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Two Blooming The Adventures of Two Criminals. Bay Trees.

DOUGLAS WINTON.

"I have seen the wind... a spreading... like a green bay-tree." - Fal, XVII, v. 35.

(Continued.) "Now, Inspector," said the former—"here, take one of these"—there came the sound of a matter being struck, then another—"you have come to see me, you say, about the Tony Croft affair. What's the news? Have you got the villain? I'm willing to help you in any way you like—offer a reward, or anything. What that night has cost me in—of that is," he stopped. "It means in getting hopped," checked Piggy. "You have a clue, sir?" "Oh, a clue, sir, not a newspaper clue. In fact, only last night I was twice within an ace of getting them. Here's the proof, sir. One of them nearly got me; he gave me a whack over the head that I'm wearing this bandage for."

"It's a plant on the face of it. You can't expect to draw a clever bunco man with a thing like that." "I expect he'll nibble, sir," said the detective, complacently. "You see, it's in your name. We don't show at all." "You do!" said Van Courtvelt. "Well, I do seem to be taken for an easy thing these days, and that's a fact. Way back in eighties, in New York, if any one had quoted Chester D. Van Courtvelt as an easy thing, he'd—" the old man stopped and sighed. "It's not exactly that, sir," the detective began, but without a few diplomatic hints and haws. Piggy, who understood exactly what was passing through Inspector Mackay's mind, could hardly keep from laughing, and betraying himself.

"Now about the offer to buy back the jewels, for of course that is what we mean them to read between the lines of the advertisement," went on the detective. "It should be more tempting to them than you think. You see, these are not regular thieves." "Wait all I can say is, that if that weren't a regular robbery, may I never get a sight of the golden gates!" broke in Van Courtvelt. "Yes, sir," laughed the detective. "It was a regular robbery right enough, and perhaps by now they may be getting to be regular thieves but they are not of the regular criminal class; they have probably few if any, criminal acquaintances. This has helped them to a certain extent; but, in other ways, it is sure to be against them. At the present moment, for instance, I shouldn't wonder if they are just beginning to discover that a hundred pounds worth of jewellery, sold to a fence—" "A fence, sir—a receiver, I say that they must be finding out by now that a hundred pounds worth of jewellery sold to a man like that fetches some five or ten pounds at most—and they have to put their liberty into his hands into the bargain. So you see, sir, that an offer almost any offer, from you, with no questions asked, would be very tempting."

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SMUGGLERS' PARADISE.

(Toronto News.) The town of Emerson, on the boundary between Manitoba and the United States, is to have a railway station of a novel kind. The Canadian Pacific, the Great Northern, the Canadian National and the Minneapolis and Sault Railway will construct a union station, half of which will be on each side of the boundary. There are stories of shops and dwellings in the same position, which give great facilities for smuggling, but the international railway station will be a more conspicuous example. We may expect that the West will produce some curious situations of this kind. It is customary to say that there is only an imaginary line between Canada and the United States, but between Ontario and the States there is a chain of lakes, so that communication must be by bridge, tunnel or ferry. Between the United States and portions of Quebec and New Brunswick the same conditions

GOT THE CHILD BACK AGAIN.

Their Change of Religion Was No Barrier in the Case. (Ottawa Journal.) Henry Narcisse Fortier, Le Breton street, is again in possession of his thirteen-year-old daughter, awarded him by order of Judge MacTavish. He secured her from her foster parents last week, and the exchange marked the close of one of the most stubbornly contested cases tried in the local courts. In the first place, the child was taken from Fortier and his wife and handed over to the Children's Aid Society several years ago, the explanation being that the parties were not fit persons to have custody of the child. They were Catholics at the time and hence the child was placed with foster parents, also of that religion. Fortier braced up and he and his wife joined the Baptist church. They were desirous of securing possession of their daughter again, but the foster parents thereupon took legal action to regain their child and the case was argued before Judge MacTavish. For the defence it was claimed that, according to law the parents had forfeited their rights to their child by changing their religion. Judge MacTavish, however, ruled that the father was the natural guardian of the child and to him was entrusted its education and religious training until it had attained the age of twenty-one. The defendants appealed and in their application for right to carry the case to a higher court, the whole argument was gone over again before Judge MacTavish, who adhered to his former ruling. Fortier's lawyer, accompanied by a constable, visited the home of the foster parents last week and secured the child.

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