### Outlawed.

The day after the funeral of Jared Coose his five orphaned children were sitting around the kitchen stove, trying 'as Martha, the eldest, said, to 'look the situ ation in the face.'

Martha was sixteen years old; Ann, the next oldest, was fourteen; then there were three hittle boys, Jerry, Leander and Morace.

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Their mother had been dead three years, and their father had been an invalid for two years. He had at one time been a fairly prosperous man, but not within the memory of his children, and he had never eaid much about his 'better days.'

The people in the town where the Coombees lived wondered vaguely 'what in the world those children would do now,' and Martha had lain awake nights trying to solve the same problem. Her mind was made up to one thing—they would all stick together.'

The house of four rooms in which they lived was their own, and Martha had exactly, twenty-five dollars in the world.

The day after Mr. Coombe's funeral was raw and dull. One of the neighbors had made Martha promise to come to her house for dinner, and bring all of the other children with her.

Everybody has been so kind,' Martha was saying to her sister and brothers. She had in her lep some papers that she had taken from the tin box in which her father had kept them for years. Most of them were yellow with age, and some of them fell apart at the creases when they were unfolded. Some had seals, and were clearly legal papers; others seemed to be old notes and bills, and there were a good many business letters.

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As Mr. Coombs had told Martha that none of the papers were of any value, and had advised her to burn them, she now, removed the lid of the kitchen stove and began to drop them, one by one, on the coals. She had burned most of them, when she picked up a folded paper, on the back of which was written, in her father's hand:

"This man I trusted above all others, and my loss of confidence in him grieves me more than the loss of the money he should have patd me. But on what I know to be my death-bed, I forgive Justin Gye all the loss and sorrow he has caused me."

"Father could never hold a grudge against any one, said Martha to hersell, as she unfolded the paper. She spread the document out on her knee. It was a promissory note for five thousand dollars, signed by Justin D. Gye. It had no indorser, and Mr. Coombs had written in red ink acroes the face of it this single word: 'Outlawed.'

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'I wonder whe this Justin D. Gye was and I wonder what 'outlawed' means,' said Martha. 'I'm going to ask Mr. Alarstom about it when we go ever there to dinner, and I'm going to keep this note because, when I think of it, I don't believe that there's another line of poor father's handwriting in the house.'

Mr. Marston told Martha that the word 'outlawed,' written on the note meant that the money due could not be collected by law, and that a note was worthless after a certain number of years.

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'It your father has written 'outlawed' on the note, it is of no value,' concluded Mr.

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Marston.

But a promise to pay ought to be good
at any time,' said Martha.

'It ought to be but unfortunately, it isn't
good in the written law. The moral law is
another matter,' said Mr. Marston.

When Martha we not back home she took
the note from the drawer in which she had
placed it and read it again. A few minntes later she busied herself with some
kitchen duties. Her pantry shelves needed
clean papers on them. Martha removed
the things from the shelves, and took several papers from a bundle Mrs. Marston
had given her. She was cutting a strip
from a newspaper, when her eye fell on
this parsgraph.

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"There is something written on the other side, sir,', she said, quietly, when he had martha looked at the title of the paper, and read her father's words on the back that the state of the paper with the state of the state of the paper with the state of the pa

Agrina looked at the title of the paper, and read, The Louisborough Gazette.

'It's the town where father lived before he and mother were married. I am sure that this Justin D. Gye and the man who signed his name to that note are the same. And he is worth a million dollars l'She took her soissors and cut out the lines she had read. Then she got an old atlas and looked up the city of Louisborough.

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'It must be a long distance from here,' she said, with a sigh. 'If it were only nearer, I do believe I'd go and remind Mr. Gye of his 'promise to pay,' and ask him it he thought it had been 'outlawed' in the sight of God.'

All day she pondered over what she had read. Toward evening she had to go down to one of the village stores. She was passing the railroad station, when an idea suggested itself to her.

'I'll go in and ask the agent if he can tell me how far it is to Louisborough, and how much it would cost to go there.'

The information she received was discouraging. It would cost at least twenty-five dollars.

