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**A Mysterious Disappearance**  
By Gordon Holmes

A Great Detective Story

(Continued.)

Mrs. Hillmer and I discussed the matter several times. He urged that this compromising friendship should be discontinued. She—a determined woman when her mind was made up—tough the suggestion on the ground of unfairness, though, like myself, she would have been glad of any accident which would alter the position of affairs.

He interpreted her opposition to different motives. Finally, as his financial position was a dangerous one, as we afterwards learned, and he despaired of setting things straight in Raleigh Mansions—judging them from his own point of view—he resolved to leave England again.

And now I come to the night of November 6.

It was, as you remember, a foggy and unpleasant day. I had some business in the city, which detained me until darkness set in. I had not seen Mrs. Hillmer for two days, so I resolved to drive to Sloane Square—travelling by the Underground was intolerable in such weather—and have tea with her.

I did not know then that she had had with her maid to Brighton—intending to return that evening. It was a sudden when she told me subsequently, and she had not even informed the other servants of her intention.

The pavements in the city were shiny with the dampness of the fog, and as an empty four-wheeler passed through Cornhill I heard it, a most unusual choice on my part. The cabman, I noticed, was fairly elevated, but as these fellows often drive better when drunk than sober I simply told him to be careful and jugged in.

I reached Sloane Square all right and detained the cab for my intended journey home in time for Mrs. Hillmer's flat I met the cook and housemaid, both going out to do some shopping, probably, in the spare hour before it was time to prepare dinner.

They knew me well, of course, and admitted me to the drawing-room, telling me Mrs. Hillmer was out, but would surely return very soon.

I had not been in the room a minute before the sharp double knock of a telephone messenger brought the coachman, whom the girl had left in charge of the house, to the door, and I started the man by appearing in the hall, as he had been of my presence.

"What is it, Simmons?" I said, as I correctly guessed the message to be from Mrs. Hillmer.

"The missus is in Brighton, sir," he answered. "She wants the carriage to meet her at Victoria at seven o'clock. It's six now, and I ought to go round to the stable at once, but both these blessed girls have gone out. I'm in a fair fix."

"No fix at all," I said. "I want to see Mrs. Hillmer, so I will wait here until she arrives—or, at all events, till the servants come back."

The man scratched his head, but he thought of no better plan, so he, too, went off, and I was left alone, for the first time in my life, in Mrs. Hillmer's abode. It is the small events that govern our lives, Claude, not those that stand out prominently. The shopping expedition of a couple of servant girls, intent on securing a new cap, or a couple of yards of calico, brought about my wife's death, caused misery to many people, and ends, I sincerely hope, in my own speedy leap into oblivion.

I picked up a novel, "Tess of the D'Urbervilles," hit upon the terrible episode that culminates on Salisbury Plain, and was soon deeply interested, when another knock—this time an imperative summons long drawn out—caused me to hasten to the door.

I opened it, and in the dim light of the staircase landing, for a second did not recognize the lady who stood outside. Heaven help me, I was soon enlightened. My wife's voice was bitterly contemptuous as she said:

"You don't keep a footman, it appears in your new establishment, Charles."

I had been struck blind, or paralyzed, I could not have been more dumfounded than by Alice's unexpected appearance. A thorough scandal might, perhaps, have thought of the best thing to say. I blurted out the word:

"What are you doing here?" I stammered when my tongue recovered its use.

"No doubt you resent my appearance," she cried, in a high shrill tone I had never before heard from her, "but I shall

**Fashion Hint for Times Readers**



**A WHITE CLOTH EVENING WRAP.**

Some women always look prettiest in pure white, and nothing is more beautiful and distinguished for evening wear than the white wrap of rich material. This graceful cloak of white broadcloth is cut on cape lines, the sides being slashed up and the edges caught together to form loose sleeves. Straps of braiding, also in white, trim the wrap, and there is a lined black velvet piping at sleeve and neck openings which not only adds a chic French touch, but protects the white fabric. The hat is a Palm Beach model of fine mauve straw faced with white velvet and trimmed with a sweeping atrephine in pale watercolor color.

**FAVORITE FOOD DIVERSION OF WON'T HURT YOU THE ALLEGASH**

**Give Your Stomach a Good Eat Without Fear of Indigestion or Distress in Stomach.**

**Pius Michaud Introduces an Important Subject in the Dominion Legislature.**

At there is often some one in your family who suffers an attack of indigestion, or some form of stomach trouble, why don't you keep a case of Diaphean in the house handy?

