

CHAPTER XXXIV. The Puzzling of Henson. Chris smiled with the air of one who

is perfectly satisfied with her work. "For the present I fancy we have done enough," she said. "I want to go fail to see why-

to bed now, and I want you both to do the same. Also I shall be glad if you that if anything happened Reginald could prove that he was not near the nothing had happened. Tell Reginald that I saw his accomplice come up the Henson casually that you have been cliff; indeed, he passed quite close to convinced that you have done Dr. Bell me on his way to the house. Reginald a grave injustice, and give no kind of quite overlooked this fact in his heed particulars. And please treat Mr. for his own safety. When I had effect-Henson in the same fashion as before. ed my gallant rescue I heard an owl There is only one other thing." "Name it, and it is yours," Liftimer here.

cried. "Well, cut the margin off that print,

or at any rate turn the margin down, it into the frame, and hang it up as if nothing had happened.' Littimer looked at Chris with a puz-

zled expression for a moment, and I was that it was all for the best." then his features relaxed into a satyrnke grin.

"Capital," he said. "I quite understand what you mean. And I must be there to see it, eh?-yes, I must be there to see. I would not miss it for strawberry leaves." The thing was done and the picture

restored to its place. Bell drew Chris aside for a moment "Do you rise early in the morning?"

he asked, meaningly. "Always," Chris replied, demurely. "I find the terrace charming before of the bandages had been removed

breakfast. Good-night." Bell was down betimes despite "the fact that it had been daylight before uneasily at the doctor and from him to

he was in bed. Among the terrace, Littimer. looking over the cliffs, Chris was already walking, a great cluster of red and yellow roses in her hand. She looked as fresh and bright as if she and excitement were strangers. All costs him a huge effort, but the slimy the same she seemed to avoid Bell's scoundrel had to be fought with his

eyes. "Isn't it lovely here?" she exclaimed. "And these roses with the dew still large and generous meed of forgiveupon them. Well, Dr. Bell, have you ness. He sought in vain to read Bell's made fresh discoveries?"

"I have discovered that Henson is boyish, smile in them. going to take his breakfast in bed," Bell said gravely. "Also that he re- ly. "I indeed rejoice-rejoice-rejoice!" quires a valet at half-past ten. At that time I hope to be in the corridor he seemed to have lost all his backwith Lord Littimer and yourself. Also bone, and lapsed into a flabby, jellified I have made a further discovery.

"And what is that, Dr. Bell?" "That you and I have met beforeonce before when I attended you in sleepy terror. a kind of official capacity, and when I behaved in a distinctly discreditable professional manner. Dr. Walker was resent. Dr. Walker seems to have a dogcart to drive me to Moreton been singularly short-sighted." The roses fell from Chris' hands on to the path. Her face had grown very pale indeed; there was a frightened, appealing look in her eyes.

"Dr. Bell," she gasped, "do you sup-pose that anybody else knows-Henson, for instance? And I imagined that I had utterly deceived him!" Bell smiled meaningly.

"I don't think you need have the slightest anxiety on that score." he said. "You see, Henson is comfortably assured that you are dead and buried. Whereas I know all about it. Fortu-

guise

telegram I was certain."

timer along.'

fellow.

side.'

plice."

Enid sent me the telegram?"

"Oh, he did. It was Frank's mission now?"

age and good resolutions to prevent

brandt stolen? Littimer's I mean."

was no better time than night for the

I guessed that when Hen-

Chris explained.

of the bedrooms. It took all my cour- picture-"

nately for me, I became mixed up in ore on hehalf of my

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picture in a hesitating, fascinated way. thief who had taken orders of some spoke of pictures. "Nothing what-His feet seemed to pull up before it kind. He is a sorry-looking scoundrel, involuntarily. "What does it mean?" he muttered. "What in the name of fate has hap-pened? It is impossible that Merritt could have played me a trick like that;

would never have dared. Besides, have met him?" he has too much to gain by following my instructions. I fancy-Henson slipped up to the picture as away from the station so that I should

sudden idea came to him. If the picture had not been removed at all the stays would still be intact. And if they were intact Merritt was likely to have | dear friend's life. I have learnt from a bad quarter of an hour later on. It one of the gardeners just now that would be proof that----Reginald placed the rope there himself

