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"Miss Chetwynd has three hundred a year," said Harry sneeringly; "nothing, of course, to a man like me," he added contemptuously, "but, no doubt, a large sum to a fellow in my position." Ernest's eyes flashed again, but he answered composedly.

"Miss Chetwynd has nothing—not a half-penny," said Harry.

"Oh, yes, she has! You don't know what she is doing about it. She has three hundred a year. She gets it every month from the Bank."

"Miss Chetwynd has nothing," repeated Ernest firmly. "I pay that money to her. Her father led her to believe that she would have three hundred a year left, and when he found that that, too, was gone, he begged me to allow her to believe that it was still hers. I agreed; and then, when she went to Lady Marry, I took care that she should have a little. I knew what her reception as a poor relation was likely to be in that family. Of course, she must never know this. Even such a cur as you," with supreme scorn, "would hardly tell such a thing."

"Of course, not. Confound it all, I am not all that bad, Kerry."

"Prove it by at once giving up Miss Chetwynd, and then leaving the country."

"Suppose I refuse?" Harry asked defiantly.

"Then I'll take care that she knows the truth."

"Come, this is not a game of bluff, Kerry," said Harry, with an uneasy laugh. "The door's shut. Speak out. What do you mean by these hints?"

Ernest Kerry leaned forward, and spoke in a low, thrilling whisper.

"I know, from the testimony of an eye-witness, that you murdered your wife."

Harry sprang up with an oath. "It's false—false," he said passionately; but his limbs were shaking and his face was white.

"It is true," said Ernest quietly. "Where have you got your information? Who is your precious eye-witness?"

"The woman, Rachel Meacham, your late wife's maid. She has made a statement, which is here in my pocket, signed and witnessed."

"Indeed! And do you put a servant's word against mine? A pack of rubbish like that!"

"Why have you allowed her to blackmail you if it is true—if you are not desperately afraid?" said Ernest sternly. "She followed you to England, and has made your life a burden ever since."

"I swear to you it was an accident—upon my honor, upon my life, it was. I picked up the bottle, and—"

"Don't tell me. I don't wish to know. It's no business of mine. You may get out of it as well as you can, as far as I am concerned. All I have to do with it is as regards Miss Chetwynd. I won't allow you to marry her. You understand that? I don't suppose you will want to, now that she is poor again. But I must have your written promise to release her from her engagement, or she shall have the whole truth told to her."

"And if, knowing the truth, she elected to marry me. She's awfully in love with me," said Harry, tauntingly.

"Then justice should step in," said Ernest, firmly. "I'll save her from you at any cost. The woman Meacham is dead, but I have her statement here, and I shall not hesitate to act upon it if necessary."

A strange reddish light came into Harry's eyes.

"Do you want me to sign?" he asked, going towards his desk.

The desk stood in the window, and from behind her screen Vere could plainly see what Harry did when he approached it.

"Yes; I want your signature as a safeguard. You must renounce Miss Chetwynd, and you must leave the country. I would rather she did not know this horrible thing; it would hurt her to think of it. His voice dropped to a low, threatening tone.

"Write kindly to her, and tell her you are going abroad, and that all is over between you. That is all I ask."

Harry still flinched among the papers in his desk, and spoke now with his back turned.

"What if I do agree? What guarantee have I that you will keep my secret? This woman is dead, you say. How many other people know beside you?"

"No one else. I will keep the secret if you agree to my terms."

"You are a bold man, Kerry," said Harry slowly, and now Vere could see plainly what he held in his hand under the lid of the desk, and could see the cruel smile on his lips and the red

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light in his eyes. "You are indeed a bold fellow to come here and put yourself in the power of a desperate man, when you hold an uncommonly nasty secret of his."

Vere, crouching in her corner, tried to call out; tried to warn Ernest, to appeal to Harry; but she seemed as if turned to stone. She could neither cry nor move, and then suddenly Harry turned and covered Ernest with the pistol he held in his hand.

"You shall keep no secret of mine," he cried. "You fool!"

And then, even as he pulled the trigger, Vere, with a wild cry of "Harry! You must not! You dare not!" rushed from her concealment and came between the two men. It was all so sudden that Harry had no time to pause. The charge entered the girl's arm, and she flung it out towards Harry, and the next instant the two men were looking at one another with pale faces over the girl's unconscious body on the floor.

Harry was the first to speak. "Lying away the still smoking pistol he knelt down beside Vere, crying passionately:

"My darling! My darling! I have killed you!"

"Forgotten! How was I to know she was here? I don't know how she got here. I'm quite bewildered. Is she dead, Kerry? Tell me she isn't dead."

"I hope not. She must be got home at once."

"I'll take her," Ernest Kerry said, firmly.

"We'll both go, then, for I shall not leave her till I see her safe, and know she is not seriously hurt. Send my fellow for a cab, will you?"

So the cab was fetched, and the two young men carried the unconscious girl downstairs and laid her on one of the seats as comfortably as they could, and then directing the man to drive slowly, they wended their way to Hyde Park Square.

