

TEA LEAVES

She sat listlessly in the drawing-room. Tea had been brought in, but she lay back in her chair indifferently, even lacking the energy to pour it out. She was physically tired, for she had been dancing all the previous night, but it was not this that made her seem so dreary to her—her which laid that dead weight of despair on her heart.

"I know a little about it," she answered. "My old nurse taught me long ago. She believed in it thoroughly, and it was an extraordinary thing how many of her prophecies came true."

A MAN FROM "NOWHAR"

He was shabby, far from tidy, and he had a shifty eye. His swallow face was characterless, and his one bulging cheek gave evidence of a huge piece of tobacco which he presently removed, and taking a plug from the hip-pocket of his shabby trousers he cut on a piece to replace the one taken from his mouth.

THANKS TO POLLY

There she sat—dear old Lady Shutt in her little adobe house, with a monkey-faced owl on one side of her and a parrot on the other—a ruckered, polly-old woman, quite out of breath now with the effort of sweeping and dusting her room.

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"I don't know when I have enjoyed a dance so much," with unnecessary emphasis. "You will have some tea, won't you?"