But the stays were not intact. The -a most effective touch, you must adheads had been shaved off with some cutting instrument; half of the stays "Very," Bell said, drily. "But I quite gleaned like silver in the morning light. And yet the Rembrandt was "I am coming to that. Don't you see there The more Henson dwelt upon it the more he was puzzled. He began to

wonder whether some deep trap was house at the time? But just before being laid for him. But, no, he had seen no signs of it. In some way or another Bell had managed to ingratiate himself with Littimer again, but not necessarily for long, Henson told himself, with a vicious grin. Nor was Littimer the hoot. Now, there are no owls about

kind of man who ever troubled himself o restrain his feelings. If he had got "I guessed what that meant-it was to the bottom of the whole business he a signal of success. Then I went back would have had Henson kicked out of to the corridor and the Rembrandt was the house without delay. gone. The stays had been cut away. But Littimer suspected nothing. His At first I was dreadfully upset, but greeting just now showed that Bell suspected nothing, because he had shaken hands in the heartiest manner

"But you might have raised an possible. And as for Miss Lee, she was alarm and caught the thief, who--' no more than a smart Yankee girl, "Who would have been promptly and absolutely an outsider. disclaimed by Reginald. Let me tell Still, it was dreadfully puzzling. And you, sir, that I have the thief and the t was not nice to be puzzled at a time lost Rembrandt in the hollow of my when the arch-conspirator ought to

hands. Before the day is out I shall know every move of the game. Theremake good my boast. And there's the ore it became necessary to go onto Moreton Wells and see Merritt without It looked quite natural some time delay. As Henson crossed the hall the later for the three conspirators to be cheerful voice of Littimer hailed him. lounging about the gallery when Hen-"Reginald." he cried, "I want your son emerged from his bedroom. He

ssistance and advice." appeared bright and smiling, and most With a muttered curse Henson entered the library. Littimer was seated from his throat. All the same he was at a table, with a cigarette in his not pleased to see Bell there: he gazed

of papers. "Sit down and have a cigar," he said. "You know Bell," the latter said, in order-I am going to make a fresh and therefore we have him in our If you hadn't come down last power. We have only to discover will. night I should probably have sent for where the diamonds have been 'plant-

you. Now take my bank book and ed'-is that the correct expression?check those figures." own weapons. Henson shook his head "Shall we be long?" Henson asked, lice will subsequently search the felwith the air of a man extending a anxiously. Littimer tartly hoped that Henson

could spare him an hour. It was not found there. Mr. Merritt would hardisual, he said, for a testator to be re- ly dare to pawn that." fused assistance from the chief bene-'Even if he knew its real value factor under his will. Henson apolo-

gized, with a sickly smile. He had im-He repeated the last word helplessly; portant business of a philanthropic kind in Moreton Wells, but he had no doubt that it could wait for an hour. mass of quivering white humanity. And then for the best part of the His vacant, fishy eyes were fixed upon morning he sat fuming politely, whilst the Rembrandt in a kind of dull, Littimer chattered in the most amiable fashion. Henson had rarely seen him "I'm not well," he gasped. "Not so

in a better mood. It was quite obvistrong as I imagined. I'll-I'll go and ous that he suspected nothing. Meanlie down again. Later on I shall want while Chris and Bell were bowling along towards Moreton Wells. They sat well back in the roomey waggon-He paused again, glanced at the picette, so that the servants could not ture, and passed heavily to his room. hear them, Chris regarded Bell with a brilliant smile on her face. 'Splendid," he said. "It was worth

"Confess," she said, "confess that you are consumed with curiosity." "All the same," Chris said, quietly; "It would be just as well to acknowl-'all the same, that man is not to leave edge it at once," Bell admitted. "In for Moreto Wells till I've had a clear hour's start of him. Dr. Bell will you

the happy old days your sister Enid always said that you were the clever and audacious one of the family. She said you would do or dare anything."

