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THE WEAPONS OF MYSTERY
BY JOSEPH HOCKING.
Author of "All Men are Liars," "Fields of Fair Renown," etc., etc.

(Continued)
I got into Oxford-street and got on a bus. Mechanically I bought a paper, one of the leading dailies. Listlessly I opened it, and the first words that met my eyes were "Reviews of Books." I glanced down the column and saw the words: "David Eggholm," by George MacDonald. "This book is one of remarkable power," the paper went on to say, "and will appeal to the highest class of minds. Its interest is more than ordinary, because it deals with the fascinating subjects of Animal Magnetism, Mesmerism, and Spiritualism. Moreover, Dr. MacDonald shows what enormous power, for evil or for good, may be exerted by it; indeed, the principal characters in the story are so influenced by it, that the author is led to make quite a study of these occult sciences."
I did not read the review further; what I had read was sufficient to determine me to buy the book. Accordingly, on my arrival in the city, I obtained a copy, and then, with all possible haste, I made my way home, and, throwing myself in a chair, set down to read it.

I did not cease reading until I had finished what I regarded, then, and still regard, as one of the finest religious novels of the age. This may seem to many extravagant praise; but when I remember the influence it had on my life, I feel inclined to hold to my opinion.
Putting aside the three parts of the book, that in which I was so fearfully interested might be briefly stated thus:—Memoriam and animal magnetism may be recorded as being the weapons of the power to mesmerize, may subjugate the will of those who are susceptible to mesmeric influences, and hold them in a complete and terrible slavery. The oftener the victim yields to the will of the mesmerist, the stronger will his power become. There is only one means by which the person under the influence can be freed. This is by obtaining a strength superior to that of the mesmerist, which is only to be realized by being in communion with the Higher Self, and participating in that Life. Only the Divine power in the life of the victim can make him possess a power superior to the mesmerist's. Possessing that, he becomes free, because he possesses a life superior to mere physical or human power.

The victim in the novel is led to seek that Divine Life in her, and although she loses her physical life, she dies freed from the terrible thrall which has been cursing her existence.
That is all I need write concerning the book I have mentioned, i. e., descriptive of its teaching.
It turned my mind into a new channel. The teaching seemed scientific and reasonable. If there were a God, who was the Source of all life, he could, by entering into the life of any individual, give him such forces as would be superior to any other force. This was true, further, because all evil was in opposition to the laws of the universe, and thus the good must overcome the evil.
This, however, I clearly saw; if I would possess the power of God in me, I must submit myself wholly and unreservedly to Him. He had made me a free agent, and I must allow Him to possess me wholly. I will not dissent what followed. It is too sacred a subject to parade. We cannot write on paper our deepest feelings; we cannot describe in words the yearnings and experiences of the soul. Were I to try I could give no adequate idea of my hopes and fears, my prayers and struggles. To realize my life, a similar condition must be experienced.

I ask, however, that I may be believed when I say that a month later I really believed in God, and soon I began to realize His power. I felt a new life growing in me, a higher life. I began to be possessed of a power whereby I could conquer myself, subjugate my own will, and be master over my passions. The reader may smile as he or she reads this, but this is true; when I became possessed of a life whereby I became master of my lower self, I felt free from Voltair's power. I realized that to be master over myself meant being a slave to none.
I was free, and I knew it. A fuller, richer life surged within me, enabling me to rise above the occult forces of our physical and mental nature. Hope lived within me, and confidence as to the future began to inspire me.

CHAPTER XV.—BEGINNING TO SEARCH.
No sooner did I begin to feel freed from Voltair's power than I began to exert myself to find Kaffar, if indeed he were to be found. There was much in my favor. I possessed freedom; I had plenty of money; I had plenty of time. On the

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Fashion Hint for Times Readers



A LITTLE MOHAIR SCHOOL FROCK.
The lightweight striped mohair make dainty frocks for the small schoolgirl, and this fabric as well being very durable, is easily cleaned. The modified "sailor" model shown here has a broad collar of notched-shouldered shape with a shield to match, and the skirt and belt are in the color of the stripes in the mohair. The graceful little skirt is trimmed with a hand band of the material, and, of course, the prudent mother will supply a generous hem for "letting down another year."