'And that is every dollar we have in the world,' said Martha. 'I'll have to give it sp.'

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But the more she thought about it, the less willing she felt to give it up. On the morning of the third day she said to her

\*Ann. do you think that you and the little boys could get along without me for me for two or three days and nights if I got Jane Lewis, the seamstress, to come in

and stay nights with you?

'I'd rather have her than any one else, but where are you going, Martha?'

'I'm going to a place called Louis-borough, on a matter of business,' said Martha, with a sense of importance.

Bhe would have liked to keep her going a secret, but this was impoesible in a little town like Oeborne. By the time she was ready to start, the entire village knew where she was going and with what purpose. The general opinion was that it was 'a foel's errand,' but Martha was not to be moved.

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It took her a day and a night to go to Louisborough., She had never been in such a large city, and the hurry and bustle confused her. Some one in Osborne had told her to ask a policeman how to find Mr. Gye's house, and when she saw a blue coated cfficer at one end of the station platform, she went up to him and said:

'Can you tell me where Mr. Justin D. Gye lives?'

'He lives three or four miles from here, miss, but his place of business isn't more than five minutes' walk.'

'I don't think that I want to go to his house. I want to see him on—on—on business.'

'Then you'd better go to his office. Go

house. I want to see him on—on—on business.'

'Then you'd better go to his office. Go right up this street until you come to K Street. Half a block down that you'll come to a big marble front bu'lding. You'l find Mr. Gye's effice in that building. You'l find Mr. Gye's effice in that building. Take the elevator, and the elevator boy will show you just where it is.'

Martha's timid, forlorn appearance appealed to this big guardian of the law, and moved him to be thus explicit. It was well for Martha that she did not hear him say, as she moved away:

'What can she want with old Gye? If she's on a begging errand, she'd better save her breath.'

Martha easily found the marble building and her heart began to flutter a little when she saw a shining brass plate at the side of the doors, with the name 'Justin D Gye' on it in black letters. Below the plate she read, Rooms 24 and 26.'

She did not take the elevator, but climbed the marble stairway, and at the head of the first flight she found rooms twenty four and twenty six, with Mr. Gye's name on both doors.

An almost irresistable impulse to flee from the place and take the first train for Osborne seized Martha. The very atmosphere of the place chilled and depressed her. Its marble splendor made her realize her shabby appearance. Her dusty, worn old shoes looked out ef place on the marble floor. The theapness of her black skirt, her worn jacket and faded straw hat impressed itself upon her. Her ungloved hand trembled as she laid it on the shining brass door-knob.

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In the room she entered, half a dozen clerks were at their desks, and there were other clerks in a room beyond. A boy in livery came forward and asked her whom be wanted to see.

'Mr. Gye,' replied Martha.
'He's busy,' was the reply.
'I could wait,' said Martha.
'Have yon a card to send in?'
'No,' replied Martha, with a blush.
'You'll have to send in your name first.'
'My name is Martha Coombs.'
The boy motioned toward three or four chairs near the door.
'You can sit down and wait, and I'll take in your name when Mr. Gye's present caller

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Martha waited an hour and a half, dur ing which time she regained her self pos-sesion. Other persons who came in and asked to see Mr. Gye were told to wait, and they, too, sat down in the row of chairs near the door.

At the end of an hour and a half th At the end of an nour and a han the boy came up to Martha and said:

Mr. Gye says you can come in.'
She passed into the private room. A portly, pompons looking man sat at a rose-wood desk. 'His manner was almost harsh.

as he said:
'You wanted to see me.'
'Yes, sir.'

"Yes, sir."

'I am extremely busy, and can give you but a few minutes. What do you want?"

'I came from Osborne, which is several hundred miles from here, to bring you

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of the note. His hand trembled and his eyes were downcast when the note again fell to his deak.