Still the change has done me a dea

indeed." Bell said. "I used to imagine so," Chris said, The quaint and somewhat exclusive more quietly. "But the life of the last town of Moreton Wells was reached in Lord Littimer polished his rarely few years tried one's nerves terribly. due course and the street where the

ever. and I took particular note of him, es-"What. pecially the horrible smashed thumb." Didn't I hear tell of a---' "A He paused, conscious of saying to "The what!" Bell exclaimed. thumb like a snake's head with a little much. pink nail on it?"

for him. And he was the man with

road. . . . But I am interrupting

"Well, I marked that thumb care-

fully. I have already told you that the

thief passed me on his way to the

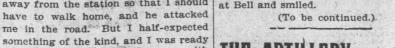
house when he came up the cliff. I

was leaning over the terrace when

you."

Bell shook his head again. An utterly puzzled expression crept over "The same man. So you happen to Mr. Meritt's engaging countenance. At e present moment an art treasure of price stood in that very room, and here "We met on our way here," Bell said, was a party from the castle utterly indrily. "The rascal sent the dogcart nocent of the robbery. Chris glanced

not lately?" Merritt asked



THE ARTILLERY the thumb. I should have told you all this before, but I had forgotten it in watching your fascinating diplomacy. ASSOCIATION When the attack was defeated the rascal bolted in the direction of the cliffs. Of course, he was off to tell Henson of the failure of the scheme and to go on with the plot for getting the other picture. If he had stolen my ANNUAL MEETING Rembrandt then the other would have remained. I couldn't have turned up HELD AT OTTAWA with a cock-and-bull story of having started with the picture and being robbed of it by a total stranger in the

> Sir Frederick Borden Will Inquire Into Complaints Regarding the School at Kingston.

saw him emerge into a band of light caused by the big arc in the castle Ottawa, March 1 .- Col. Frank King, tower. I forgot that I was in deep shadoy and that he could not possibly of St. Catherines, presided at the ansee me. I jerked my head back sudnual meeting of the Dominion Artillery denly, and my diamond star fell out Association yesterday. Among those and dropped almost at the feet of the present were Earl Grey, Sir Frederick intruder. Then he saw it, chuckled Borden, Colonel Hanbury Williams,

over it-placed it in his pocket. I was going to call out, but I didn't. I had General Lake and Lord Aylmer. a sudden idea. Dr. Bell- had an idea Colonel King said Sir Frederick Borthat almost amounted to an inspirathe artillery Petewawa camp. He sug-

Chris paused for a moment and her gested that it be called Borden camp. eyes sparkled. Bell was watching her Sir Frederick Borden said the name with the deepest interest and admirawould have the merit that it did not tion.'

belong to one political party. Pete-"I let the man keep it." Chris went wawa as a central training camp was only an instance of what he would like on, more slowly, "with an eye to the nouth, his brows drawn over a mass future. The man had stolen the thing to do for the artillery of Canada if and I was in a position to prove it. He he had the treasury at his disposal Canada would soon have a considerable would be pretty sure to pawn the star 'The fact is I am setting my affairs -he probably has done so by this time, number of high-class field guns. They would be of little use without men to

> handle them and Petewawa had been provided for training men. General Lake suggested the estabcan swear an information, and the polishment of a scientific school of gun-

> nery. low's lodgings. When the search is Lieut. Gregory complained of the inmade the missing Rembrandt will be adequacy of the appliances for giving

artillery instruction at Kingston. He had been taught the working on a mark-four gun from diagrams for an which I doubt," Bell said, thoughtfulold mark-one gun.

Sir Frederick Borden said there had ly. 'Henson would not tell his tool too much. Let me congratulate you upon been a severe indictment of the permanent artillery which had been organizyour idea, Miss Chris. That diamond ed as a teaching staff. If it was not star of yours is a powerful factor in our hands, and you always have the fulfilling that function it was time it was known. There was no excuse for consciousness of knowing that you can teaching a mark-four gun from a diaget it back again. Now, what are we going to do next?" gram. It indicated the officers at Kingston in charge of the men were no "Going to call upon Mr. Meritt, of taking a proper interest in their work course," Chris said, promptly. "You forget that I have his address. I am It showed that the people of Canada were not getting the value of their deeply interested in the welfare of the money and would warrant the perma criminal classes, and you are also an enthusiast. I've looked up the names nent force being swept away and replaced by something else. Sir Fredof one or two people in the directory who go in for that kind of thing, and erick said he would have an investi-I'm going to get up a bazaar at Littigation started at once and if things were found as represented he would mer Castle for the benefit of the predatory classes who have turned over a see that a change was at once made

lions for a first-class school and should for Mr. Merritt to give us an address. Don't you think that will do?" have it. "I should think it would do very well Col. J. S. Hendrie of Hamilton, was elected president.