This harmless blessing will digest anything you can eat without the slightest discomfort, and regulate a sour stomach five minutes after.

Tell your pharmacist to let you read the formulae printed on these 30-cent cases of Diaphean, then you will readily see why they cure indigestion, Sour Stomach, Heartburn and prevent at once such miseries as Belching of Gas, Eructations of sour indigested food, Nausea, Headaches, Dizziness, Constipation and other stomach disorders.

Some folks have tried so long to find relief from indigestion with the common every day cures advertised that they have about made up their minds that they have something else wrong, or believe there is a case of Nervousness, Diarrhea, Catarrh of the Stomach, or Cancer.

This is a serious mistake. Your real trouble, it may be, is not indigestion, it is indigestion of the stomach, which will putrefy in the entire digestive tract and intestines, and besides, poison the breath and nauseate the odor.

A hearty appetite, with thorough digestion, and without the slightest discomfort, is the result of a good stomach. It is waiting for you as soon as you decide to try Diaphean.

The place was crisscrossed with eating, will promptly digest all your food, the same as a strong, healthy stomach would do it.

**ANCIENT SILVER MINES TO CLOSE Saxony Properties Having History of 1,000 Years—Owners Come to North America**

The ancient silver mines at Freiberg, Saxony, where a number of the old-time engineers of America were trained in practical work while students at technical institutions in Germany, will be permanently closed in April. These mines have a history going back upward of 1,000 years.

The first thalers, from which came the word dollar, were coined from silver found in the Freiberg mines. For centuries the German traders called castellers, from whose merchants and bankers in England the word sterling as applied to money derived its name, derived their bar and coined silver for trading at the great fairs of all parts of Europe from these Saxony mines. Many a war was fought in order to get control of the silver mines at Freiberg.

Until the vast stores of silver began to flow into Europe from South America and Mexico the Saxony silver mines were a factor of prime importance to all the metal-working and woolen and leather industries of Germany which maintained selling agencies in the Low Countries, England and France, Italy and Spain. From first to last the Saxony mines are estimated as having produced silver to the value of \$1,500,000,000. The mines have long been operated at a loss. The owners have tried to gain every resource of science and all types of mining apparatus, so they will close them. As certain industrial men among the former operators of these Saxony mines are concerned in export industries that are based upon a silver standard of exchange of value, they have lately acquired considerable blocks of stock in North American silver mines, which are producing at the present time a handsome profit for the capital employed.

Granite Rock Division, Sons of Temperance, of West Side, intend celebrating their fifty-seventh anniversary this evening at the Temperance hall, Carleton, with a social entertainment. Members of the order are invited.

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**FACTORY REPORT SUBMITTED TO HOUSE**

**Inspector McMullin Finds Small Cause for Complaint, But Says Long Hair is a Menace to Machine Operators—The Evangeline Home.**

Fredericton, N. B., March 22.—The report of the factory inspector which was presented by the provincial secretary this afternoon reports that many factories have been enlarged during the year and many more have added improvements. Among the new factories mentioned are three large saw mills and the mill of the N. B. P. & C. Co., at Millerton. The majority of the factories are reported in good condition but a number will admit of improvement. In some cases a lack of cleanliness is referred to and in many of the smaller saw mills the machinery is not yet properly guarded.

The inspector has found but few instances of the employment of child labor in New Brunswick factories, and when found they were speedily investigated.

There have been no boiler explosions and no elevator accidents during the year. He reports thirty accidents during the year, only one of which proved fatal. In this section he says: "A very serious accident occurred not long ago, was caused by the hair of a female employee being caught in moving machinery. It is at all times very dangerous in factories for the hair to be worn loosely and I am of the opinion that a section should be added to the factory act providing that employees shall see that the hair of female employees shall be securely fastened up during working hours as a precautionary measure against accidents."

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Mr. W. Perkins, South Maitland, N.S., writes: "I feel it my duty to let you know of the great cure I have obtained by using Don's Kidney Pills. For six months I could not obtain a good night's sleep, and I had to get up four or five times to urinate, and the urine was very thick and red. I commenced Don's Kidney Pills and in a very short time I was right and well again. I am very thankful to Mr. Perkins for sending me a box for \$1.25, at all dealers or mailed direct by The T. Millburn Co., Limited, Toronto, Ont."