Marths fancied 'that he looked pale, and saw him bite his lip under his grey mustache. He put one hand over his eyes. His other arm fell heavily at his side. There was silence in the room for fully a minute; then, with his band still before his eyes, he asked in a husky voice:

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'Where did you get this?'
'I found it among some old papers of father's, sir.'
'Are you Jared Coombe's daughter?'
'Yes, sir.'
'And is he living yet?'
'No, sir.' He died five days ago, and I brought this note to you because he died so poor that I have not a dollar for the aupport of my sister and my three little brothers, and I want to keep them together if I can. I read jin a paper about how prosperous you were, sir, and although the note is 'outlawed,' I felt that you might feel willing to pay something on it.'
He took his hand from his eyes and offered it to her.

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'You did right to bring it to me,' he said. 'Sit down on this chair and tell me about yourself and your father. He was a good man.'

'He was indeed,' said Martha, with tears in her even.

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'They told me in Osberne,' she said in conclusion, 'that it would be useless for me to come here with an outlawed note, but I did not think so.'
'You were wiser than they,' he said, gravely, but with a smile, 'for I shall pay every dollar of the note with interest in full, and even this will not atone for my lack of duty in not finding your father and paying the note years ago. I shall see to it that his children lack nothing that they need hereafter.'

need hereafter."

These was great excitement in Osborne when Martha returned with the news that she and her brothers and sister were to go to Louisborough to live in a home of their

own.

'There are splendid schools there, and Mr Gye will be a friend to us. I can't tell you how kind he was and I can never be thankful enough that I went to him with that outlawed note!'

GREAT PAMINES OF INDIA.

Twenty-Seven Millions of People Swept Some statistics from Indian Govern reports give an idea of the tremendous loss of life that has taken place from starvation since the date when Great Britain establish ed her rule in India; and of the enormou sums of money expended in relief works without, as yet, providing any safeguard

against the recurring calamity.

In the year 1770 Bengal was visited by famine. The crop of 1769 being a total failure, it is computed that within nine months out of a population of 30,000,000, one-third, or 10,000,000, perished from starvation and disease. In order to obtain food, parents sold their children into slavery until no buyers could be found. For a time thousands subsisted upon leaves of trees and grass until even that source of nourishment failing, the living actually fed upon the bodies of the dead. As if fate were determined to revel in irony, it recorded that while the rainy season of 1770 brought an abundant harvest, in the neantime millions of starving wretches crawled despairingly from one deserted village to another in a vain search for food, dying in multitudes through inability to live through the few weeks that separa-

The effects of this famine were felt for two generations. The children and young people having almost all succumbed, there was no rising generation to till the fields So jungles grew up where there had once been flourishing farms and villages, and tigers and elephants multiplied to such an extent that the population lay at the mercy

In 1837 the Northwest Provinces were ravaged by a famine of which it is recorded that in two cities the inhabitants died at the right of 1,200 a day, and in the rura districts human beings perished by vil-

By the three great famines of 1860, 1866 and 1869 in the Northwest Provinces Orissa and R. jputans, three millions of people are said to have been swept away in that of 1866 the familiahed wretches

again resorted to cannibalism. Bengal was again visited by a famine in 1873, when 3,900,000 people received daily relief at a cost to the Government of \$32,500 000, and to private charity of \$1,140,000. On this occasion the previous opening up of the country by roads and railways, as well as the relief efforts, were successful in holding the grim scourge at

bay, so that few actually perished.

From 1876 to 1878 the provinces o Bombay, Madras and Mysore were swept by tamine and pestilence that almost equalled the disaster of a century before. At a cost to the Government of \$35,000,000, 1.500,000 people were temporarily relieved; but that this sufficed little is demon strated by the fact that in one district of 2,129,000 people, 570,000 are supposed to

have perished. the deaths were returned at 357,000 for Madras, 58,000 for Mysore and 57,000 for Bombay. In all, during this period, the Famine Commissioners reported that in the provinces under British administration out of a population of 190,000,000, 5,250,000 deaths took place in excess of what might have been looked for during

the same period in ordinary seasons. In the year 1897 famine once more raise its head in the northwest provinces, threat-ening a population of 80,000,000. By October 1897, the total cost of relief had reached \$50,000,000; but yet many hundreds of thousands perished. The disaster was quickly followed by the plague, which had a death roll in the province of Bombay of 100,000; to be in turn succeed-

ed by the present famine. It is computed that from the year 1770 until 1879, India has been visited in different parts by no less than thirty-one femines, with a loss to human life directly and indirectly of 27,000,000. A glance at the map of India will show the enormons extent of territory subject to these visitations. With the exception of the strip of coast beneath the mountains from Bombay to Cape Cermorin, the greater part of the provinces of Assam and Mow York, June 9 Mrs. H. Q. Roll Mow York, June 9 Mrs. H. Q. Roll