DIPHTHERIA IN NORTH.

The Canadian people were paying mil-



There are many systems used in un- should be done immediately upon or derdraining, but where four inch tiles pletion, not waiting for uncert rains to wash away a portion of vo may be obtained at a cost not exceeding \$15 per thousand, this is by far the drain.

ost economical method and will deal The joints, or rather points of ju ture, should be made of brick with this system. First let us go out and carefully size up the field where tile, carefully placed and covered, the work is to be undertaken, carefully order to facilitate the plowing out plowing in of the ditches a long do noting the grades and natural slopes, and where required using a level to bletree can be used to advantage, determine more accurately if there be causing a horse to walk on each side

sufficient fall. After eareful considera- of the drain. Thus, fellow farmer, I have tion let us lay out our mains, and later deavored to give you the cost and a on the laterals leading into them, using one's own judgment where and few hints about this very importa a: what distance apart they shall be question which is of such vital interes placed, and having completed this pre- to us all on Vancouver Island; and paratory work it would be well to will say that you will marvel at the measure off carefully and have the benefits, be pleased with the results tiles brought and placed in convenient and have your money returned i piles adjacent to where they would be three seasons, with your drains as a valuable asset. required.

The writer advises that a plow be Take, for instance, last season. Those used as much as possible in laying out who were able to get on their land and in deepening the ditch, and to- easily, were able to harvest their crops gether with the assistance of a gang proportionately early, thereby escapin of shovellers, it is surprising what an those awful downpours which drench nmense amount of work can be ac- everything, which gave such additiona complished in a short time. As one labor in curing the grain, which made gets down and the plow seems to us blue and depressed, deploring have lost its usefulness, a sub-soiler fact that our land was not underdrail attached to the doubletree by means ed, and that we were not able to play ot a two-foot chain will be found to early.

of great additional help, and in this Many additional advantages can be way the ditch can be put down to a put forth, but only those who have depth of some twenty inches or more, had practical experience along these according to the nature of the soil, and lines actually know what desirable reat a very small cost. Shovels and sults can be obtained, and I trust that spades will then be required to com- these few remarks to the inexperience plete it, throwing the dirt on each or unconvinced may be of some ber C. B. side in order to facilitate the plowing | fit.

here to-day that the Grand Trunk Pa- | grain and flour sections of the board of

striking Hall on the head, killing CANADIAN NOTES. instantly.

Favor Expansion.

passed vesterday at a meeting of

Died From Wound.

Picton, Feb. 28 .- Mrs. Sarah Brow

the lungs on Saturday, died last n

Frank Nelson: 17 years old, is held

trial in connection with Mrs. Brow

OTTAWA NOTES.

British Columbia Appeal Case-Th

Ottawa, Feb. 26 .- A motion by

Davis in the Supreme court to

dite the hearing of Milne vs. the

shire Gurantee Co., a British Colu

appeal, was refused, as the Da

proceed to-morrow.

prosecuting the appeal were not re

The commission to inquire into

finance man and a represent

business man. No one who has

connection with an insurance com

Since January 1st, four thousand

sengers have been booked by the Sa

125 Government St., Victoria.

Insurance Commission.

Insurance Commission

WEEKLY WEATHE Victoria Meteor 21st to 27th During this week the en comparatively low ce. and throughout and the Lower Mainland or less amount has fallen

The weather has been tion is more advanced a the year than during a sin vear. Little rain has northern coast of the copious rains have been currence throughout fornia. Southerly gales the Washington coast of and 25th, on Saturday, Sound, and during Su Monday morning a sout vailed on the Straits Georgia. In the Caribo fell upon two days, other er there was fair and while in Kootenay con weather has been genera week. In the Yukon nounced cold wave was the first three days, then steadily rose until by week the lowest daily 10 above zero. In Alb katchewan light snowfall and in Manitoba the tem the greater portion of

zero. Victoria-Amount of was 27 hours and 48 m inch; highest temperatu lowest, 37.8 on 27th. Vancouver-Rain, 2.27 temperature, 52 on 23rd 25th

