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"It was me they were after, sure enough; they had tracked me all the way from Texas to that place, but, somehow, couldn't get me. I didn't know anybody had heard of a man named Jack Henly, and no one answered to their description. It was no wonder, for I was greatly changed. I looked like an old man, for my grief had whitened my hair, wrinkled my face, and bent my form. I walked straight by them on gold out of the office, but they never suspected me. I'd got another score, though, that I couldn't get over, and made up my mind that I'd quit the country. So I sold off my stock, drew what money I'd laid by in the bank—my farm I couldn't sell at such short notice—shut up my house, and, takin' the boy, went to New York, intendin' to take passage in a vessel goin' to Australia, where I meant to go to sheep raisin' again, since I had done so well in Texas, while I thought I neiv't fear any man in that country. I took passage, and bought a comfortable outfit for both of us, but the vessel wasn't to sail for a week, so I kept very quiet in a room I'd hired on a by-street, fearin' those men might still be lookin' me up.

"But I let the boy play out, for he pined in the house, while I sat by a window to watch that he did not get out of sight. One day I must have fallen asleep, for I woke with a start, for lookin' out, couldn't see him nor hear of the boy. I went to the door, but he wasn't nowhere in sight. I started out to find him, never thinkin' of danger then. I walked for hours, askin' people about him, but nobody could tell me anything of him. 'Three days I kept this up, until I nigh about went crazy, and wore myself out with loss of sleep, travelin' about, and with my grief for the little fellow.

"On the last day before we were to sail, while I was rovin' about the streets in search of him I ran against these two men again—the ones who were lookin' for me. I knew by a quick, keen glance at me that they had got a suspicion I might be their man, and I got out of their way in a hurry. I was discouraged about findin' the boy. I didn't care to look for him any more. I was afraid to go to the police after him, lest they had been notified to be on the lookout, and should snap me up; so, half-crazed with fear and grief, I staggered on board the vessel I was to sail in, crawled into my berth, and lay there till we were well out to sea.

"Wall, sir, my heart was broke. I thought I never could hold up my head again, and I wouldn't have turned over my hand to have saved myself from goin' to the bottom; for I got to thinkin' that poor little chap with my whole soul, and I didn't know how to get on without him.

"But we had a good passage. I was hale and hearty when we landed, and seemed likely to live my lonely life for many a year. I worked on the interior, bought a sheep ranch, and set myself to do the work of three men, not mindin' to ease the pain and worry that was eatin' my heart out.

"Well, sir, to make a long story short, I've been on that sheep ranch ever since, until about six months ago, when a longin' seized me to come home and take a last look at my own land. I've grown to be a well-to-do farmer; I've plenty of money, and no one to spend it on or leave it to, unless I give it to you, Master Geoffrey, now that I've found you. Heaven be praised for that, and that you've got your mind back! I've been to New Jersey, found my place there neglected, and all out of repair, but with a thrifty little farm if it was well taken care of. I've been to Texas for a look at my old ranch there. The man that bought it got rich, sold out and then went north to live on his money. Then I shone here to see the place where I first found Margery, and it was well nigh this very spot—just there by that clump of spruce, where I was hid when you came—that we pledged our troth. Ah! my girl! my girl!

The poor man broke completely down here, and sobbed like a child, and Geoffrey's eyes were full of tears, too, as he witnessed his emotion and realized what he must have suffered during the checkered life that he had led.

He had been deeply touched by the faithfulness and devotion which he had exhibited in his care of him during

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all those years while he was such a helpless burden, mentally, on his hands.

He saw that the man was naturally honorable and kind-hearted, and that he would never have been guilty of the crime which he had just confessed but for the misfortunes that led him into evil company, and to the use of intoxicating drinks.

"I'm a broken-down old man, sir," Jack said, after struggling hard for self-control, "for I never should blubber like this, but this place brings back those old days when my conscience was free—when life was bright and full of hope before me, and my girl, and it seems more'n I can bear. It's wonderful, though, that I should run across ye here! Oh, sir, I did ye a awful wrong, in my anger and jealous fit, when ye were a child. I've no right to expect it, but 'twould comfort my poor old heart more'n I could tell ye, if I could hear ye say ye don't lay it up agin me."

Geoffrey turned frankly towards the humble suppliant beside him.

"I do not, heartily," he said heartily, "you were the victim of drink, and were hardly accountable for the deeds of that night; you condemn yourself more than you really deserve, for if you have told me everything just as it occurred, your wife did not die by your hand—her death was caused by an accident."

The man shook his head sadly.

"No, no," he said, "I can't get it off my conscience that I was a murderer; for if I hadn't laid hands on her, she might have been living today."

"Still I was not willful or premeditated," Geoffrey persisted. "However," he added, "I freely forgive you your share in my misfortune, if that will be any comfort to you."

"Well, sir, I'll like you to describe the man who was my father," Geoffrey said, gravely.

Jack turned to look upon the young man beside him.