DR. PUGSLEY HOPEFUL THAT BOUNDARY TROUBLE WILL BE SATISFACTORILY SETTLED

Ottawa, Jan. 10.—That the treaties between Canada and the United States designed to settle satisfactorily all outstanding questions relative to international boundaries and fisheries, are in a fair way to conclusion is the assurance which Hon. Dr. Pugsley brings back from Washington. The minister of public works spent a week in the United States capital in conference with the government regarding details of the treaties which required certain readjustments, and returned to Ottawa on Saturday.
"It is not unlikely that the commission will deal also with the erection of storage dams on the tributaries of the river in order to store large quantities of water so as to equalize the flow during the dry season."
"The government has appointed two practical commissioners (Messrs. Barnhill and Keefe of St. John), and it is expected that the United States government will take up the whole question very soon."
"The prime minister Dr. Pugsley will likely report tomorrow the result of his negotiations."
London, Jan. 9.—The foreign office is awaiting the opinion of Canada and of Newfoundland on the drafts of the waterways and fisheries treaties, agreed to by Secretary Root and Ambassador Bryce. The drafts of the waterways treaty have been in the hands of the colonial office for a week and Canada has been asked whether she approves it. As yet no reply has been received.
While not willing to express an opinion with regard to this subject, it is understood that the foreign office officials think that the draft of this treaty is one that might be accepted very willingly by Canada. Secretary Root having conceded a number of points. In fact on the principle that a commission should be appointed, the governments are agreed, the only differences arising over how the agreement shall be carried out.
The draft of the fisheries treaty has just been forwarded to the colonial office, and notwithstanding the fact that the international boundary between New Brunswick and the State of Maine.
"It is expected that the commission will set out investigating the subject carefully, and that what means may best be adopted in order to preserve the river and prevent interference with the flotation logs down the St. John."

MONCTON NEWS

Two Well Known Residents Died Yesterday—New R. C. Chapel Opened for Service.
Moncton, Jan. 10.—Mrs. McLaren, wife of Charles R. McLaren, the well known clerk in the I. G. R. office, died this morning at her home in Levisville, aged 35 years. Seven children survive. Deceased was a daughter of Charles H. Thomas and niece of Rev. W. B. Thomas, the well known Methodist minister.
The new Catholic chapel at Levisville was opened for worship this morning. Rev. Father Savage conducted the first mass at 7.30. The new edifice will be solemnly opened some time next spring but with the bishop's permission, services will be conducted every Sunday morning in future until dedication.
Mrs. James A. Wilson, aged 75 years, died this morning at the home of her son, Norman G. Wilson, here, after a week's illness. Deceased formerly lived in Salisbury, she is survived by her husband, two sons and five daughters. The daughters are: Mrs. H. Miner, Anson; Mrs. Wm. Holton, formerly of St. John; Mrs. Rufus Noyles, Athol; Mrs. R. Goudoe, Mrs. Myles Power, Moncton.

ENGINEER PIERCEY GETS BETTER PLACE
Charles W. Piercey has been appointed engineer of No. 3 fire station and superintendent of the fire alarm system in succession to the late Joseph W. Green.
The appointment was made by Chief Kerr on Saturday afternoon in the No. 1 salvage corps room where, in the presence of a number of the men of No. 3 company and the salvage corps, the chief engineer, Mr. Piercey, was in charge.
The new superintendent was warmly congratulated by all present. He has been engineer at No. 4 station for a long time and during the late Mr. Green's illness was acting superintendent of the fire alarm. Now he is promoted to the position. He is the senior engineer in the department and popular among the fire fighters.
Chief Kerr said he would make the appointment of successor to Mr. Piercey at No. 4 later.

SWISS CHURCH FALLS; CONGREGATION ALL INJURED
Forty Corpses Taken Out of the Ruins of a Village Church Near Sion in Switzerland.
Bern, Switzerland, Jan. 10.—During a severe snow storm today an ancient church near Sion suddenly collapsed, burying the worshippers in the ruins. Practically all the members of the congregation were killed or injured. The wildest panic prevailed, those who escaped rushing through the folds, shouting that an earthquake had overtaken the village. Other villages joined in the outcry and were with difficulty calmed.
After an hour's exertions the fire company of the place extricated forty corpses, but it is believed that there is still a number under the timbers. Sixty persons were badly injured. The collapse of the church was caused by the time-worn pillars in the underground crypt giving way.

TELLS MONCTON LEAGUE ABOUT EVERY DAY CLUB
Moncton, Jan. 10.—(Special)—A. M. Belling, of St. John, delivered an interesting address this afternoon before the Men's League in Central Methodist church. There was a large attendance. Mr. Belling spoke on "Social Reform and Individual Man," speaking particularly of the origin of the St. John Every-day Club, explaining the manner in which it is conducted.
Quite a large number of bids for \$75,000 worth of city school bonds have been received by the school trustees and will be voted at a meeting of the board tonight. There is a forty year issue of \$9,500 four per cent debentures. There are two twenty-five year issues for \$9,500 and \$8,500 respectively, also four per cent, valued at four and a half per cent. The last named is for the purpose of paying for the new Winter street annex now under the course of construction.
J. P. Byrne, M. P. P., of Bathurst, was at the Royal on Saturday.

