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A Mysterious Disappearance

By Gordon Holmes

A Great Detective Story

(Continued.)

"You must make the best of it. Say, off-handedly, you don't know where she is—either with relations 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 will prevail, and they entered the doors of the Imperial, where, of course, Dyke was hailed at once by a dozen men.

"Hallo, Charlie! Been steady?"

"Good gracious, Deke! have you had influenza? 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 a chance arrival created a diversion by announcing that the favorite had broken down in his preparation for the Grand National.

Later in the afternoon, the two found themselves ensconced in a quiet corner of the smoking-room. Bruce seized the opportunity.

"You told me," he said, "that Memmore and you were at school together?"

"Did I?" said the baronet.

"Yes, don't you remember?"

"I get mixed up in thinking about things. But it is all right. We were."

"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 home of the Rev. Septimus Childs."

"How did you learn that?"

"I had known it for months, ever since the inquiry."

"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: "Tell me, Claude, 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?"

"Yes. 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 upset—"

Fashion Hint for Times Readers



THE SCARF MATCHED BY MUFF

The Directoire Dame made the most of the artistic possibilities of scarfs and her twentieth century follower wisely imitates her, for no feature of the Directoire 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 pleated frills of the chiffon fall inside the scarf hem. 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 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" everything and gave nothing, 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 great respect to the opinions of Liberal members. There was solid support for Chatham from the three members present from the North Shore, Mr. Blaine being absent, and Emmerson, Carvell 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 of the province. Without their cordial support he could not hope to remain a minister.

President Skinner made an admirable presentation of the advantages of St. John and the reasons why the grant should go there, and the connection founded briefly upon the complaint he had made 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 be granted.

ST. JOHN LADIES' EVENTFUL TRIP

After an eventful and very enjoyable trip occupying about five months spent in England and on the continent, Mrs. William H. Shaw, of Main street, and Mrs. Chas. F. Tilley, of Charlottetown, 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 steamship "Cretic" for England, and then to Liverpool.

It had 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 pitiful sight to see the ragged, half-dressed people, many paralytic children and childless parents. Families were separated perhaps never to be reunited, while many were lost by death.

The ladies had a trying experience while coming into Boston on the steamer. As stated in the despatches the "Cretic" struck twice in entering the harbor and had to be towed in by five tugboats.

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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 unprotected 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 "Habit and Economics. There was a large attendance."

A very interesting lecture was given by Mrs. John McArthur on the Folk Lore of Germany yesterday afternoon in the Seamen's Institute. Music was furnished by the Misses Murray on violin and piano.

The first of a series of four lectures to be delivered in the Stone church under the auspices of the Women's Auxiliary of the diocese was delivered yesterday afternoon. There was a very large attendance. The lecture was Mrs. Alfred Morrissey and the subject was Mohammedanism. The life of the founder of Mohammedanism was interestingly told. The second lecture of the series will be delivered next Thursday afternoon.

In St. John Presbyterian church last evening before a fair sized gathering an interesting lecture on Korea was read by Rev. J. H. Anderson and illustrated with lantern views.

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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, asked of St. John, has been refused. The decision of the Supreme Court of Canada in favor of Mr. Farrell consequently stands.

In spite of the depression in the shipping business, Percy & Small, of Bath, evidently look for better times, as they propose to build the coming season a schooner of nearly 3,000 tons. The schooner Wawenoc, from Virginia, is now at Bath discharging a cargo of 375 tons of oak lumber, which will be used in the construction of the new vessel.

The Times Daily Puzzle Picture

DISASTER

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