New Westminster-Ra highest temperature, 52 36 on 25th and 26th: Kamloops-Rain. 10 in perature, 50 on 27th; low Barkerville-Snow, temperature, 38 on 21st: Port Simpson-Rain,

temperature, 48 on 24t 23rd and 26th. Atlin-Highest temper lowest, 16 below on 23rd. Dawson-Highest ten 21st; lowest, 38 below on

LOCAL N

-The Victoria clean turns for the week e total \$688,939. ------

-A small fire in th Tuesday afternoon call department. Some of in the rooms ignited was the cause of the blaze was overcome with little damage.

-During the election candidates' agents are gins, barrister, acting Templeman (Liberal); rister, on behalf of (Conservative), and V sayer, for W. C. Marco

-------In order to avoid th election in the new! municipality of Saanio being held at various selection of councillo arrangement can be n a public meeting for cipality will likely be of agreeing upon a re

VETERINARY COURS \$1200 year and upwards can be inary Course at home du in simplest English; Diploma gre ary Correspondence Sch

-For the month of were 36 births regist marriages, and 56

friend, David Steel; indeed, but for Chris with a long, admiring stare. At of good-the change and the knowlyou away to our friend Walker." "But surely you guessed that ---- "

Steel, I should probably have given the same time he was wondering why edge that Reginald Henson regards me the girl should have taken such a vivid as dead. But you want to know how interest in Reginald Henson and his I am going to get the Rembrandt?" "That is what is consuming me at

"Not for the moment. You see, it doings. For some years past it had was only a few minutes before that a been Littimer's whim to hold up Henpresent." Bell said. flood of interesting light had been let son before everybody as his successor, "Well, we are going to see the man who has it," Chris explained, coolly in upon Henson's character by your so far as the castle went. He liked to "I have his address in Moreton Wells sister to me, and my first idea was see Henson's modest smirk and beau-

efully and

that Henson was poisoning you for tiful self-abasement, for in south hisat the present moment, and for the some purpose of his own. Subsequent- lordship had a pretty contempt for the rest he is called the Rev. James Merly Steel told me all about that side of man who hoped to succeed him. But ritt. Between ourselves he is no more the story on our way back to Brigh- the will made some time ago by Littia reverend than you are.' mer would have come as a painful

Wells. I---

Littimer smiled.

accompany me?"

thousands just to see his face."

CHAPTER XXXV.

Chris Has an Idea.

breakfast bell.'

eyes, but there was a steady, almost

"I indeed rejoice," he said, unctuous-

"And if the gentleman is shy or re "How did you penetrate my dis- shock to the philanthropist. fuses to see us?" "Then he will be arrested on "It is a very pretty tangle as it

"My dear young lady, I have not stands," he said. "Miss Lee, let me charge of theft." penetrated your disguise. Your dis- compliment you upon your astuteness "My dear young lady, before you can get a warrant for that kind of thing guise is perfect-so quaint and daring- in this matter. Only don't tell me you ly original-and would deceive even schemed your way here, and that you you have to prove the theft, you have Henson's eyes. I guessed who you are a lady detective. I read a good to swear an information to the effect were directly I found that you were many novels, and I don't like them." that you believe the property is in the taking a philanthropic interest in our "You may be easy on that score," possession of the thief, and that is not friend. It came to me by a kind of Chris laughed. "I am not a lady deeasy."

intuition, the knack that stood me in tective. All the same, I have defeated "There is nothing easier. I am pre such good stead in my professional Mr. Reginald Henson." days. When you said that you had "I am certain of it; unless you like pared to swear that cheerfully." "That you actually know that the been warned of Henson's coming by to believe in the truth of his charming roperty is in the possession of the

scheme to give you a lesson, as he thief?" "Certainly I do. I saw him put it it "Then perhaps you guessed that called it. As a matter of fact, Mr. his pocket." | Henson discovered the existence of the

"That was obvious. Also it was ob- other print: he discovered that Dr. Bell Bell looked at the speaker with blank vious that Henson brought Frank Lit- possessed it-the rest I leave to your surprise. If such was the fact, then Chris' present statement was exactly own astuteness. You saw his face just opposed to all that she had said before.

