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A Mysterious Disappearance

By Gordon Holmes

A Great Detective Story

(Continued.)

"You must make the best of it. Say, off-handly, you don't know where she is—either with relatives or in Italy. Anything will do, and it will create a false impression."

"I am sick of false impressions. I cannot do it."

"You must," the stranger insisted, and they entered the doors of the Imperial, where, of course, Dyke was hailed at once by a dozen men.

"Hallo, Charlie! Been easy?"

"Good gracious, Deikel have you had business? I've missed you for months, now I come to think of it."

"I haven't seen your wife for quite a time. How is she?"

In the multitude of questions there was safety.

Sir Charles answered vaguely and evasively, and then he turned to the man who had just entered the room, and said:

"Whereabouts?"

"Oh, a private establishment kept by an old chap called Septimus Childs—Lucky Number was our nickname for him."

Bruce betrayed no surprise at this startlingly simple statement. He said casually:

"I mean where was the school situated?"

"At Brighton in my time. But afterwards he shifted to some place near London—something to do with examinations, I fancy."

"But don't you know where?"

"How should I? I was at Sandhurst then. I believe the old boy is dead. Why do you ask?"

"Oh, it has something to do with the inquiry. I won't trouble you now with the details."

"Go on, I can stand it."

"But where is the good in paining you needlessly?"

"That stage has passed, old chap. My wife's memory has almost become a dream to me."

"Well, it is an extraordinary thing, but that place—where that house at Putney, you know, must have been the new school of the Rev. Septimus Childs."

"How did you learn that?"

"I have known it for months, ever since the impostor."

"And you did not tell me?"

"True, but at the time it seemed of no consequence. Now that Memmore turns out to be a pupil of his, and probably passed the remainder of his early school days at that very establishment, the incident assumes a degree of importance."

Sir Charles looked earnestly at his friend as he put his next question: "Full name, do you seriously believe that Memmore had anything to do with my wife's death?"

"I cannot honestly give you a satisfactory answer."

"But what do you think?"

"If you press me I will try to put my opinion into words. Memmore was in some mysterious way associated with the crime; but the degree of association, and whether conscious or unconscious, I do not know."

"What do you mean by 'conscious or unconscious'?"

"I am sure that Lady Dyke met her death in his residence; but it is impossible to say now if he was aware of her presence. He was in London at the time, that is quite certain."

"Do the police know all this?"

"No."

"I am glad of it. Memmore did not kill my wife. The suggestion is absurd—wildly absurd."

"Things look black against him, nevertheless."

"I tell you it is nonsense. You are on the wrong track, Bruce. What possible reason could he have had to decoy my wife to his flat and there murder her?"

"None, perhaps."

"Then why do you hesitate to agree with me?"

"Because there is a woman in the case."

"Another woman?"

"Yes; Memmore's sister, or half-sister, to be exact. She also lives in Raleigh Mansions."

"Indeed?"

"So all kinds of things have been going on without my knowledge. Yet you promised faithfully to keep me informed of every incident that transpired."

"I am sorry Dyke, but you were so up-

Fashion Hint for Times Readers



THE SCARF MATCHED BY MUFF

The Directorate Dame made the most of the artistic possibilities of scarfs and her twentieth century follower wisely imitates her, for no feature of the Directorate mode is more graceful and artistic than the floating scarf. This costume of apricot pink cloth is matched by a little scarf wrap of crepe, which is quite protection enough over the shoulders for short trips in a private carriage. The scarf is lined with closely striped chiffon, and plated with the 'chiffon' fall inside the scarf trim. To match this scarf there is a big muff trimmed with fringe and a touch of fur, and beneath the muff hangs a shower of silkballs attached to cords.

IT LOOKS LIKE CHATHAM FOR THE DOMINION FAIR

Majority of New Brunswick Liberal Members Favor It

Minister of Agriculture and Sir Wilfrid Laurier Will Make Final Decision and Commissioner May Be Sent to Investigate Facilities of Rival Claimants.

Ottawa, Feb. 25.—The delegates from St. John and several residents of the city who are here are very much disappointed tonight at the unaccountable and unexpected opposition which has met their request for the exhibition grant.

After meeting the Liberal members of New Brunswick this afternoon and the delegates had presented the claims of St. John, in an able manner a majority of the representatives were in favor of the grant going to Chatham. No good reason was given, except that St. John "wanted" to have the grant, and so far as present opinion of the members goes towards a decision St. John is out of it.