"It is perhaps as well there are two of us," Ernest remarked, moodily, as they went along. "We shall have to make up some sort of a story to account for this. You know. What can we say?"

"Oh, we were pistol-shooting—practising—ah, unfortunately, Miss Chetwynd was nearer than we thought—eh?"

"Outside, of course."

"Oh, yes—Hamstead or somewhere—you know."

"Very well, I hope they'll swallow it."

But when they reached the house they found there was no occasion for their fictional efforts. No one was at home. The servant received Miss Chetwynd in a decorous silence, and she was carried upstairs while a footman went off for a doctor.

The two men who were the cause of the mischief waited in the drawing-room in no very pleasant mood while the doctor went upstairs to see his patient. When he came down he pronounced the wound likely to be tedious, but not dangerous, and the two slowly departed.

"I hope they'll be good to her," remarked Ernest gloomily, as they walked away. "It's hateful to think of her being ill and not kindly treated."

"I'm sure," said Kerry.

Ernest Kerry started and looked at his companion. Wrapped up in his thoughts of Vere, he had almost forgotten who was beside him, and all the events of the last few hours. Harry North's tone recalled him.

"What are you going to do about that, you know?"

"Why, you'd better be off abroad."

"And if I don't shall you split?"

"I have told you under what circumstances I shall split," he said contemptuously. "I fully believe you did that deed, as the woman declared; but all the same, I'd rather not have a hand in the hanging of you. I shall keep quiet for the present; but I warn you, that if you attempt to see Miss Chetwynd, I shall go and see her, too, and tell her what I intend to do."

"All right; keep quiet for the present," and they separated.

Lady Marry was considerably annoyed when she returned home and found Vere ill.

[To be Continued.]

**HIS NARROW ESCAPE**

How Dodd's Kidney Pills Saved Mr. C. S. Griggs.

Hamilton, Jan. 30.—A startling story is told by Mr. C. S. Griggs, carpenter, living at 14 Queen street south, of a putable citizens' vouch for the strict truth of every detail.

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English capitalists are already preparing to buy the railroad which Sir Herbert Kitchener has built in the wake of his army practically as far as Omdurman.

Montague, of Dunnville, Cured of Ulcerated Itching Piles.

Mr. Robert Montague, of Dunnville, Ont., writes: "Was troubled with Itching Piles for five years, and was so badly ulcerated, they were very painful, so much so that I could not sleep. I tried almost every medicine known, when I was recommended to use Dr. Chase's Ointment. I purchased a box and from the first application got relief. Have used two boxes and am now completely cured."

A museum in Berlin has secured possession of Luther's Bible, which he used in his study. Its margins are covered with notes in the reformer's handwriting. It was printed in the year 1509, in Bale, and is said to be an excellent state of preservation.

Discovered by a Woman.

Another great discovery has been made, and that, too, by a lady in this country. "Disease fastened its clutches upon her and for seven years she withstood its severest tests, but her vital organs were undermined and death seemed imminent. For three months she coughed incessantly, and could not sleep. She finally discovered a way to recovery by purchasing a bottle of Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption, and was so much relieved on taking the first dose that she slept all night; and with two bottles has been absolutely cured. Is Mrs. Luther Lutz." Thus writes W. C. Hamnick & Co., of Shelby, N. C. Sold by all druggists at 50 cents and \$1. Every bottle guaranteed. For sale by W. T. Strong & Co.

Much has been said of late in regard to the wholesomeness of apples, and a Paris specialist says that women who want to have clear complexions ought to eat three or four apples a day. They act on the liver.

**SEWAGE FARM IN MONTREAL**

The System Similar to That Proposed for London.

Operations Described—Will Prevent Pollution of the River.

[The Canadian Contract Record.]

The city council of Montreal is considering the establishment of a sewage farm to dispose of the drainage of St. Denis ward. It has been recommended by the road committee that the contract for preparing and equipping the proposed farm be given to Mr. C. Janin, C.E., at \$16,000, the amount City Surveyor St. George estimates the work can be done for. This contract will include the making of all connections from the present sewage system, and the placing of the farm in a condition to receive and dispose of the entire drainage of the ward.

This is the first attempt ever made to operate a sewage farm in a climate as cold as that of Montreal during the winter months. This system of disposing of sewage has, however, been successfully operated by a number of cities in the State of Massachusetts, and it is the opinion of the city surveyor that there is no reason why the experiment should not be successful in Montreal.

The advantage of this system is that it does away with the necessity of discharging the sewage of the city into the river, and turns the water about the wharves and harbor into a valuable fertilizer. This is an important consideration for Montreal, for the construction of the outer guard wall of the harbor has converted the swift running water along the front of the wharves in the upper portion of the harbor into dead water, into which a number of the city sewers are discharged. The absence of current prevents this sewage discharge from being carried away, and its floats on the surface of the water and is deposited along the crib work of the docks, causing an effluvia which is a menace to the health of the city.