to steal the picture. I confronted him "Oh, yes. It was a fine study in She sat opposite to Bell, with a little with a revolver and locked him in one emotions. If you could find the other gleam of mischief in her lovely eyes. "You saw that man steal the Rembrandt?" Bell gasped. "I hope to restore it to you before

"Certainly not. But I did see him me from betraying myself to the poor | the day has passed." Littimer applauded, gently. He was

'Rather cruel of you, wasn't it?" charmed, he said, with the whole "Well, yes. But I wanted to make comedy. The first two acts had been formation on that." the exposure as complete as possible. a brilliant success. If the third was When the time comes to strip Regin- only as good he would regard Miss Lee teresting to tell me," Bell said. ald Henson of his pretentions and flog as his benefactor for ever. It was not him from the family, the more evi- often that anybody intellectually dence we can pile up the better. But amused him; in fact, he must add Miss when Reginald Henson made his per-Frank is not bad; he is merely weak Lee to his collection. when Reginald Henson made his per-sonal attempt to obtain the Rem-so inquisitive, and his present pose nd utierly in the power of that man.

"Then you must play a part your If we can only break the bonds, Frank will be a powerful factor on our into Moreton Wells, and Dr. Bell ac-brilliant success."

companies me. Mr. Henson is not to "It would have been but for you," "I daresay. But how was the Rem- know that we have gone, and he is not Bell murmured.

to leave the house for a good hour or "It was worked through an accom- so after our departure. What I want so. And perhaps Lord Littimer would done before you arrived. And there bringing a guest home to dinner." "Vague, mysterious, and alluring." so it would have gone hard with you Littimer said. "Bring the guest by all to prove your innocence. But I am ground. "Say to-night. Will you son drew the fact from me that I liked means. I will pledge my diplomacy andering from the point. Henson come?"

the terrace after dinner. By a bit of that you have a long start. Really, I good luck I found the accomplice and don't know when I have enjoyed my- I watched him carefully yesterday and more. The idea of his dining at the himself together in the day; in fact, I self so much. You shall have the big forced Reginald's hand so that he had waggonette for your journey." to introduce me to the man." "And join it beyond the lodge gates,"

"In which case you would know him Chris said, thoughtfully. "Dr. Bell, "Of course. Presently I am going to ally; I will follow as casually later

show you a little more of the comedy. on.

"It had to be

Well, I was on the terrace pretty late A little later Henson emerged from when I heard dear Reginald down the his room dressed evidently for a jour- Merritt came over and saw his chief, cliff calling for assistance. He pre- ney. He looked flabby and worried; with whom he had a long conversation der," he suggested. "There's plate and on the wrapper around each box. Sold Hay & Sons' house furnishing estabtended that he had slipped down the there was an expression very like fear in the grounds. I also forced myself there's pictures." cliff and could not get up again. By in his eyes. The corridor was deserted on Mr. Merritt's notice.

the aid of a rope that fortunately hap- as he passed the place where the Rempened to be close at hand I saved our brandt hung. He paused before the plucked from the burning, a converted read the leer in Merritt's eyes as he Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

Fifty Natives Reported to Hay Rev. James Merritt resided located at Many Children Among the Dead. length. It was a modest two-storyed tenement, and the occupier of the

Grand Trunk Pacific Proposes to In-Nome Feb. 27.-An epidemic o rooms was at home. Chris pushed her diphtheria is raging in the Kuskokwim way gaily in, followed by Bell, before the occupant could lay down the foul district. Fifty natives have died be

clay pipe he was smoking and button tween the Russian mission and George-the unaccustomed stiff white collar town, a distance of 85 miles. In some round his throat. Merritt whipped a villages the scourge wiped out all the tumbler under the table with amazing children.