Burmah, together with the deltaic districts at the head of the Bay [of Bengal, the rest of the peninsula is liable to drought and consequent famine; with 40,000,000 people at all times on the verge of starvation.

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In spite of the vast sums expended upon irrigation works, and the general development of the country under British auspices, the hopelesmess of the situation was expressed by an eminent Anglo Indian authority, who said that no compensating influences can prevent these recurring authority, who said that no compensating influences can prevent these recurring periods of continueus drought with which large provinces of India are afflicted. Waterworks on a scale adequate to guaran tee the whole of India from drought net only exceed the possibilities of finance, but are beyond the reach of engineering skill.

A Long Time to Kill, but not Long Dead. It takes about a year for a Texas Legislature to kill an insurance company or an eil octopus, and it takes the killed com-pany about an hour to, reorganize under another name and keep right on doing

is inside of me, tickling my throat with a feather,' said a good deacon with a sad cough. "Well, this is the holy water that will cast the devil out," said his wite, as she produced a bottle of Adamsen's Botanic Cough Balsam. 25c. all Druggists.

#### BORN.

Yarmouth, May 28, to the wife of R. Durkee, a son Parrabore, May 29, to the wife of Robert Kelly, a son. Yarmouth, May 27, to the wife of W. Jenkins, a son. Bon.

Hantsport, May 16, to the wife of Capt. Davison, a son.

Hantsport, May 24, to the wife of Fred Burns, a son.

Yarmouth, May 31, to the wife of John Haley, jr. a Weymouth, May 20, to the wife of Daniel Toney, a son.

Truro, May 31, to the wife of Murdock McDonald,

ter, Go., Ma. 18. to the wife of A. Semple, Digby, May 20, to the wife of H. ValTassel, a daughter. Minneapolis, June 1, to the wife of B. Ely, a

daughter.

Boston, May 30, to the wife of Geo. MacLeod, a daughter.

Avondale, May 31, to the wife of Jas. Connors, a daughter. Kentville, May 31, to the wife of E. Williams, a daughter.

nnapolis, June l, to the wife of Rupert Bent, a daughter. Colchester, June 6, to the wife of C. Phillips, a Muquobott Harbor, May 3, to the wife of E. Guild, a daughter.

wentworth, May 14, to the wife of Joseph Hunter, a daughter. Melvern Equare, June 2, to the wife of E. McNell.
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Springhill, May, 28, to the wife of Peter McDonald a daughter.

Middleton, May 24, to the wife of Arch. Stevenson, twin daughters.
Canterbury Station, June 5, to the wife of Rev. J. Flowelling, a son.
Penral Cathon. Man. Denural Cariboo, May 29, to the wife of Duncan Henderson a son.

## MARRIED.

Voodstock, June 6, by Rev. Thos. Todd, Clayton Sheet Harbor, May 30, by Rev. A. Smith, Herbert Ripley to Nettje Rood. Halifax, June 6, by Rev. N. LeMoine, Alfred G. Heffer to Edith Sampson. Roston, by Rev. Francis Cassoy, Michael F. Cos-tello to Laura W. Arown. Beaver Beook, June 6, by Rev. L. W. Parker, Geo. Cox to Lizsie M. Crowe. Gabarus, May 17, by Rev. J. W. Turner, Henry W Cann to Frances R. Mann.

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Newport, May 24, by Rev. E. C. Armstrong, James
R. Wallace to Lalla Davis.

Windsor, May 30, by Rev. Wm. Phillips Charles
Robinson to Mina Cochran. Maryville, May 23, by Rev. J. F. Parsons, W. E. Jennett to Edna McDonald.

