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# A Mysterious Disappearance

By Gordon Holmes

A Great Detective Story

(Continued.)

"From the very beginning almost. At first, I was almost sure, when she gave evidence at the inquest, that the body she saw was not that of Lady Dyke; but afterwards she changed her opinion, especially when she recalled the exact pattern and materials of the underclothing. Then my inquiries put her on the scent. Being rather a sharp girl, she jumped to the conclusion that Sir Charles knew more about the matter than he professed. In any case, her place was gone, and she would soon be dismissed, so she resolved on a plan even bolder than mine, in threatening to lock her up. She waited her opportunity, found Sir Charles alone one day, and told him that from certain things within her knowledge, she thought it her duty to go to the police station. He was startled, she could see, and asked her to explain herself. She said that her mistress had been killed, and she might be able to put the police on the right track. He hesitated, not knowing what to say, so she hinted that it would mean a lot of trouble for her, and she would prefer, if she had \$500, to go to America, and let the matter drop altogether. He told her that he did not desire to have Lady Dyke's name brought into public notice. Sooner than to allow such a thing to occur he would give her the money. An hour later he handed her fifty ten-pound notes.

"What a wretched mistake," cried Bruce, involuntarily. This unmaking of his unfortunate friend's mystery, however, was the most painful feature of all to him.

"Perhaps it was," replied the detective, "but the thing is not yet quite clear. That is why I am here. But to continue. The girl admitted that she lost her head a bit. Instead of leaving the house quietly, without attracting comment, she simply bolted, thus giving rise to the second sensational element attending Lady Dyke's disappearance. But she resolved to be faithful to her promise. When you found her she held her promise, and even wrote to Sir Charles to tell her that she had not spoken a word to a soul. He sent for her, and pitched into her for not going to America, but took her dress in case he wished to see her again. He recognized her letter-writing powers, no doubt.

"The girl was surprised last Thursday week to receive a telegram asking her to meet him at York Station. When she arrived there she asked her to write the letter he handed to her, and to post it in London on Saturday evening. He explained that his action was due to his anxiety to shield his wife's name, and that this letter would settle the affair altogether. As he handed her another bundle of notes, and promised to settle £100 a year on her for life, she was willing enough to help him. During your interview with her you guessed the reason why she wrote Lady Dyke's hand so perfectly. She had copied it for three years."

"All this must have astonished you considerably."

"Mr. Bruce, astonished isn't the word. I was flabbergasted! Once she started talking, I let her alone only rattling the handcuffs when she seemed inclined to stop. But all the time I felt as if the top of my head had been blown off."

"I imagine she had not much more to tell you."

"She pitched into you as the cause of all the mischief, and went so far as to say that she was sure it was not Sir Charles who killed Lady Dyke, but yourself."

Bruce winced at Jane Harding's logic. Were he able to retrieve the past three months the mystery of Lady Dyke's death would have remained a mystery forever.

"Now about the photograph," said the detective. "After I had left Jane Harding with a solemn warning to speak to no one until I saw her again, I made a round of the fashionable photographers and soon obtained an excellent likeness of Sir Charles. I showed it to Dobson, and he said: 'That is Colonel Montgomery.' I showed it to the foreman of the furniture warehouse, and he said: 'That is the image of the man who ordered Mrs. Hillmer's suite.' Now, what on earth is the object of this business to be? I called at Wensley House, but was told Sir Charles was not in town. Had he been in, would not have seen him until I had discussed matters with you?"

"That is very good of you, Mr. White. May I ask your reason for showing him this consideration?"

The policeman, who was very earnest

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## THE BIBLE WAS THE THEME OF SPLENDID ADDRESSES

Opening Meeting of the Canadian Bible Society Convention Last Evening Was Largely Attended—The Bible and its Relation to the Future of the Dominion

Considering the nature of the weather, there was a large gathering last night in the city hall at the fourth annual public meeting of the Canadian Bible Society. Hon. N. W. Hoyle, of Toronto, occupied the chair, and addresses of much excellence were delivered by Rev. W. B. Young, M. A., B. D., of Montreal; Rev. R. J. Bowen, of Vancouver, and Rev. W. B. Cooper, M. A., of Toronto, general secretary of the society.