It is claimed for the sewage farm system that the impurities in the sewage are applied to the fertilization of the soil, and the residuum of water not so used is by filtration, in passing through the soil into a system of sub-soil pipes, discharged into a natural water course in a perfectly pure condition.

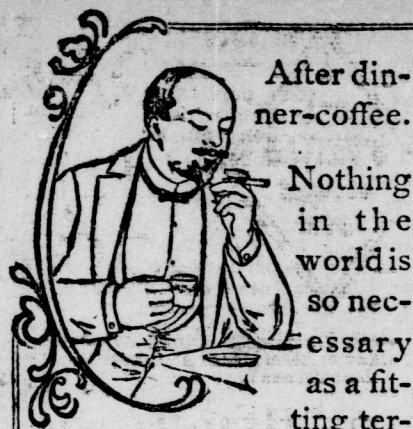
St. Denis ward under the proposed plan will be drained by what is known as the separate system. The storm water collected by the street drains will be drained direct into a natural water course. The household sewage, on the other hand, will pass through a process of filtration at the sewage farm, before being discharged into a natural water course.

The pipes carrying the household sewage of the ward will be collected at a point on Belanger street, from where it will be conveyed in a large brick sewer to the sewage farm. The sewage will empty itself from the brick sewer into a receiving well underneath the tank house. This well will be ten feet long by eight feet wide, built of brick and covered with concrete, having a smooth and waterproof surface. From this receiving well the sewage will pass into distributing basins on either side through sluices, which will be furnished with valves, so that either one or both basins may be used according to the volume of the sewage discharged. These two distributing basins will also be constructed of brick with waterproof concrete surface. From these two basins the sewage will pass through iron screens, made to stop rags and paper, and into two larger distributing chambers, each thirty feet long and fifteen feet wide, with an inclined bottom. From these chambers, which have a capacity of 11,250 gallons each, it will be discharged into a large conduit pipe running along the front of the tank house and extending across the trench. From the conduit sewage will be emptied into longitudinal open trenches, which extend lengthwise through the farm. These main trenches are intersected by a system of smaller trenches, which carry the sewage into the beds, in which the surface of the farm is divided. These beds will be about 50 feet long and 20 feet wide. From these smaller trenches, which are furnished with sluice gates, the sewage can be discharged over the surface of the beds, the sludge depositing in the bottom about the roots of the plants under cultivation, and the water not absorbed by the soil filters into a system of filtrative or weeping pipes laid on with open joints five or six feet under the surface of the ground. These filtrative or weeping pipes are also supplied with sluice gates, and the discharge of sewage into the conduit pipe can be regulated. The outlets from the conduit pipe into the longitudinal farm trenches are also furnished with valves, which control the discharge into the main drains. By the system of valves and sluice gates the sewage can be kept under perfect control, and distributed over the surface of as few or as many of the cultivation beds as may be desired.

The tank house itself will be a modest building, 33 feet 6 inches wide and 42 feet 6 inches in length. The floor will consist of a concrete slab, and the walls of the well, basins and chambers underneath. Owing to the limited amount of sewage which it is expected will be obtained from the St. Denis ward alone, only ten acres of the farm will be prepared for use at the present time. Should the experiment prove successful, the city have an option for the purchase of property immediately adjoining of an extent sufficient to dispose of the drainage of the entire city.

Mr. Janin has offered to personally supervise the working of the farm after it is in operation, and supply all the labor and expense of operation, if the city will allow him to cultivate the farm for his own use and dispose of the products.

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Evidence That They Are—Excessive Rates on the Cheaper American Oil.

[Toronto Globe.]

Here in Ontario the oil-producing business is the support of a large number of independent well-owners, and with many a farmer an oil well means an important addition to the yearly revenue. The Standard Trust has assumed all the refineries in operation. It is the only purchaser from the Canadian well-owners, and there does not seem to be friction between the producers and the refinery. While there is a possibility for the well-owners to combine and establish a refinery of their own, it will be unwise for the monopoly to strain its powers, and that possibility remains open so long as an independent company is assured of fair treatment by Canadian railways. What we object to is the sharp advance in the freight rates on the Grand Trunk and Canadian Pacific Railways. There is no reason why the rate should be higher on the one than on the other.

It is still possible for independent dealers to bring their oil as far as Hamilton without the railway impost, the Michigan Central and the Toronto, Hamilton and Buffalo railways not being parties to the discrimination. But from that point the oil of the independent companies is at a great disadvantage. The following list of freight charges on oil from Hamilton in barrels, less than car lots, shows the extent of the discrimination:

	On Canadian.	On American.
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To Ingersoll	18	27
To Woodstock	17	25 1/2
To Berlin	18	27
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These discriminations are certainly contrary to the spirit of the railway act, and if they are not expressly prohibited it is because the framers did not foresee the adoption of such a policy. For our railways to undertake the encouragement of an infant trust by a tax on foreign products is more than even long-suffering Canadians will stand.

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