

# THE USUPPER

"It is," retorted Lavarick coolly. "And although you think it's a lie, it's the truth. That's where Providence comes in. I tell you—" he spoke slowly and emphatically—"that I was almost tempted to stop in England and run the risk of being sent back to quod, that I might find this girl; but I couldn't screw myself up to the point, and I crossed the herring pond and there, at the other end of the world, I came upon her. I should have missed her, perhaps, forever, if I'd stopped here. See? You think I'm lying?"

Jordan sneered.

"You will find it difficult to prove her identity, my friend," he said.

"Shall I?" retorted Lavarick, with a sinister smile. "I think not. While she's alive she can prove her identity anywhere, at any time. You want to know how? You sneer and snigger as if I was telling you something a child wouldn't believe. I'll tell you how. Just before her father died—mind, I was there; I'm telling what I saw—I gave her the papers that would prove who she was. He told me to hide them till she was eighteen. He knew Sir Greville had sworn to ruin him and his and he was afraid that the old man would wound the girl as he had done her father and mother. So she was to hide the papers. I saw her put them in her bosom—"

He stopped, for Jordan had looked up with a keen glitter in his eyes.

"You've got those papers," he said in a low, eager voice.

Lavarick's face fell for the first time, and he looked—well, quite ashamed and crestfallen as he struck the table and swore.

"I've said I'd act on the square with you and I will. No, I've not got 'em, I've risked my life for 'em, not once or twice only, and each time I've been balked. But," he uttered an awful oath, "I will have them yet!"

Jordan watched him closely. Lavarick's tone and manner convinced Jordan till she was partly speaking the truth—if not the whole of it.

Lavarick drew his hand across his mouth.

"Nephew! This is dry work, and I've warmed myself up talking and thinking of all I've gone through. Let's have something to drink."

Jordan showed no resentment at the insolently rough command rather than request, but nodded almost pleasantly.

"You shall have some wine," he said.

"Curse your wine! Bring some brandy," said Lavarick, curtly.

"Certainly," said Jordan, and went softly out of the room.

Lavarick followed him to the door and looked round the handsome corridor, with its costly carpets and hangings, pictures and statuary.

"Ah," he muttered, "I'll have a place as good as this myself presently."

Jordan picked up a salver with a liquor bottle and a water carafe and glasses, and a candle, and putting them on the table, waved his hand.

"Help yourself!" he said, as he lit the candle.

Lavarick poured out a liberal quantity of brandy and a very small quantity of water and raised it to his lips, but suddenly arrested the glass half way, and with a start looked suspiciously at Jordan, who stood silently regarding him.

"Here!" said Lavarick sharply; "drink yourself!"

Jordan shook his head.

"I do not drink," he said.

Lavarick springing off the table and seized him by the throat.

"You mean I've heard of you!" he snarled.

"You would, eh? I'll choke you first!"

Jordan struggled desperately and succeeded in exclaiming:

"What are you doing? What is the matter?"

"Matter!" hissed Lavarick. "You've drugged the liquor!"

Jordan gasped a denial, his voice half-choked; but Lavarick held the glass to his lips.

"Drink!" he said. "Drink, or I'll—" and he caught up the revolver.

Jordan took the glass in his shaking hand.

"You fool!" he said, trembling with rage at the indignity he had suffered. "Do you think I'd stoop to work with such tools as you use?"

"Never mind that," returned Lavarick, sulkily. "Drink, and drink a good draught. I'd trust you, Sir Jordan, just as far as I could see you; no further. You've had time to doctor the stuff, and if you haven't done it, you've no cause to refuse to drink it."

Jordan, with a gesture of contempt, gulped a draught of the strong mixture and set the glass down.

"Enough," he said. "My patience is exhausted. I'd rather give up anything than spend another quarter of an hour breathing the same air with you. The will—you have come to sell it; name your price. I will buy it here and now, or never!"

Lavarick, still with smouldering rage, replenished his glass and glared at him.

"Well see! And you think I'm such a fool as to trust myself in your company with the thing about me. Not me, Sir Jordan! I know you too well. I saw you scolding down at the old man when he was saying there and mocking him to the face, and I know the kind of a gentleman I've got to deal with. I'd rather trust a tiger than you, Sir Jordan, for all your snaky smile and smooth voice!"

Jordan, writhing with impotent rage, beat the devil's tattoo with his foot.

"Don't try me too far!" he said, threateningly. "I'm more than half inclined to bid you your worst!"

Lavarick sneered.