**VETERANS HELD A PLEASANT DINNER**

**Military Veterans Celebrated 43 Anniversary By Enjoyable Function Last Evening**

With patriotic speeches, songs and good fellowship, the forty-third anniversary dinner of the New Brunswick Military Veterans, held last evening in the Adams House, Princess street, passed off very pleasantly. The speeches naturally were of a martial, patriotic and inspiring nature, with a slight flavoring of civil politics from members of the common council.

There were more than fifty members of the association and their guests and all did justice to the bountiful repast provided.

The toast to the King was received with enthusiasm and Dr. J. W. Daniel, M. P., responded to the toast of the Dominion Government.

Messages of regret at their inability to be present were read from Premier Hazen, Col. M. B. Edwards, and Captain McKenzie, of the New Brunswick Militia. The toast to the Active Militia, proposed by Col. Blaine, brought responses from Lt. Col. Wedderburn and Lt. Col. Beate.

The South African Veterans, who were represented by Capt. F. C. Jones, Messrs. Buchanan, Sergeant James McCarthy, of the A. O. H. Cadets, was also called upon, and in his absence, Ald. McDougal, responded in a witty speech.

The toast to the Mayor and Common Council brought responses from Mayor Bullock, Ald. Kelley, Frink, Willett and Sprout.

Interpreted between the speeches were musical selections and recitations by Stephen Matthews, recitation by Mr. Percy McAvity. A pleasant social evening was enjoyed. The next meeting will be held on April 4.

Stetson, Cutler & Co.'s mill at Indian-town started Monday for the season last evening, and about five weeks for repairs. There are about 150 hands employed. Miller Bros' shingle mill resumed work on Saturday. The other departments in the mill will be in operation today. It is expected that other mills will be getting into the season in a few days.

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**TORONTO MAN A WOMAN'S LIFE TALKS OF WAR SAVED BY DOGS**

**He Says Opinion in England is That Clash With Germany Must Come Soon.**

**Inhuman Montreal Man Beat His Sister Inhuman While Trying to Rob Her Home.**

Toronto, March 22.—With a loaded revolver in his possession Frederick M. Clark, thirty years of age, of Wellington street, who detectives had been looking for since Saturday week on a charge of home breaking and attempting to murder his sister, was picked up in West Craig street tonight.

Clark and a companion broke into his brother's house, 547 Wellington street, Point St. Charles, a week ago Saturday, and when discovered in the basement by Mrs. Sarah Clark, they rained blows on her head with an iron bar until she fell bleeding and unconscious at their feet. Had it not been for the presence in the house of two dogs, an Irish terrier and collie, who attacked the two men and alarmed another sister, who was up stairs in bed, she might have met a similar fate.

When the sister rushed to the head of the stairway she saw the Irish terrier hanging to the arm of a man who had an iron bar in his hand and who was half way across the dining room, while the collie dog was attacking and tearing at one in the basement. It was a few minutes after 7 o'clock in the morning and the girl upstairs raised a window and shouted for help. The man, who was in the house, fled out the back door and made his escape.

Before Mrs. Clark was felled by an iron bar she recognized her brother and despite her appeal: "Oh Fred, you would kill your sister," she was struck down by his companion.

**OBITUARY**

**John Clay**

Moncton, N. B., March 22.—(Special.) John Clay, a well known I. C. R. porter and chef on General Manager Pottinger's private car, died in the hospital this morning as a result of pneumonia, one of the system. Deceased had been in the employ of the I. C. R. since 1881. He was born in Dresden (Ont.), where his mother still resides. He was fifty-five years of age, and was well known all over the government road, having accompanied the general manager, as well as other officials, on numerous trips to every point of the road. Deceased was a member of the Masonic fraternity, and had many friends all along the I. C. R. The body was forwarded tonight to his former home in Dresden for interment.

The Moncton Curling Club wound up the season tonight with a skating party, a large number of members and friends being present.

**GOVERNMENT APPOINTMENTS INVESTIGATION BOARD**

**Dominion Coal Co. Will Not Submit Workmen's Grievance to Arbitration**

Halifax, March 22.—(Special.)—The Dominion Coal Company refused to appoint a representative on the board of conciliation asked for by the United Mine Workers of America, and the government named George S. Campbell, of Halifax. He and D. McDougall, the U. M. W. A. representative, had a second conference today, but failed to agree on a third member, and the government had to step in a second time, when they appointed Judge W. B. Wallace, of the Halifax county court.

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