"The best description ye could get of him'd be to go and see the statue in the gallery studyin' Geoffrey's face and form, 'for ye're as nigh like him as another man could be when I first saw him after he brought that pretty little woman to live here. He'd been off to meet her somewhere, and he'd shaved off all his heavy beard, had his hair trimmed up in the fashion, and wore a dandy suit of clothes."

"His true name was Dale, you say? Are you sure that was his true name?" the young man asked.

"I couldn't take my oath as to that, sir, but everybody here knew him as Cap'n William Dale, though I don't know how he came to be a captain. She used to call him 'Will' in a way that made his eyes shine enough to do ye good."

Geoffrey's eyes lighted at this.

It was evident that Cap'n Dale had truly loved the girl whom he had brought there, whether she had been his legal wife or not.

"Do you know what her name was before he married her?" he asked.

"No, sir; that is one of the things I can't tell ye, even Margery never found out that. They was both very shy of talkin' about themselves before folks, and I never knew where they came from either."

"Did they never have visitors—was there no friend who ever came to see them?"

"No, sir; and they didn't seem to want anybody; she was just his world, an he her'n. My girl used to think it was kind of strange, though, that they never got any letters; but they never did, and never writ any, either."

"Did she seem happy?" Geoffrey asked, in a hushed tone, as if this was ground he hardly liked to trespass upon.

"As chipper as a bird," Jack returned, "and she could sing like one, too. Many's the night the boys have staid in to ponder house to listen while she sang and played to the captain; he had a piano sent up from Santa Fe, and she was always bright and smiling; she was like a streak of sunshine in a dark place, for there wasn't anybody like her anywhere about."

Geoffrey felt his heart yearn wistfully for this sweet and gentle woman, who had been his mother, and who had brightened that wild and dreary place with her presence for one short year.

Still the mystery regarding his father and her relations to him seemed as dark as ever.

If he could not learn whence they came, it would be impossible to trace his history any farther, and his depression and discouragement began to settle upon him.

To be Continued.

A FARMER IN TROUBLE.

A Grand County Man Speaks His Mind—Feels Like a New Man—Cured by Four Boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Cardinal, Dec. 7.—Mr. Robert McIntosh, a farmer very widely known in this county, and living near this village has been in a painful and dangerous condition as the result of kidney disease affecting the bladder. When called upon he said:

"During three years, until quite recently cured by using four boxes of Dodd's Kidney Pills, I have been an intense sufferer from kidney disease, which kept going from bad to worse, though I was doctoring all the time. Under advice I began using Dodd's Kidney Pills, at once realizing great help. I now feel like a new man and am perfectly cured of kidney trouble in any form."

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Sir John Lubbock told some London school children recently that one of his nieces described air as consisting of Oxygen and Carbonic acid.

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Western Ontario.

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Mrs. A. W. Francis, Woodstock, mother of V. L. Francis, suffered a stroke of paralysis Tuesday afternoon, and her chances of recovery are doubtful.

Mrs. Francis is over 60 years old. In All Saints' Church, Windsor, Tuesday night, thieves entered the vestry, where the ladies had left their wraps, and took \$10 in small sums from the pockets.

The son of B. Daniel, con. A. Blenheim, Tuesday fell off a load of turnips and was run over. Dr. Taylor, of Princeton, was summoned, and he was soon on the spot to relieve the little sufferer.

John McDonald, a carpenter employed on Father Connolly's new residence, Ingersoll, Tuesday, was at work on the staircase and losing his balance, fell over the baluster, breaking two of his ribs.

Mr. D. K. McKenzie, of St. Thomas, has received a telegram from Rev. Dr. Sutherland, of Pinal, stating that the Rev. Mr. Fraser, had declined the call recently tendered to him by the congregation of Knox Church to become their pastor.

The Dominion Government veterinary inspectors are of the opinion that so-called hog cholera, which has done much damage in Essex county, is in reality swine plague, a distinct disease, but equally deadly. Both are infectious and contagious.

At a meeting of the twentieth district of the Conservative Association held in Chatham Wednesday afternoon, the election of officers resulted as follows: President, Mr. J. W. Sharpe, Dresden; vice-president, Mr. W. Fraser, Windsor; secretary, Mr. D. K. McKenzie, of St. Thomas; treasurer, Ald. Geo. W. Sulman, Chatham.

William Moulton, an employee of the Evans Brothers, of Ingersoll, is somewhat near-sighted, and the other day, not noticing that the electric fan standing down at the floor below, walked right off, falling some distance, causing him to strike his ankle and dislocate his shoulder.

True bills on a charge of conspiracy to commit an indictable offense were returned at Windsor Wednesday against Willis Jordan, alias Howard, the old colored man, who married a girl of 18; George Edmunds, secretary of the Electric Light and Power Co., wife, the girl's uncle and aunt, and Mrs. Laura Wilson, Mrs. Edmunds' fore-lady.

The funeral of George Adam, one of the pioneers of West Zorra, took place Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock at the residence of his son, Mr. Adam, who has resided in Brookdale many years ago in Embro, and had resided in Woodstock for five years. He leaves a widow, Mrs. Sutherland, his daughter, who resides in Toronto.