"How nice it would read in the papers, wouldn't it? The great Sir Jordan Lyne and his father's will. I'm not here that it isn't a case for a judge and jury and grand jury. You'll look well in the prison regiments, Sir Jordan, and you wouldn't be so ready to talk of convicts, eh? But I'm as ready for business as you are. Here's my terms: I'll part with the will to you—as you're an old friend—for five and twenty thousand pounds."

Jordan laughed bitterly and mockingly.

"I expected some such preposterous attempt at blackmail," he said. "I refuse! Do your worst! I defy you! And I regret that I have not done what I should have done the moment you forced your way in—handed you over to the police."

"Right," said Lavarick, cheerfully, as he got off the table and began to button up his coat. "That's my offer, and I don't budge from it." He swore. "I'll give you till to-morrow night to think it over. I've got some business to do

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### A WAR SCARE.

#### U. S. FLEET IN PACIFIC MAY CAUSE TROUBLE.

European Statesmen Regard Matter With Greater Anxiety Than Any International Crisis of Recent Years.

London, Oct. 2.—Europe has begun to take keen and spectacular interest in the sending of the American fleet to the Pacific. It sees in the proposed naval demonstration but a provocative move against Japan and it will await its outcome with lively impatience. The situation appears to them to involve nothing beyond a quarrel between the United States and Japan, and it cannot be said to-day that European public sentiment inclines to either side.

Very different, indeed, is the view taken by the Chancellors of Europe, and especially by Downing Street. European statesmen regard the matter with greater anxiety than any international crisis of recent years. Opinions agree in this, that the sending of the fleet, no matter what peaceful protestations, is a distinctly provocative move, and the danger of untoward incidents which intentionally or unintentionally might lead to war is immense. In a word, if the American armada goes to the Far East, Europe will expect war to follow.

It is the general opinion of the diplomatic world that the premature settlement of the Russo-Japanese War was the greatest mistake in Mr. Roosevelt's career. Another year's campaign would have brought freedom within the grasp of the Russian people, and so exhausted Japan that the yellow danger would have been postponed to the distant future.

Another section of the diplomatic circle puts quite a different interpretation upon the American policy. They find it easy to believe the current report that there is a tacit or definite understanding that the German fleet will be ready to protect American interests in the Atlantic. This would signify many things. It would be Kaiser Wilhelm's reply to all of King Edward's great diplomatic work of the past three years for safeguarding the peace of Europe. It might easily result in arraying the United States and Germany against England and Japan.

Convocation Hall, Toronto University, housed a large assemblage yesterday, when the inaugural exercises of the newly-formed faculty of education in connection with the University of Toronto took place.

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### A DOUBLE MURDER.

#### Mother and Son Found Dead in Barn at Loudonville.

Albany, Oct. 2.—Believing that he can throw some light on the double murder committed at Loudonville on the outskirts of Albany, the police of various places in this vicinity searched for hours to-day for trace of Jacob Besche, a farm hand, but up to midnight had not located him. The search began to-day directly after the discovery of the bodies of Mrs. Katherine Dargatz, wife of John A. Dargatz, a farmer, and their nine-year-old adopted son.

The woman was bound about the neck and arms with ropes, her body suspended from a rafter in the barn in the rear of her home. Nearby was the body of her son, lying in a pool of blood, his skull being crushed in with an axe. John A. Dargatz, husband of the woman, was taken into custody and will be held to answer to-morrow.

The clothes of Besche were found in his room. His trunk was found later in the hayloft of the barn, concealed under a large quantity of hay.

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### BIG JUMP IN RATES.

#### C. P. R. Springs Surprise on Winnipeg Newspapers.

Winnipeg, Oct. 2.—Consequent upon the action of the C. P. R. Telegraph Company in raising tolls at a moment's notice, so that the following are the increased day rates from western Ontario, 114 per cent.; night rate from western Ontario, 100 per cent.; day rate from Alberta, 100 per cent.; night rate from Saskatchewan, 114 per cent.; night rate from Saskatchewan, 100 per cent.—The Free Press to-day published a strongly condemnatory editorial, especially condemning the fact that the rates were retroactive. It says in part: "It is not very long since the C. P. R. Telegraph Company cancelled the press rate from Toronto to Winnipeg, which had been in existence for over a dozen years. The new schedule increased the night press rate 66 per cent. and the day rate 233 per cent.—only 233 per cent!"

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### ST. CATHARINES.

#### Local Option Campaign Started—Grapes Shipped to the West.

St. Catharines, Oct. 2.—Temperance people of the city by a unanimous vote have decided to inaugurate a fifteen months' campaign for local option, and to have the measure voted upon at the municipal elections in January, 1909.

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