liar to gentlemen of his profession, and softly and sentimentally as he hurrled

the Short-Story

Writers

By Edith Willett Smith.

he climbed the stairs with a mouse-

substantial absorption would come

small silver-mounted revolver.

Instinctively the burglar flattened

feel a strange sensation. The situation

conspicuously favored ones, possesse of the house, of the dark, pretty wo-

man, and of the limousine on the eve

that unpleasant spectre which he, the

The man at the table put down the

revolver and stared before him. The

wide-open eyes were quite expression

less. Somehow, the burglar neither

noticed nor resented the fact that they

the pale, young face, he was experi-

encing a new and positively uncanny

feeling. He had a scared realization that it must be pity-actually pity fo householder, his most ancient and

one trained tiptoe to the other, he

And now the man at the table reach-

So he was going to write before he

man's wife upstairs. She was the one

to interfere. If she knew, if she only

knew what was going on in the library:

A minute or two passed. In the

silent room the mouse under the table

nibbled on unheeded. The writer of the

etter sat motionless, the pen flung er

the table beside him, his head buried

Outside, in the hall, the tread of

burglar been guilty — consciously, determinedly guilty—of making a noise.

But, though he strained on the banis-

ters and ground his heel into the soft,

Pausing in the dimly lighted upper

His mind toiled over this new, most

unburglarlike problem. Why couldn't

Moving on a step or two, compre-hension flashed in on him with a

stream of electric light flowing out

through the half-open doorway. Blink-

beyond, the burglar understood. She

engrossed to see, or hear, or think,

ing into the pretty blue-and-gold room

was too busy, that was it-too much

Ahead of him heaps of shimmering

woman, with her back turned, knelt

before a wide, overflowing suitcase

Bending over it, still in her satin

evening gown, a tiara shining in the

dark masses of her hair, she was pack-

ing away for dear life, cramming in

For an instant, shuffling unheeded in

the brightly lit doorway, the burglar

other one to lose. His ears strained

stared at her in perplexity-but only

for one instant. There was not an-

expectantly for that dreaded report be

low as he turned back into the hall

and stepped rapidly into the room ad-

dark, but a gleam from her open door indistinctly showed him the thing he

wanted-a hanging electric bulb beside

In the next room, still on her knees

beside her suitcase, the dark-haired

woman had stopped packing. At last,

with breath held tensely, she was listening. Suddenly her head lifted.

Quickly, noiselessly, she rose to her

her, in a wide effulgence of electric

light, stood a threatening, sinister fig-

For a full minute the seconds ticked

on in the Dresden clock on the chim-

Could she be that lusus naturae, a

as the burglar wondered and despaired, it came—a shrill, healthy, thoroughly

feminine shriek, echoing again and

Below the library door slammed loud-

"Heaven be praised!" said the bur-

glar devoutly, and he switched off the

The master of the house reached the

again through the house.

stairs, two steps at a time.

woman who doesn't scream? But even

Then she turned. There before

his raised revolver leveled

Would she never scream?

her dressing-table.

straight at her.

This was a dressing-room. It seemed

the pretty clothes pell-mell, with

gauzy stuffs littered the floor, and

was she, the mistress of the house?

he make her hear him?

in two brown, boyish hands.

The watcher drew a big breath

were focused on himself.

vainly racked his brains.

of suicide, deliberately courting death-

Here was a young man, one of life's

## London Advertiser

LONDON, FRIDAY, APRIL 30.

#### FOR CANADA.

THE maple leaf is out early this spring. It does not hold back in I mourning for our dead. It unfurls a million flags in honor of their valor and their noble sacrifice, and calls their living brothers Stevenson and Controller Moore, to-

Formerly, the leaders and men of title were the only heroes who won attention. In democratic Canada there is no highest or lowest, tests, had the effect of securing a except for native merit, and it is apparent that our men at Ypres promise from the minister that if cerwere as equal in daring and discipline as in their political franchise. They were Canadians, and their exploit has made that name more would remain in the city. valuable. In Bible times, the proudest thing a man could say was: "I am a Roman citizen." But today it is a greater glory to be able to say, as Judge Barron's son is reported to have said in volunteering for "special service," I am a Canadian." It is a finer thing the Kaiser's many brands of the late, a previous somewhat prolonged engagement around the corner having delayed him to be a citizen of a free country and the compatriot of men who "frightfulness", is out with the statevoluntarily die in thousands for such a country, than to be one of a flock of taxpayers under an absolute despot and his mercenary in retaliation for similar acts on the sumptuous limousine from the