Dr. Kime, V.S., submitted a statement to the Board of Health at Chatham on Tuesday, declaring as a Government Inspector that he had seen Mr. Eachern both pronounced the recent outbreak among hogs in Kent county not to have been hog cholera, but a disease of the lungs, from which many infected animals recovered.

The Children's Aid Society, Toronto, is anxious to obtain possession of the 2-year-old child of Elijah Kidd, who is now in Goderich jail on a charge of fraud. The mother of the child lives in St. Michael's Hospital some two weeks ago. David Kidd, an uncle, is willing to take charge of the infant. Magistrate Denison will give his decision in a week.

At a meeting of the family, living on Lincoln avenue, Walkerville, had a close call from asphyxiation from coal gas. Jack, a boy, got up at 6 a.m., and smelling gas, opened the front door, which he had no sooner done than he fell outside like a log and lay there insensible. Mrs. Mapes, who was not so far overcome, got up and called the doctor, who brought Mr. Mapes around after some time without success.

Miss Ada L. Pirie, youngest daughter of the late Mr. George Pirie, of Guelph, was married on Wednesday afternoon to Mr. Walpole Murdoch, proprietor of the Pilot Mound, N. W. T. Sentinel. The bride was given away by her brother, Mr. James H. Pirie, performing the duties of groomsmen.

Mr. Wm. McKelvey, sen., of Sarnia, mail carrier, met with a painful accident Wednesday afternoon. While at Collingville, Mr. McKelvey's horse took fright at an umbrella blowing out of the buggy, and ran away. Mr. McKelvey was run over by the buggy and kicked by the horse. Still no serious results are anticipated, although the old gentleman was, besides his other injuries, pretty well shaken up.

William Hunt, of Ingersoll, was stricken down with paralysis Tuesday morning at his residence there, and died within 24 hours. Deceased came from Beachville about fourteen years ago. He was widely and favorably known for his strong personality. Prior to his coming to Canada from England he was a preacher of the Gospel for 40 years. His second wife survived him. He leaves three sons, one of whom is George, of Woodstock, the former auctioneer partner of Mr. Irving. Deceased was 84 years of age.

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Two Brant Homeides.

Bill and Carpenter Convicted of Manslaughter.

The Latter, Who Killed His Wife, Was Only Six Weeks Married.

Brantford, Ont., Dec. 11.—The Carpenter wife murder trial occupied the attention of the Assize Court yesterday. The jury, after four hours deliberation, found a verdict of guilty of manslaughter.

The prisoner, James Carpenter, was married to his deceased wife, Lily, only six weeks. For a time, so far as could be ascertained, the couple lived happily together. Mrs. Carpenter was afflicted with a form of disease, which, it is stated, caused trouble between the man and his wife, and once or twice threatened to separate them. They were peace and quiet, to live together up to the time of deceased's death. The theory of the crown is that the prisoner beat and ill-treated his wife, and that she died from injuries at his hands.

Jacob Hill was charged with the murder of his stepson, Abram Claus, at Burford, on May 9 last. The prisoner is an Indian, aged 17 years. He pleaded not guilty to murder. The plea of manslaughter was afterwards accepted, and on being tried he was found guilty.

PRINTING PAPER COMBINE. New York, Dec. 11.—The principal manufacturers of printing paper, shod for newspapers, after numerous conferences, have reached an agreement to pool interests, to deal with the consumers only through a general agency, which is to be established in this city. The plan forms a national association. They deny that prices will be advanced as a result of the proposed agreement, but contend that they are obliged to co-operate to prevent ruinous competition. Thirty companies are interested in the movement. They are to control the industry in the United States.

UNITED STATES CROPS. Washington, D. C., Dec. 10.—The Dominion returns to the Department of Agriculture show a considerable improvement in the condition of the cotton crop as compared with the department's last report. The total crop is estimated at 7,161,094 bales. The returns to the statistician of the Department of Agriculture for the month of December relate chiefly to the average farm price of the various products of agriculture on the first day of the month. The farm price for corn, it is indicated, averages 21.4 cents, against 20.1 cents last year. The average price of wheat is 72.7 cents, against 59.3 cents last year. Of rye, 40.3 cents, against 42.2 cents last year. Of oats, 18.6 cents, against 19.9 cents last year. Of barley, 32.2 cents, against 33.7 cents last year. Of buckwheat, 39.1 cents, against 42.2 cents last year. Of potatoes, 23.7 cents, against 25.6 cents last year. Leaf tobacco, per pound, 8 cents, against 6.8 cents last year. Hay, per ton, \$8.54, against \$8.35 last year. Cotton, per pound, 6.6 cents, against 7.4 cents last year. The condition of winter wheat on Dec. 1 averaged for the country 95.5 per cent, against 84.4 in 1894, 92 in 1894, and 81.5 in 1893. The returns make the acreage of winter wheat just now 105.2 per cent, against 104.4 in 1894, and 103.2 in 1893. The estimate, which is preliminary to the completed estimate of June next, shows a record for the harvest of 1897, 23,985,470 bushels, against 23,885,470 in 1896, and 23,885,470 in 1895. The report is generally favorable; increase in acreage probably not great.

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