The decision, however, Dr. Pugsley pointed out, rests with the minister of agriculture, who must take everything into consideration while at the same time paying respect to the opinions of Liberal members. There was solid support for Chatham from the three members present from the North Shore, LeBlanc being absent, and Emmerson, Curvell and Michael joined with them, at least until some better argument is advanced in favor of St. John.

The last conference was held at 4 o'clock in the office of the minister of public works and in defining his position Dr. Pugsley made it clear that as minister he had decided to take no part but simply as representative from St. John he would vote for having the grant there. He referred to a statement in the press that as minister he should take the responsibility of deciding in favor of St. John. This was a provincial matter and he did what he thought every minister should do in such a case, consult the wishes of the Liberal members from his Province. Without presentation of the advantages of St. John and the reasons why the grant should go there, and in that connection touched briefly upon the complaint he had met since he came to Ottawa that St. John wanted everything that was not nailed down. He argued that if the city's demands were greater, because of its greater size, and the enormous and crippling expenditures made by its people to equip a national port, there was much reason that their requests should bear

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ALBERTA ADOPTS HER RAILWAY POLICY

Will Guarantee Bonds for \$27,433,000 for Railway Facilities in the Province—1681 Miles of New Lines.

Edmonton, Feb. 25.—At a session lasting till midnight, practically a unanimous vote of the legislature endorsed the railway policy of the government as set out in the resolution introduced by Premier Rutherford and accompanied by bills to guarantee bonds of the C. N. R. and G. T. P., and other branch lines totalling 1,681 miles with a guarantee of \$27,433,000. Scarcely a corner of the province is left unprovided for, and Alberta will be gridironed with railways.

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LECTURES YESTERDAY

In the Natural History Society rooms yesterday afternoon Miss Katherine R. Bartlett, teacher of the domestic science school here, delivered an interesting lecture on Home Economics. There was a large attendance.

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MR. FARRELL WINS

A cable has been received from London (Eng.) stating that leave to the defendants to appeal from the judgment of the Supreme Court of Canada to the privy council in the case of Michael Farrell, of St. John, vs. James Manchester, Robert C. Elkin and the Portland Rolling Mills, Limited, also of St. John, has been refused. The decision of the Supreme Court of Canada in favor of Mr. Farrell consequently stands.

The Times Daily Puzzle Picture



Disaster

How quick the thrill of mortal joy From out the heart hath sped. When on the street that horrid joy Upreet you with his sled.

Find a boy. ANSWER TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE Upside-down in trees.

ST. JOHN LADIES' EVENTFUL TRIP

After an eventful and very enjoyable trip occupying about five months spent in England and on the continent, Mrs. W. H. Shaw, of Main street, and Mrs. Chas. F. Tilley, of Carleton, arrived home last evening on the Boston train.

The ladies left here in October last, going via New York to Liverpool and then to London. About a month was spent in sightseeing in various parts of the old country and then they went to the continent.

Paris was visited and then they journeyed through the Mediterranean to Genoa. From there they went to Rome, where they were at the Vatican and saw His Holiness Pope Pius X. and attended mass in St. Peter's on Christmas day. They next went to Florence, Nice, Monte Carlo and back to Genoa, where they took passage on the steamer "Crest" going to the Azores and then to the Azores and then to Boston and home.

It has been reported that Mrs. Tilley and Mrs. Shaw were in the earthquake zone in Italy at the time of the appalling disaster, but they were at least 100 miles away. However, they were in Genoa when the government landed some 8,000 of the refugees there and they describe it as a very pitiful sight to see the ragged,

Weak Women

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VETERANS TO DINE

The South African Veterans' Association will hold their annual dinner tomorrow evening, Feb. 27, in the Clairmont Hotel, Torriburn.

It is expected that about seventy-five or eighty members of the association and a number of invited guests will sit down to a repast that will be served in Mr. Newcomb's best style.

The party will leave the I. C. R. depot at 7.15 p. m. in a special train chartered for the occasion. The guests will include Col. R. H. White, D. O. C.; Lieut-Col. Hunter Ogilvie, Hon. R. J. Ritchie, Chief of Police W. W. Clark, President Andrew Emery and Secretary James Hunter of the N. B. Veterans' Association; ex-stayer Edward Sears, and Howard D. McLeod. A musical programme is being arranged for and a good time is anticipated.

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