THE MYSTERY OF

AGATHA WEBB.

By Anna Katharine Green, luthor of "The Leavenworth Case "Lost Man's Lane," "Hand and Ring," Etc., Etc.

the alarm even, which it occasione

even to those who had never had much

confidence in this young man's virtue,

was almost appalling in its intensity.

Had it not been for the consciousness of Mr. Sutherland's near presence the

feeling would have risen to outbreak,

and many voices were held in subjec-

tion by the remembrance of this ven-

erated man's last look, that otherwise

would have made themselves heard in

despite of the restrictions of the place

To Frederick it was a moment of im-

subdued murmurs and open cries he

read instant and complete condemna-

tion, and yet in all his life from boy-

hood up to this hour, never had he

been so worthy of their esteem and

consideration. But, though he felt the

iron enter his soul, he did not lose his

determined attitude. He had observed

a change in Amabel and a change in

Agnes, and if only to disappoint the vile triumph of the one and raise again

the drooping courage of the other he

withstead the clamor and began speaking again before the coroner had been

"I know," said he, "what this ac

knowledgment must convey to the

minds of the jury and people here as-

sembled, but if any one who listens to

will be doing me a wrong which Aga-

tha Webb would be the first to condemn. Dr. Talbot and you, gentlemen

of the jury, in the face of God and

man, I here declare that Mrs. Webb in my presence and before my eyes gave

herself the blow which has robbed us all of a most valuable life. She was

It was a solemn assertion, but it fail

ed to convince the crowd before him.

As by one impulse men and women

proke into tumult. Mr. Sutherland was

forgotten, and cries of "Never! She

was too good! It's all calumny! A

wretched lie!" broke in unrestrained

excitement from every part of the large

room. In vain the coroner smote with his gavel; in vain the local police en-

deavored to restore order; the tide was

up and overswept everything for an in-

stant till silence was suddenly restored

by the sight of Amabel smoothing our

the folds of her crisp white frock with

an incredulous, almost insulting, smile

that at once fixed attention again on

Frederick. He seized the occasion and

before God and before this jury. To

have to tell my story from the begin-

ning. Am I allowed to do so. Mr. Coro-

"You are," was the firm response.

erick, still without looking at Amabel,

that drew the eyes of the jury toward

her more than once during the follow-

ing recital, "you know, and the public

generally now know, that Mrs. Webb

have never before acknowledged to any

one, not even to the good man who

awaits this jury's verdict on the other

side of that door, that she had reasons

for this, good reasons, reasons which

up to the very evening of her death I

was myself ignorant of, as I was ig-

norant of her intentions in my regard

or that I was the special object of her

attention, or that we were under any

mutual obligations in any way. Why,

made any attempt seem reasonable that

burden of a pressing and disreputable

"I was obliged to have money-a

it at once, and, while I know this will

not serve to lighten the suspicion l

have brought upon myself by my late

my father's house and hurrying down

secretly and alone into town to the lit-

ment was being given which would in-

sure its being open even at so late an hour as midnight, Miss Page, who

tion of her name into this narrative

has taken pains to declare to you that

town that evening she followed some person's steps down hill. This is very likely true, and those steps were prob-ably mine, for after leaving the house

by the garden door I came directly down the main road to the corner of

the lane running past Mrs. Webb's cot-

tage. Having already seen from the hillside the light burning in her upper windows, I felt encouraged to proceed

spoke up in a tone of great resolve. "I have made an assertion," said he,

able to fully restore quiet.

not murdered."

and the authority of the police.

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SILHOUETTE BUTTERFLIES

the Trick

This is to show you how you can nake silhouette pictures of butterflies even if you have no artistic ability. Secure several sheets of writing paper and some good black ink. Drop a large blot of ink on the center of a me thinks me guilty of the death I was sheet of paper, fold the paper over so unfortunate as to have witnessed, he o the blot comes about the center



of the crease and rub gently, using has left me the greater portion of the just enough pressure to spread the ink money of which she died possessed. I between the folds. Now unfold the paper and see what you get. If you want to make real fancy butterflies you might try using colored inks Those shown in the cut were made as