celerity, but no cunning of his could emove the smell of gin that hung ungently on his murky atmosphere. Merritt dodged his head back de finantly as if half expecting a blow. His eyes were strained a little anxiously ver Bell's shoulder as if fearful of a

shadow. Bell had seen the type be fore-Merritt was unconsciously look-

ng for the police. "I am so glad to find you at home,' Tris said, sweetly,

Merritt muttered something that It hardly sounded complimentary. was quite evident that he was far from returning the compliment. He had recognized Bell, and was wondering fearfully if the latter was as sure of his identity. Bell's face betraved noth-

new leaf. I am particularly anxious

ing. All the same he was following Merritt's uneasy eye till it rested on and no desire for exercise. She coma roll of dirty namer on the mantleshelf. That roll of paper was the missing Rembrandt, and he knew it. "Won't you offer me a chair?" Chris asked, in the sweetest possible man-

ner. Merritt sulkily emptied a chair of a pile of cheap sporting papers, and denanded none too politely what busisteal my big diamond star and put it ness the lady had with him. Chris in his pocket. And I can swear an inproceeded to explain at considerable ength. As Merritt listened his eyes "I see that you have something ingleaned and a broadening grin spread over his face. He had done a great "Oh. indeed, I have. We will hark deal of that kind of thing, he admitback now to the night before last, ted. Since Henson had taken him up brandt and then played the trick upon was fruitful of large predatory gains.

> On the whole the prospect appealed to his imagination. Henson wouldn't like it, but, then, Henson was not in a po-

"Well, really, I am inclined to think sition to say too much. "I thought perhaps if you came over ond charge of theft. If he had done suggested. She spoke slowly and thoughtfully, with her eyes on

failed. But he was going to try again. Merritt grinned extensively once grams. Then I found that he had tele- sense of humor. He was at his ease, good they can do."

graphed to James Merritt, whose ad- seeing that Bell failed to recognize Dr. Williams' Pink Pills can make dress in Moreton Wells I carefully him. To dine at the castle, to note the every ailing girl and suffering woman you shall stroll through the park casu- noted down. It did not require much plate, and get a minute geographical in the land strong and healthy if they intellect to grasp the fact that this knowledge of the place from personal are given a fair trial. But great care Merritt was to be the accomplice in observation! . . . His mouth water- must be taken to see that you get the genuine pills with the full name, Dr. the new effort to steal the picture. Mr. ed at the thought.

"They ought to be more careful yon- Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People,

"He was introduced to me as a brand Littimer Castle," Bell said, crisply. He for \$2.50 by writing The Dr. Williams' vator. The elevator was going up at

cific would apply to parliament to in- trade. crease its capital from \$45,000,000 to SUFFERING WOMEN \$50,000,000, and to ask leave to issue \$25,000,000 debenture stock in lieu of an aged lady, who was shot throu \$20,000,000 preference stock. FIND HEALTH AND STRENGTH IN Cheque For Seven Millions. THE USE OF DR. WILLIAMS' Montreal, Feb. 28 .- The Canadian death. PINK PILLS. Pacific railway to-day forwarded to Every growing girl and every wo the treasurer of the province of Queman nearing middle life suffers from bec a cheque for seven million dollars ailments peculiar to her sex. At these This represents the balance due on times the health and happiness of the price of the Quebec-Montreal-Otevery girl and woman depend upon the tawa & Occidental railway, running richness and regularity of her blood. between Montreal and Quebec, which Look at the young girl whose blood is the Chapleau government sold to the weak and watery. Her face is pale, company in 1882, and on which the company has been paying interest ever her lips and gums bloodless. Her

head aches and her back aches. She since. The amount is to be applied in has no enegry, no life, a poor appetite the reduction of the provincial debt. plains that even to walk upstairs Montreal. Feb. 28 .- Two hundred leaves her breathless. And the woman sailors leave Liverpool on the C. P. R. in middle life-she is nervous, irritable liner Lake Manitoba, March 12th, for and depressed-liable to sudden attacks Vancouver as an experiment of the surance will consist of three mem of pain and distress that only a woman admiralty to see how speedy, in case The chairman will be a lawyer o knows of. She turns from food; horof necessity, troops can be transported judge, and with him will be assoc rible dizziness, hot and cold flashes, make her life miserable. But Dr. Wildizziness, hot and cold flashes, to the Far West.

liams' Pink Pills banish all this misery, because they fill the veins with Griswold, Man., Feb. 28 .- A shocking will be appointed. The insurance

rich, strong, healthy blood which gives affray occurred on the Indian reserve erintendent has ordered insurance tone and strength to every delicate here at 10 o'clock this morning over a panies in Canada to submit si organ. The case of Mrs. Geo. Danby, horse deal, and as a result Wambi- ments showing every employee or of Tilbury, Ont., is one of the many disko, one of the best farmers on the ager who is paid more than \$2,00 that proves that no medicine can comreserve, is dead. His assailant was a year in salary or commission pare with Dr. Williams' Pink Pills in Pipestone Indian named Wally Bear, amount he had been paid and a sta curing the ills of womankind. Mrs. who immediately skipped and consta- ment of service rendered. Danby says: "I think Dr. Williams' bles are chasing him.

