floating dock, capable of accommodating vessels up to a length of 700 feet should be provided.

A permanent dock of the requisite dimensions would cost about \$2,500,000. The cost of a floating dock would be about \$800,000.

Both the prime minister and Hon. Dr. Pugsley promised to give the request their earnest consideration.

Hon. George P. Graham, minister of railways and canals, gave this evening the first ministerial dinner of the session. The banquet was held in the new restaurant of the parliament buildings and was attended by about 100 Liberal members and senators.

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Nature's Great Remedy, Also Tells of Valuable Prescription Anyone Can Prepare at Home at Very Nominal Cost.

"The people here do not drink enough water to keep healthy," exclaimed a well-known authority. "The numerous cases of kidney and bladder diseases and rheumatism are mainly due to the fact that the drinking of water, nature's greatest medicine, has been neglected."

Stop loading your system with medicines and cure-alls, but get on the water wagon. If you are really sick, why, of course, take the proper medicines—plain common vegetable treatment, which will not shatter the nerves or ruin the stomach."

To cure Rheumatism you must make the kidneys do their work; they are the filters of the blood. They must be made to strain out of the blood the waste matter and acids that cause rheumatism; the urine must be neutralized so it will no longer be a source of irritation to the bladder and, most of all, you must keep these acids from forming in the stomach. This is the cause of stomach trouble and poor digestion. For these conditions you can do no better than take the following prescription: Fluid Extract, Dandelion, one-half ounce; Compound Karsgen, one ounce; Compound Syrup, Sarsaparilla, three ounces. Mix by shaking well in bottle and take in teaspoonful doses after each meal and at bedtime, but don't forget the water. Drink plenty and often."

This valuable information and simple prescription should be posted up in each household and used at the first sign of an attack of rheumatism, back-ache or urinary trouble, no matter how slight.

ALLAN LINE OBJECTS TO WHITE STAR RIVALRY

Reported From Liverpool That Allans Have Protested Against Invasion of Canadian Trade.

Montreal, Feb. 3.—The Canadian Associated Press cables this morning that it is reported from Liverpool that the Allan line has again lodged a renewed protest with the Atlantic Conference against the invasion of the Canadian passenger trade by the White Star line and has threatened to withdraw from the conference, if the invasion is permitted.

Hugh A. Allan, who has been confined to his house by indisposition for some ten days, was interviewed but stated that he had been paying very little attention to business during that time and had heard nothing of the reported action.

On a previous occasion, when this protest came up, it was stated in Montreal that the matter was in the hands of the British Allans and that no official information concerning it was available in Montreal.

BAPTIST FOREIGN MISSION MEETING

An interesting meeting of the Baptist Foreign Mission Board was held here yesterday afternoon. The question of supporting Rev. W. T. Stackhouse as general secretary of the Laymen's Missionary Movement of the church came up and it was decided to do all in their power to further his appointment.

Reports of the work of Rev. W. V. Higgins and Messrs. Hobson, Corey and Bosworth in Laymen's Missionary Movement matters in Nova Scotia were received.

Reports from India showed that the annual conference of the Baptist missionaries had just been held and most encouraging results were looked for.

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Yesterday the adjustment of the loss on Robinson's bakery in City Road by Monday night's fire was arranged. The building loss was appraised at \$205, J. W. Morrison acting for Tilley & Fairweather and A. E. Hamilton representing Mr. Stackhouse, the owner of the building. Mr. Whitaker was the representative of William Thomson & Co., appraising the stock loss. Mr. Hamilton acting for Mr. Robinson. The settlement was for \$650.

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Being "Dressed Up"

Funny the difference that being dressed up means to women of all grades from the "washlady" to the lady of extreme fashion. Walk on the principal street of any city on a shopping day, and no matter what Dame Fashion may demand you will find as many different styles of being "dressed up" as you will find women. To the clothes of the average man there is a certain sameness, certain formal lines of cut and make-up, but with women it is different.

Hats are not as diversified in shape and trimming and size as ever they were, but of course, the hats vary in quality to as great a degree as do the pocketbooks that supply them, but they are always the salient, irresistible things that attract attention from the remainder of the girl's apparel.

Funny, too, how we go from the hat to the feet in arranging our clothes. The shoes come next in importance. Every woman wants the nicest shoes she can buy. She will save and work at anything and anywhere to put shoes, the kind she likes.

No matter how ridiculous the balance of a girl's costume may be, she is "always" there with the gay and verdant lid," as her brother would express it. She may wear last year's coat and the skirt of the year before turned and returned for economy's sake, but the hat is the contention. Of course, the hats vary in quality to as great a degree as do the pocketbooks that supply them, but they are always the salient, irresistible things that attract attention from the remainder of the girl's apparel.

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The statement was pathetic but true. While the girl was talking a cursory glance over the remainder of her clothing revealed that her suit was thin and shiny, that her gloves were carried in her hand because they were too shabby to wear, that her face was pinched and showed that her body was weak for want of proper food. A good subject for any disease that might come her way, but she felt "dressed up." She had the hat and the shoes.

A business girl, a bachelor girl, if you wish, passed a few moments later. It was hard to prevent one's self from making a comparison. Her hat was simple, but chic and businesslike. Her feet were encased in commodious shoes, with a goodly width of sole. Her clothing looked comfortable, and she was dressed for comfort and not for show, and if she should be compelled to attend the most exclusive society event she would feel "dressed up" in the togs she wore on the particular occasion referred to.

To the society woman "dressed up" is a burden and a species of the hardest kind of work. In the morning she is "dressed up" if she wears the proper habiliments for the time of day as prescribed by Fashion's dictates, and so she is "dressed up" all through the day, shopping in her shopping clothes, dining in her dinner gown and then there are the specials for the ball and the theatre and the rest of it.

And so it goes with all women. The sense of being "dressed up" is tangible in everyone of them. The emigrant at the gate with her bright shawl, her apron and her handkerchief of many colors tied around her head is "dressed up" in her own estimation.

It's the little things that go to make the individual point of view that mark the "dressed up."

THE POULTRY SHOW

The first annual show of the New Brunswick Poultry Association, which opened yesterday, is proving a great success. There was a fine display of poultry and during the day there were many appreciative visitors. The exhibition will be open till the 5th inst. in the Sears building, King street, and the management hopes that the public will take full advantage of the opportunity, as the show of birds is really a fine one.

Dr. Grant, the judge, did not get to work till yesterday afternoon, but he finished before night and the results of his work are given.

In judging the birds, it was understood that first prize birds must score sixty points, the second eighty-eight, and the third eighty-five points. The following were the prize winners:

Barred P. R. hen—O. Campbell, 2nd.
Barred P. R. cockerel—V. Hamm, 1st and 2nd.
Barred P. R. pullet—J. P. Bain, two firsts.
White P. R. hen—J. E. Warren, W. Jackson and P. V. Ham, firsts.
Silver Wyandottes, cock, hen, cockerel and pullet—H. C. Lemon, first in each.
Golden Wyandottes, cock and hen—H. C. Lemon, third in each.
S. C. Rhode Island Red cock—James Brown, 2nd; hen, J. Brown, 2nd; cockerel, J. Brown, 3rd; pullet, D. B. Holman, 1st.
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