Keeps Thread Straight A very simple metal clip can be



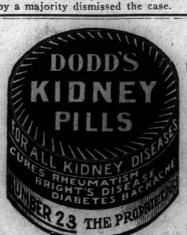
keep the thread then, I should have thought of going to her in the great strait in which I tangled while in found myself on that day I can hardly the work basket say. I knew she had money in her house. This I had unhappily been made or lying on the table. The clip acquainted with in an actually disposiacquainted with in an accidental way, has a hole in the tion and quite capable of doing a very center for the unselfish act. Still this would not seem thread to pass to be reason enough for me to intrude through. It is upon her late at night with a plea for a

the spool by ends that large loan of money had I not been in a desperate condition of mind, which holes on their side. A ortion of one edge of the clip, which made of sheet iron or tin, can be

Assault Charge Dismissed

Before a full Bench of the Machylleth (Montgomeryshire) magistrates stablau, Llanwrin, was charged with I can give you for leaving the ball at

on Tuesday Horace Evans, of Gwernssaulting Elsie Whittington, twenty a blacksmith's daughter, on the banks of the River Dovey. The magistrates the cottage where, as I had been told by a majority dismissed the case.



he latch of the front door and stepped

"I had expected to find a jovial group of friends in her little ground parlor of at least hear the sound of merry voices and laughter in the rooms above, but no sounds of any sort awaited me. Indeed the house seemed strangely silent for one so fully lighted, and, astonished at this, I pushed the door ajar at my left and looked in. An unexpected and nitiful sight awaited me. Seated at a table set with abundance of unhis arms, asleep. The expected guests had failed to arrive, and he, tired out any one there had expected. It was with waiting, had fallen into a doze at only an acknowledgment, but a confession, and the shock, the surprise,

"This was a condition of things for which I was not prepared. Mrs. Webb, whom I wished to see, was probably up stairs, and while I might summon her by a sturdy rap on the door, beside which I stood, I had so little desire to wake her husband, of whose mental ondition I was well aware, that I ould not bring myself to make any loud noise within his hearing. Yet I had not the courage to retreat. All my ties that menaced me lay in the generosity of this great hearted woman, measurable grief and humiliation. On and if out of pusillanimity I let this every face, in every shrinking form, in hour go by without making my appeal, nothing but shame and disaster awaited me. Yet how could I hope to lure her down stairs without noise? I could not, and so yielding to the impulse of the moment, without any realization, I



large roll of money.

(To be continued)

make it seem a credible one I shall

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ere swear, of the effect which my unexpected presence would have on the noble woman overhead, I slipped up at that moment the sound of her voice calling out to Batsy, I stepped up to the door I saw standing open before me and confronted her before she could move from the table before which she was sitting, counting over

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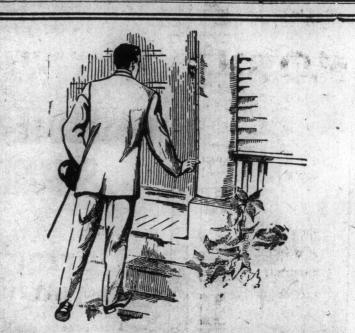
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GERMANY

NEW YORK, July 1 Germany has purch tions every available mil Her emissaries wh times the quantity they returned without delay

Toronto Globe Represe Visits Brant--- This Look Good.

the Toronto Globe, detail into erop conditions in thi Ontario "Careful investigation into prospects in three of the lar nost representative cour

period of several days. evidence upon which to sertion that so far as th province is concerned th look is considerably above of other years, and may marked improvement with ance of the present fav The farmers of Middlesex and Brant are already busy what is perhaps their be crop in years The shortage a handicap, but it has not aggravation it is in Elgin or western peninsular counti Down in Brant County

tions were found to be good on the majority of fa lune drought appears to have cations of big returns, and v growth. On Bow Park Farm and acre holding near Bran never better at this stage son, for heavy yields in al 100 acre plot of tomatoes ing to ripen, and corn in is over four feet and a hal crop of oats of a special s nearly three feet high, and

fifty bushels to the acre. All canning crops in the district are reported to be vanced and peas and beans

Your representative for thing in the pink of cond farm of Mr. J. W. Clark ville. Apple trees were pear trees carrying an yield and plum trees pr their strain. Mr. Clark ago moved off a 200-acr same neighborhood and d low intensive methods So improved is it now that Last year he declares he b as the net returns from his the small acreage.

Notorious Firebug BRANDON, Man. July this morning destroyed the elevator. Up to three o' fire was still burning fiere firemen were turning the save surrounding propert cause of the fire is unknown is believed a notorious fir

Arrested in Churc MOOSEJAW, July 16 Brandon, Yorkton and was arrested in church charged with receiving go

from the city. He is want nection with extensive the civic stores which have sensation here,