Many of our bravest and dearest are dead. They will never come back to us; buried in a far country, they will never feel the nouncing the Allies as they have the like tread, emitting never a creak. glorious Canadian sun again, nor smell the pine or basswood blos- Germans. Dernburg has so frequently som, nor hear the binder in the field, nor play their strong part in been caught lying and misrepresenting keen, comprehensive glance took in the the wealthy peace that is coming. But they did in an hour the work weight, but by his attempted defence later. In the great drawing-rooms it of many lives, they have already done their hero part in the work he has unintentionally laid bare and was the multitudinous polished tables, of future centuries. Because of them, Canada shall be great and other instance of how the Germans build with their freight of costly bibelots, free. Their comrades-in-arms who will come home victorious from and illegalities. Dernburg states that the Berlin will be the stronger and nobler for the men who died at their Germans officially charged the French he became really interested. Standing sides, and theirs will be a dazzling eminence, ecstatically welcomed with using asphyxiating gases on April in the grateful shadow of a Louis home, heroes till their dying day, and famed forever.

The names of those who fight for Canada will be spelled in the veins of the maple leaf so long as it unfolds bright green in springtime, and their blood shall blaze everlastingly in the banners of autumn, as the maple burns itself away:

With honor, honor, honor to them, Eternal honor to their name.

and all the other lot of fighters for

civilization-despise. One has to fight

against them like one fights against a

A MAN OF PEACE.

should give their aid to crush the Ger-

We believe from a long acquaint-

of the soldiers. Guelph got its big men

took the concentration camp away, for

The civic authorities and the board

do its part, no matter what expense

### THE GRAND MOVEMENT. | many using Kurd and Arab savages,

was at first intended, with the object ng made against his lines in Flanders "When I was in Belgium I told to my and France, the Kaiser dare not take soldiers—five france for a Belge pris- the strong arms of Britain, France and any chances by weakening his forces onner, but five days' prison for an Eng- Russia for long. here regardless of how badly they may lish prisonner. I have not given any

pardon to an Englishman, and I should n the driving of the Prussians back to The United States may thank its as a tragedy-for Great Britain. Iny at half a dozen places, by land ized and educated Zulus," as H. G. danelles, Russia is hurriedly strength- States itself, taking careful German spelled his name O'Bregon, ening her armies that won across the notes, of course. "Deutschiand uber and in the North Sea alles," in the widest meaning possible, instructions to shipping issued by the is their motto, as the devils say "Hell British Admiralty Indicate portentous over all." So look out! activities by the British and French exerted simultaneously on all their fronts each of the powers of the Teutonic alliance will be too busy defend- was wounded in the recent fighting, a sweet to Britain however it is spelled. ing its own frontiers to be able to send man of peace and a disciple of the aid to the others. The advantage broadest doctrine of humanity shed his seems to be decidedly with the Allies blood. as the spring and summer campaign | Probably no man from London believes opens. Even should they not sweep the less in militarism than he. A uniform, Germans before them at all points, if if worn for any other cause than to they but hold their own in the west carry justice forward, has no glory while making headway in the east, or for him. He enlisted because he felt

JUDGE of what the world, a duty he could not dismiss from his thoughts: he would not dismiss from his defenceless races, would probably have officer and entered the ranks. one would like to have dictaphone regis. ance with Harry Atkinson, that he ters of conversations among our enemy would offer his life at any time off their guard. Still we do not need to save the life of a child on the street. that. The diaries of their captured or It is with the same spirit that he endead soldiers, and private letters which listed-to save Belgium, insofar as it come to light, have put lay in his power, and to save the good lief. For that matter, their very inso- studied so long and so sympathetically. sufficiently off their guard, so that even sense that the mere lust of fighting or ever, a farmer appeared. their more cautious apologists, such as the panoply of war would attract frequently let the cat out of him. Endowed with a fine, noble

Every Hindu should have a chance to would suffer much rather than offend worm to swim." read a letter which appeared recently a friend or even chance acquaintance. in the London Times, written by a It was the noble, high thinking which Bayarian regiment, to an English- He typifies the British cause-a demo- Echoeti of what they might have to expect from stay the onward march of despotism. a defeat of Great Britain. He says: "A camerad was killed. Who had

killed him? An animal, one of those Indians. A human? No, a kind of human that lives a life of animal, of a dangerous animal, at home. Do you understand that we treat those reatures like dangerous animals? And those who let them fight for That is the worst! are ignorant; they don't know what do-like animals.