Windsor, May 29, by Rev. Wm. Phillips, Andrew Johnson to Bianche Banks. Woodstock, June 6 by Rev. Those. Todd, William Jackson to Gorgie H. Camp.
Clark's Harbor, May 23, by Rev. A. M. McNintch Job Penny to Annie Penney.

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Halifax, June 5 by Rev. R. Smith, Captain Gabriel
Seaboyer to Mrs. Sarah Myers. Maitland, by Rev. J. S. McArthur, Frederick I.

Amherst, June 6, by Rev. W. E. Bater, David Rowley to Bloreace Atkinson. Pictou, June 2, by Rev. W. Stewart, John W. Mac donald to Mary B. MacDonald. New Glasgow, June 6; by Rev. Anderson Rodgers, John MacKay to Bessle MacKay. North Sydney, June 6, by Rev. T. C. Jack, William J. Campbell to Jessie F. Brotchie. Chigneeto Mines, June 5, by Rev. B. McArthur, James Baird to Mrs. Elien Rector.

Central Waterford, Max 30, by Rev. A. Stairs, Bamnel Weeks to Mand McIntosh. Delap's Cove, May 80, by Rev. W. N. States, John W. Brothers to Georgie E. Lawrence.

Mill Village June 7, by Rev. James Lumsden James B. Young to Mrs. Belina Wolf. Selmah, Hants, June 6, by Rev. R. B. Mack, McCully S. Waugh to Mabel L. Sullivan.
Yarrouth, June 8, by Rev. E. E. Braithwaite
William C. Hunter to Grace E. Horton. Bristol, N. B., June 5, by Rev. A. M. Hayward Herry M. Tompkins to Mande M. Davies.

reel field, Carleton Co., June 6, by Rev. A. H Hayward, Frank S. White to Louise S. Kinney Clarke's Harbor, June 6, by Rev. A. M. McNinto Coleman Nickerson to Mrn. Zilpha A. Crowe Rat Portage, Man. June 4, by Rev. W. P. Roche ter, Archibald H. McIntyre to Susan F. Came on.

### DIED.

Halifax, May 31, Mrs. Lucy Rai th, June 4, Mary Hayes, 15, Halifax, May 5, George Higgins, 75. St. John, June 9, Arthur Chapman, 8 St. John June 9, Mrs. Elijah Ross, 58. Southampton, May 29, Henry Harris. 6. Santord, May 37, Mrs. Geo. Beveridge, 66. Gasperean May 28, Nathan Benjomia, 51. Kempt Shore, May 28, Janes Lymas, 50. Yarmouth, May 29, Mrs. Abraham Hector, 78. S. John, June 9, Mrs. Abraham Hector, 78. Barney's River, May 28, William Bannerman Fint, Mich., May 28, William Bannerman Fint, Mich., May 38, William Bannerman Fint, Mich., May 31, Nelson Vanbaskirk, 10 Hillsbore, C. B., May 17, Zebmund Meagher, Middle Simonde, May 31, Walter Raymond, Grand Pre, N. S., May 21, Mrs. Robt. Stewar Nictaux West, May 30, Mrs. Judson Bartean Miller's Creek, Hants, May 23, Martha Mill. Charlestown, Mass. June 5, Mrs. Jas. Welc Nine Mile River, May 17, Thomas McKay J. Salphur Springe, Mo., May 24, Jeannette Gilening, 16.

mpnur Springs, Mo., May 24, Jeannette Glenden ning, 16. pringhill, June 4. infant of Mr. and Mrs. Chan McLean.

ringhill, June 4, Harold infant of Mr. and Mrs. E. Gilrow, 6 wks.

Vindsor, May 25, John Partis infant of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Dill, 1. Wentworth, May 29, Pearl infant of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Hunter, 2 wks. 8t John, June, 19, Mary Grace only daughter of Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Meensy, 13.

Beach Meadow, Queens; May 27, Lenella infant of Mr. and Mrs. Parker Pents, 7 mos.

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