Chief Justice Barker, who was to move the resolution at the close of the meeting, sent a letter to say that he was obliged to be in Fredericton at the opening of the legislature and to assist in swearing in the new members. His Lordship Bishop Richardson, who it was expected would second the resolution, was also obliged to go to Fredericton, and sent a note containing wishes for a very successful meeting.

In his absence Rev. Dr. Hill, of Montreal, introduced the resolution which was seconded by Rev. Jesse Gibson and unanimously carried.

The pastor of Centenary church, Rev. C. R. Flanders, D. D., conducted the opening devotional exercises.

After referring to the pleasure which it afforded the members of the Canadian Bible Society to meet in St. John, the chairman, in his opening address, spoke of the progress of the work during the four years of the society's existence. During the past year they had disposed of 1,000 more copies of the scriptures than in any previous year. The finances of the organization had also witnessed substantial gains last year and during the past twelve months the revenue was three times greater than it was in the first year of its existence.

He went on to speak of the work being carried on not only in the dominion but in helping the parent society in London. Christians were awakening new to a realization of the need of the word of God in the world which strove to prove that God was an exploded theory in the world. The Bible Society, he said, printed no manifestos or apologies for the Bible. They simply went on doing their work believing that God was His own interpreter and He would make all things plain in His own good time and way.

The chairman then called upon Rev. Mr. Young, whose subject was: "The Bible Society: What? Why?" The speaker first referred to the great indebtedness of the world at large to the Bible Society. At the end of the seventeenth century the French revolution occurred. Stripped of its blood-curdling horrors this marked a step in the onward and upward march of humanity towards emancipation. The religious upheaval with which the name of Wesley was associated led men to think of foreign nations and the task of evangelizing them. The zeal of Carey, whose Sides called a "consecrated coiler" inspired others men to follow his example, and it was not many years before he had himself been listening to the glad tidings of salvation.

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## ALMOST CERTAIN OF BIG FAIR GRANT

Practically Sure Now That St. John Will Get the \$50,000 for the Dominion Exhibition.

Ottawa, March 17.—While not finally settled, it is pretty well understood that the vote of \$50,000 for the Dominion exhibition in 1910 will go to St. John. The chances of Chatham for the vote were bright at one time, as it was supported by a majority of the New Brunswick members. Within the past few weeks they have been hearing from their constituents, who object to Chatham on the ground that there is not sufficient hotel accommodation to handle a large crowd, and prefer St. John.

Two senators have come to members from the North Shore counties, and a majority of the members are in favor of St. John.

It is understood that G. G. Scovell will be appointed superintendent of the exhibition, and that the New Brunswick, in place of the late Mr. McCordock.

## MINISTER'S SKILL CUT OPEN TO HEAL BRAIN

Conscious of Approaching Insanity He Submits to a Very Dangerous Operation

New York, March 17.—Resulting that he was becoming insane, and that the only possible relief was through an operation, the Rev. Charles Williams, assistant pastor of the United Methodist Episcopal Church, at Leonard and Conesley streets, Williamsburg, went to the Eastern District Hospital and was operated on by Surgeon-in-Chief Silas C. Blaisdell.

There was a depression upon the nerve centre on the left side of the head which had troubled the clergyman for some time, and was not only causing him to lose his reason, but his eyesight as well.

Before it was undertaken Dr. Blaisdell told the Rev. Mr. Williams and his relatives that the operation would place him in a hospital, but the minister's decision was final.

Two strong instruments were broken while saving through his skull. The depressed bone was removed, but it left the patient in a critical condition.

Mr. Williams, when he lay on his head, and the depression is believed to have been the result of that accident.

## Was Troubled With Weak Back For Years.

Could Not Perform Household Duties. Doctors Attended Without Avail.

Mr. Arch. Schare, Black Point, N.B., writes: "For years I was troubled with weak back. Sometimes I have been in bed for days, being scarcely able to turn myself, and I have also been a great sufferer while trying to perform my household duties. I had doctors attending me with out avail and tried liniments and plasters, but nothing seemed to do me any good. I was about to give up in despair when I read of the Mosquito Indians in Africa, for instance, the speaker said there were no words for God, King, Prophet, angel or marriage, and in such instances it was necessary to invent words.

But, besides translation, the Bible Society aimed to distribute the scriptures to every man no matter how inaccessible might be his place of abode. Missionary heroism, in his opinion, ranked high, and the daring of explorers and Bible women who took their lives into their hands to accomplish their work, was second to none.