Mother Gave Her Child Away.

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Mrs. Andrew Savoy, Gratton's, N.B., writes:—"In the year 1905 I was taken sick and did not think I could live any length of time. My trouble was with my heart and people told me that nothing could be done for a case like mine. I consulted the best doctors but they could do me no good. For seven weeks I could hardly cross the floor. I had no pain, but was so weak nobody was willing to believe I felt. I had given up all hopes of living and had given my little girl to my sister-in-law."
"One day a friend came to see me, and calling me by name, said, 'Lizzie, if I were you I would try Dr. Milburn's Heart and Nerve Pills as they are good for heart trouble.' My husband got me a box, but for two days I was not feeling any better, but on the fourth day my husband said, 'I believe those pills are doing you good.' I felt those pills were doing me good. I will get you another box right away. I took them and in a few days I felt better than I have for a long time. I had not been sick since then."
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A DEATH SENTENCE FOR NIGHT RIDERS

Six Tennessee Murderers Will be Hanged on Feb. 17th—Others Get 20 Years in Prison.

Union City, Tenn., Jan. 9.—Without a tremor, six men of Reelfoot Lake heard judgment passed today condemning them to pay with their lives for the part they were convicted of having played in putting to death Captain Quentin Ranken at Walnut Log. The deed was done by a band of so-called "night riders" of which the six men were declared to have been the leaders. Whatever may have been their emotions, they faced the court bravely and with the stoical expressions which have been their marked characteristic during the sensational trial of which today was the climax.
Court convened shortly after noon, the room being crowded with people from the lake. With small ceremony, an antiphonal motion of the defense for a new trial was overruled by Judge Jones. Then a death-like quiet, the six men, Garret Johnson, Sam Applewhite, Tid Burton, Bob Sanson, Arthur Clear and Fred Pinion, convicted of murder in the first degree, each in his turn, faced Judge Jones and were sentenced to hang on Friday, Feb. 15, at such day of their execution.
As they turned to resume their places in the prisoner's dock, a faint, half-hearted smile played on the faces of Pinion and Johnson, but beyond this, they could not utter a word. Known less emotion were they, as of stone.
The proceedings ended, the court room was thronged with friends and relatives of the prisoners and friends, the men were led back to jail to await the carrying out of the court's decree, which is a higher court not intervene. An appeal has been taken to the supreme court, where the legal efforts of the defense will be as vigorous as during the trial proceedings. The other men, Bud Morris and Bob Huffman, men guilty of murder in the second degree, received a sentence named by the jury, twenty years in the penitentiary.
On the part of the auditors, there was not a semblance of a demonstration, and the squad of soldiers stationed about the room had little to do. They heard the trial with the same calm as marked the principals. The old mother of Fred Pinion was among those in the court room, and notwithstanding she must have suffered a mother's emotions, to all appearances she might have been a disinterested spectator on a casual visit to the court. This was but an example of other relatives of the men. As to those who aided the prosecution, there was no performance but they were as silent as the friends of the convicted men.
In an impressive sentence, Judge Jones declared that he could see no mitigating circumstances, mentioned by the jury in the return of the verdict, and considered that reference but a compromise with some of the jury who hesitated at a death sentence.

BRITISH CAPITALISTS TAKE OVER SOO WORKS

Toronto, Jan. 10.—British capitalists, headed by Robert Fleming of Edinburgh and London, will know as one of the most successful financial men in Great Britain, have bought large interests in the Lake Superior Corporation, which comprises the varied Soo industries. Associated with Mr. Fleming is F. S. Pearson, D. Sc., the eminent engineer of London and New York, who will have general direction of the undertakings.
What interest the present directors will retain and the composition of the new directors will appear during the next few months. The question of organization is now under consideration.
The transfer involves a mammoth investment of money, it is understood, to be put into properties immediately, and Dr. Pearson will conduct a close scrutiny into enlarged business possibilities.
The present capitalization of the Lake Superior Corporation is \$40,000,000 in stock, \$10,000,000 in first mortgage bonds, and \$30,000,000 in second mortgage bonds. This was perhaps the best available arrangement at the time of organization it does not provide for securing new money. The new interests will, of necessity, reorganize the corporation on such basis as to provide securities for additional funds as may be required to extend and develop all the allied manufacturing concerns, build large modern blast furnaces, the probable number of extensions of the Algoma Central Railway to connect with the National transcontinental route and the reorganization of the government of Ontario within the next ten days of the remaining \$1,000,000 of provincial loan guarantee advanced during the crisis of 1914.