This violent emphasts on the lowermimal character of the Hindus, coming professional class, should show the to them. It is the same spirit that has is a matter of political life and death leaders of German colonial policy for a day, from the big men of the Conanimated the work and words of the years back. A Hindu soldier may agree servative party in London that his grandfather's soul might have been so unfortunate as to take a slip of trade and the big men of the Coninto a monkey or a horse. He servative party then united forces, and may therefore have a kindly fellow- Gen. Hughes was reminded of his feeling for the "lower animals." but he promises, and told that London was will hardly like to be treated as one of ready, and always had been ready, to

To Americans and other free races, or sacrifice might be necessary. also, there is a warning and a menace Fortunately for London, Gen. Hughes in the complete intolerance of attitude is whimsical. Or he was trying to which finds it all wrong for Great work a gigantic bluff. Or someone was you? Britain to employ the Aryan troops of trying to get a card to trump Hugh pierced. India, but does not think for a moment Gutarie, M. P., out of the lasting favor of questioning the full propriety of Ger- of South Wellington. But such things to pay you back in your own coin."

as taking the camp away from a city like London, which Gen. Hughes himself warmly praised for its treatment of the soldiers, was too serious a matter to be allowed to proceed,

After the "exclusive announcement" had been given out, there was a wild rush to the wire, and scores of telegrams reached Gen. Hughes. Mayor Copyright, The Frank A. Munsey Co. gether with S. Frank Glass, M. P. rushed to Ottawa, and their reprecommodation of the troops, the camp

#### DERNBERG EXPLAINS

AGAIN. part of the Allies. He says that the By this time—it was long past mid-Allies did it first and declares the night—he calculated that everyone American press is unfair in not de- should be asleep; yet from pure habit other instance of how the Germans bulld that attracted his connoisseur's eye, up "justifications" for their atrocities well versed in such trifles.

officers learned from a captured Ger- lay that a pert mouse was making darman that the Germans had large quaning havoc with a heap of papers fallen tities of poisonous gases in cylinders, which they intended to use against the enemy. So that on April 9, 14 16 and ing on the table, his fingers kno 21 Germany, through the press of the around the exquisitely chased stock of world, was paving the way to make her barbarous act of April 23 appear himself more tightly against the cab-

As to the charge that the French his arm relaxed. Why, that boy at the used poisonous gases early in the war some of the Germans themselves on the the stories were so wildly impossible as warpath, that infest the earth. The to rob them of any truth. Entire Ger-United States and other free states had man regiments were declared to have stubby, better look out for these German fumes from the French guns. German stretched before him with appalling dis-It is not only the Hindu that the attempts to excuse their atrocities are tinctness, as definite as it was unique Bavarian doctor would set his heel on. invariably so grotesque, or unskillful in his checkered career. in covering up tracks, that they are lish: "For Russia, Servia, Montenegro really a help to the Allies.

Soon "swat the fly" and "kill the burglar, had so sedulously avoided, ever disgusting animal." As for the British, ball" will be popular slogans in our while elbowing it all through his prohe will not spare them; he orders his midst.

Everywhere there are signs that the not have taken any from them." Prob-

Mexican dispatches state that Gen.

British-Franco Wells calls them. Still, there are a Obregon will crush the Villa forces. glar's profession shrank from such an away at the Dar- good many of them in the United We would have more confidence if he intrusion. Who, then? Shifting from The Toronto News has been con-

ducting a shower of towels, and the ed for a sheet of paper, picking up a Forest Free Press rises to remark that no doubt the News needs them. The British gave the Cameroons to of relief at the respite, remembering

The gas guns that were turned on the Canadians are not a circumstance to the ambassadorial gas bags that are being constantly shot at the American

A Southern man who suicided left a note saying he wished "to investigate heavy feet was distinctly audible, vice versa, it can be considered good that all men who could be spared hell." He could have had his wish mounting the stairs. Never before in granted by going on the firing line in man tyrant, Long, deep thought in the Flanders.

In a recent Advertiser editorial the late Lord Pauncefote was mentioned velvet pile of the stairs, contrary to as the British Ambassador to Wash- all precedents, no one paid him the ington who was recalled at the request slightest attention. of the U. S. Government. This was hall, he peered around anxiously. Where an error. The ambassador in question was Lord Sackville-West.

#### [Exchange.]

their motives and instincts in lurid re- things of the civilization he has fishing allowed here." little Tommy ne hand and a tin of bait in the other. emotional fury throw them He is not a "physical" man in the Just as he was baiting his hook, how-"Didn't you read that sign on the fence?" the farmer asked. "Yes, I did," said Tommy, "and I I'm just learning the mind, he is that type of man who ain't fish

[Francis Thompson.]