The first reason why the work of the Bible Society should commend itself to all, continued the speaker, was that the Bible was the foundation of a nation's greatness. Politicians had said that the 18th century belonged to the United States. This was true in the sense that the Bible was the foundation of a nation's greatness. Politicians had said that the 18th century belonged to the United States. This was true in the sense that the Bible was the foundation of a nation's greatness.

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## GOOD TIMES GONE FOR "AMERICAN DENTISTS."

They Can't Practise in Paris Now Without French Academic, Medical and Dental Certificates

Paris, March 17.—Times are not what they used to be for American dentists in Paris.

Ever since Dr. Evans made fame and fortune here, "American dentists" have been padding their bank accounts with money won from the pockets of the French and Americans in Paris. It used to be that almost any incompetent who knew how to pull a tooth could come to Paris, hang out a sign "American Dentist," and proceed to be comfortable for life.

But by a law which a man must know his profession thoroughly in order to practise dentistry here.

It is required in the first place that he be a graduate dentist, but must have made all his studies in a French university and be able to show that before he took up dentistry he had completed a three year course in medicine.

The result is that no Americans are being admitted to practise as dentists. Together with all the other requirements, the young American who would qualify must first make himself master of the French language and must then, whether he has studied before or not, matriculate at a French college and start his education all over again.

Naturally the younger men who have turned their eyes to Paris have turned them away again, and all the American dentists that remain are men who were in practice before the new law went into force.

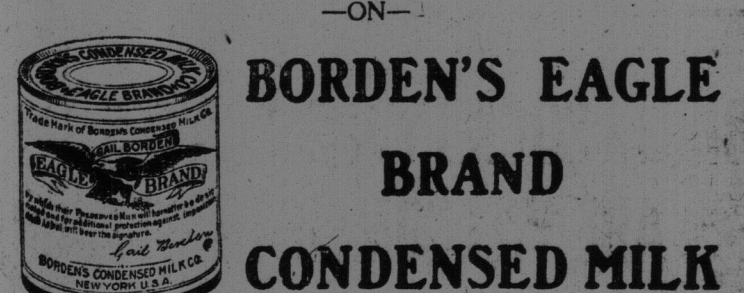
But a way may be opened to worthy American practitioners by a test case that will shortly be brought before the Conseil d'Etat in an endeavor to get that body to make a ruling as to whether the new statute is not too severe.

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"Not that I've got anything on them, for a minute. When it comes to the rubberneck stunt, you'll find yours truly there with the bells on. But it certainly is funny the way trivial and unimportant things that happen on the street get a stranglehold on the hustling, bustling business man and put him to the mat for minutes that he'd consider time wasted if he had to use them to exchange a bit of pennance with a jovial friend. Ain't it the truth?"

"Yes, indeed, I had reached your goal, but by a different route. Unfortunately, my discovery only goes to confirm yours." Bruce then told him of his visit to the lawyer's office, and its result. Mr. White listened to the recital with knitted brows. "It is very clear," he said, when the barrister had finished, "that Lady Dyke was killed in Mrs. Hillmer's flat, that Sir Charles knew of her death, that he himself had been in the room, and that ever since he has tried to throw dust in our eyes and prevent us from knowing the true state of affairs reaching us."

Your summary cannot be disputed in the least, Mr. Bruce, we must do something. If you don't like to interfere, then I'll do it. There is but one person in the world who can enlighten us as to the facts. That person obviously is Sir Charles Dyke himself."

"Unquestionably."

Bruce looked at his watch. It was 10.30 p. m. He rose. "Let us go to him," he said. "But he is not in London."

"He is, I expect you will find that he gave orders for no one to be admitted, and told the servants to say he had left for a minute—ain't it foolish, when you do? He takes the old razor and hacks a bit of wood until the edge is all blunted to smithereens. Then he holds it up so you can see. Then he whets it a few times, up and down the strip, with his sleeve rolled back so you can see there's no sleight of hand about it; that done, he feels the edge, pulls a hair out of his own head and cuts it right in front of your very eyes in that 'I-told-you-so' manner to which there's no come back. And all the while the real estate man, supposed to be busy with big deals involving thousands and the messenger boy from the department store stand side by side waiting for the chap in the window with open mouth. Did you ever think of it in quite that light before? Ain't that about the limit!"

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