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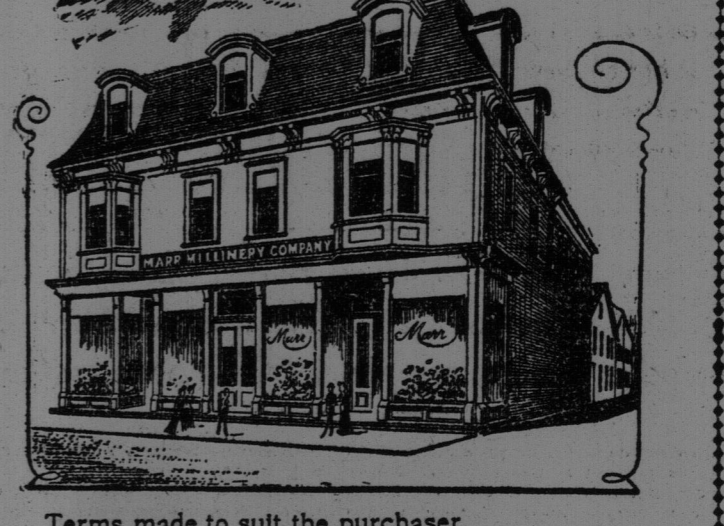
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WOMAN AND THE COOK STOVE

The average woman who does her own work, and some who have servants, are greater slaves to their cook stoves than they imagine. Inherent in every woman is the desire to have everything about her home as nice as she can possibly make it. All this is admirable, of course, but many, by going to the extreme in preparing many dishes for their home table. They try to make things elaborate that would be just as attractive, from a practical standpoint, without the "trimmings," so to speak. Consequently they are almost slaves to their cook stoves.
But for the everyday meal, a woman is foolish indeed, to bow to Tyrant Cook-stove. Her effort should be to save herself—and this is not a selfish motive—as much as she can. Give good quality and good quantity in what is prepared for dinner, but hold the elaborateness of the preparations down to the minimum.
For example, take the matter of garnishing dishes. A little garnish is, indeed, an appetizer for each dish, but it is worth while only in simple fashion. A bit of parsley is fine with broiled meats and omelets, but the rest of the trimmings, such as cubes of carrots and beads and olives with the stones removed, are superfluous—that they make a woman a slave to her cook stove. Let her save her husband about this point, and, in nine out of ten cases, he will tell her to "cut out" the trimmings.
Many a woman, through love of her husband, or perhaps with the old adage in mind, concerning the nestest way to a man's heart, will undertake to prepare some dish out of the ordinary several times a week for her husband and master when he returns from his day's labors. It is a higher court not intervene. An appeal has been taken to the supreme court, where the legal efforts of the defense will be as vigorous as during the trial proceedings. The other men, Bud Morris and Bob Huffman, men guilty of murder in the second degree, received a sentence named by the jury, twenty years in the penitentiary.
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OFFICERS ELECTED: PRESENTATION MADE

The annual meeting of the Royal Soldiers' class of the Ludlow street Baptist church was held yesterday afternoon at 7 o'clock in the basement of the church. The class had a very successful year. The following officers were elected for the year: President, R. L. Kerrigan; vice-president, C. R. Easton; recording secretary, G. L. Hazwood; assistant recording secretary, W. C. R. Allan; treasurer, F. A. Christensen; teacher, R. H. Parsons. The class decided to meet on the first Wednesday of every month. A very pleasant function took place after the meeting when E. Hunter Parsons was made the recipient of a handsome pair of cuff links. The presentation was made by Hon. Superintendent John Ring. The Sunday school on behalf of the class. Mr. Parsons replied in a brief speech.

SONS OF TEMPERANCE

The G. W. P. of the Sons of Temperance returned on Saturday after a visit to the order at Carletonville, Head of Millstream, Sider Mountain, Collins and Mount Middleton, Kings county. The members of the order in these sections are very energetic workers in the cause. Notwithstanding the weather and roads, the meetings were well attended, the visitors were warmly received and entertained.
The Kings county district division will meet in annual session at Lower Millstream on Thursday, the 21st, at 2 p. m., with a public meeting in the evening. An interesting session is looked for.

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