Munich, an officer in a filled his life, that took him to Europe. Every kiss thou dost inspire It would give Hindus an idea cratic man of peace, giving his life to Back from windy vaultages of death; clear warranty above Yet thy And, though he serves in the ranks, in Occult reverberations stir of love our estimation he is at least a general Crescent and life incredible; That even the kisses of the just Go down not unresurgent to the dust.

Yea, not a kiss which I have given, But shall triumph upon my lips in GEN. SAM HUCHES, like most heaven, or cling a shameful fungus there in

assured the civic representatives of Know'st thou me not, O Sun? London would have its present quota of Thou know'st the ancient miracle troops, and that more would be added. The children know'st of Zeus and May; He assured them London had left noth-

ing undone. He came to the city and To incarnate, the antique way. thanked London for its fine treatment The truth which is their heritage from their Sire

sweet Mother. AN AWKWARD SITUATION, [Kansas City Journal.]

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haven't got \$2.' PAINFUL EXCHANGE.

lessons he will present me with a pair ly, and someone came rushing up the of diamond ear-rings." "No; I should have to have my ears light.

"Ah, yes I see his idea. He wants

gasped, addressing a shaking apparition that confronted him in the doorway. "There's a man in my dressing-oom," she informed him with unsteady Ten Minutes With hauteur. "I-I believe it's a burglar! As he sprang past her she clutched his arm. "Bob, Bob! You sha'n't go! I tell you he's got a revolver. You—yau

Poised airily on the back stairs, jus a few feet away, a flitting night-bird craned its head forward, listening TWO AND A BURGLAR

might get shot!'

"And if I did get shot," he heard a young man's voice reply in tragic "would you-do you really think you'd care, Beatrice?' At the response the burglar nodded his head with satisfaction, chuckling

stepped into the hall. It was a hand- downward. Yet a minute later, unhe was almost submerged by a wave with the outside of the house-one of of professional regret. "I'm so darned soft!" he muttered the most promising outing, to his sophisticated way of thinking, on "Nothin' to show for a whole night's work but a little thing like this! Euclid Avenue. He was tired and a Half apologetically, he slipped it back into his pocket-just a small, ex-

quisitely chased, silver-mounted re

[In New York Times.] Oh, don't you hear them beating Retreat and charge, assembly, And taps, and reveille. And don't you hear them rolling Where heavy-footed comes The tired old drums

They're weary of the drumsticks That rattle on their heads. The spatter of the bullets That rip them into shreds The hissing of the bombs With the next step or two, however, The tired old drums.

Their straps are tattered too. The sheepskin tough in places, Is almost hammered through from the carved centre table. Behind Turn up your cruel thumbs ing the intruder, his right hand rest-And let them rest in silence-The tired old drums!

> ROGUE'S GALLERY [Exchange.]

Miss Wyse—"So I may really keep this photograph of you, Mr. Simpkins?" inet, feeling for his own weapon. Then Simpkins (flattered)-"Delighted, I'm table was not thinking of him! There 'Marie take this photograph, and Staring with fascinated eyes at the whenever the original of it calls tell

him I'm not in."

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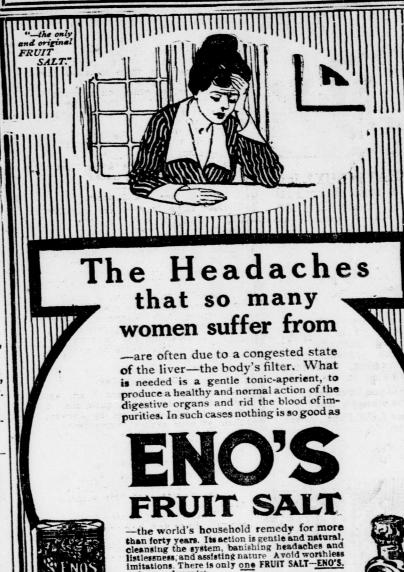


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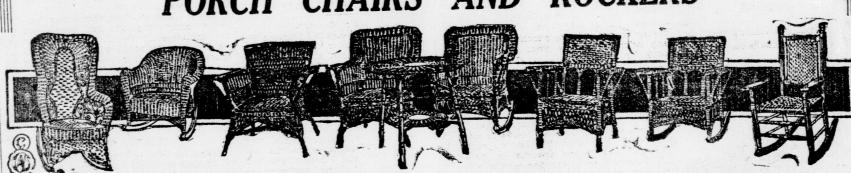
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