Pink Pills are a blessing to suffering Broker Arrested. women. For a long time I was a

Hamilton, Feb. 28 .- Herbert P. Hem- tion Army for Canada, says a Lon great sufferer from the ailments that affect so many of my sex. I was ex- ing, stock broker, is under arrest on a dispatch. The steamer Kensington whether the ste tremely nervous at all times, suffered charge of false pretences preferred by has beer chartered for three voyages s a great deal with headaches and indi- J. B. Bethune. The charge was en- March 1st with one thousand emigrant gestion. In fact I was in a thoroughly larged for a week, bail being fixed at

is a fair start and the privilege of have given you in custody on a sec- with us and dined at the castle," Chris miserable condition when I began the \$1,000. Bethune's lawyer claims Hem-The Imperial House of Commons use of Dr. Williams' Pills, but after ing represented to complainant that Tuesday appropriated \$272,080 to complain the taking them a short time I began to \$800 was required to protect certain sate France for the loss to her fishi improve, and, through their further stock bought on margin. Bethune paid rights on the coast of Newfound use, I am now feeling like a new wo- the money, and it is alleged Heming

crease Capital-Fireman Sent to

Prison For Arson.

Interesting Experiment.

Tragedy on Reserve.

Montreal, Feb. 28 .- It was announced

man. I. am sure if all sick women applied it to stock not required. Hemwould take Dr. Williams' Pink Pills ing made an assignment managed to see his letters and tele- castle appealed to his own peculiar they would be convinced of the great His estate is valued at about \$50, Got Five Years.

> Sarnia, Feb. 28 .- James Milne, man, was sentenced vesterday to years in the penitentiary for ars Carpenter Killed.

the time, and a heavy weight fell.

Toronto, Feb. 28 .- Nelson Ha oreman carpenter, was killed in by medicine dealers everywhere or lishment yesterday while examining "Nothing has ever been stolen from sent by mail at 50c. a box or six boxes the work of his men on a freight ele

rate was swelled this wreck of the Valence o: the bodies recovere Toronto, Feb. 28 .- The admission here. Newfoundland and the British We -----Indies into the confederation of Ca ada was advocated in a resolut

-On Saturday even match will be playe Fifth Regiment and at the drill hall. In that the latter recently Westminster team, ge ed the fatest Mainland test is expected to p usuelly interesting. ------

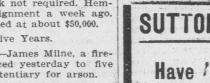
-A meeting of th Fishermen's Union wa when it was decided to pound for red springs pound for white sprit advance of one cent on was got last year. The good till April 15th. rate of 5c. for reds and will be accepted until of May, after which struck for the remainde

-In chambers on We Mr. Justice Irving, a made for affidavits of examination in the ca Railway Company vs C fins vs. Lenora, furthe applied for and an orde ingly. Sanford Manufa Davies, et al., was an appoint a receiver, rterrogatories and to reply. This was comp -0-

-Tuesday night W. C the Dominion seed d rived from Ottawa. He ourpose of securing s estigating the charac placed on the marke will address meetings ns of the province, een invited to speak on of the Farmers' (now in progress at uildings. Mr. Killican he Dominion hotel.

-An Easter social to y was discussed at a oria Hive, No. 1, Ladi abees last evening. Co less was transacted and during the evening ead from Mrs. Hasell, Ladies' Auxiliary, Prov lee hospital, acknow! wipt of \$50, which was cuted by Victoria Hi ueen Alexandra towar ng of a cot in the con ren's ward.

-The citizens of Hal ating for a better ma esent they only get ionth, and with the ance of the district th tis service is altogeth



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ull, a John estab-	BRACKMAN-KER MILLING