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Melton meant to choose an heiress for Ardara out of his wife's nearest relations. The sword hanging over our heads and causing my father harrasing anxiety is, that we cannot obtain money to pay impatient debtors in three months, the dear old home, which has belonged to our ancestors from time immemorial, will have to be sold. A family reason I cannot enter upon makes this doubly heart-breaking," she continued in a lower tone, while the tears rushed to her eyes at the thought of her unhappy wandering brother. She drove them back bravely, however, and looking up into Mr. Everard's face, added with a little laugh, as she marked his look of surprise, "You see how foolish I have been. I had believed in the inheritance story, and I wanted Lord Melton to like me. But my silly dream is over now."

"I am surprised at the idea that has arisen of Lord Melton giving the inheritance away," said Mr. Everard gravely; "he has certainly communicated nothing of any such intention to us. But he might well be of assistance to you in other ways. You never, however, gave me the impression that you were trying to win his good graces," he added with a smile. "I was sorry last night that your kindness to me put you into an unpleasant predicament, through that little monkey, Dora."

"Oh! it is not one thing," sighed Kathleen, "it is everything. I like Lord Melton. I think he is, without exception, the most agreeable man in society I ever met with—but—there is an end of it. If I were to know him for a hundred years, we should be as utter strangers as we are to-day. I wish I could get on with him, but I can't."

"Well, he has a good kind heart at bottom," said Mr. Everard; "and if you would join the party round him a little more, and not trouble yourself to be kind to me, because you think I am neglected, you would perhaps get on better."

Kathleen blushed crimson at this frank and unembarrassed statement of his own perceptions. "He certainly," she thought to herself, "is the most extraordinary man. He reads through motives and characters as though they were made of glass." After a moment's silence she recovered her self-possession, and when she spoke again it was in a tone of marked respect.

"I like to talk to you," she said, "because you understand me, and have been good enough to take interest in my troubles as a friend would. With Lord Melton I feel as a stranger. I do not think Lord Melton and I feel alike about any single thing in this world or the next; and I cannot try for one's good opinion. No; if help is to come in this hour of need to our house, it will flow from a source far higher than that."

Kathleen spoke warmly, almost passionately, according to her impulsive nature, and a slight, though not ill-natured, smile played round the corners of Mr. Everard's mouth. But before he had time to make any reply, a maid came up from the kitchen, looking cross and put out.

"A poor woman is standing at the back door," she said, "and she will not go without seeing you, Miss Kathleen. And please, Miss, would you send her out of the way, because it is very inconvenient her stopping there, as we are all busy getting breakfast. She is crying and making such a piece of work."

The indignant blood sprang to Kathleen's face as she surmised the contempt with which the poor woman had been treated.

"I know who she is," she explained, turning to Mr. Everard. "It is the poor woman whose baby was terrified by the sow yesterday. I fear the poor thing must have died of the fright, and the poor mother is breaking her heart in

self-reproach. Oh! I wonder where I could see her for a few moments privately!"

"Send the poor woman round to this window," said Mr. Everard to the maid, whose disrespectful manner was quelled by his tone of command. "I will leave you to your work of consolation," he continued, turning to Kathleen, "only I wanted to ask you to make no engagements for this morning. I heard Lord Melton tell Miss Fitzgerald last night that he hoped you would be of the picnic party to-day; you so seldom joined, he said; the out-door expeditions."

"Did he?" said Kathleen coloring. "It was very good of him. But here comes the poor mother. Oh! Mr. Everard, what can one say to comfort persons whose trouble has come upon them through their own fault?"

His brow clouded and his voice sounded stern and harsh:—"She must bear a life-long remorse, as others have before her." So saying he abruptly left the room.

Kathleen was surprised beyond words at his sudden change of manner, and the apparent cruelty of his tone; but she had no time to speculate about it. She found her task of consolation harder than even she had anticipated. The baby had died of convulsions in the night and the mother was beside herself with grief. She declared she was not worthy to touch the little angel, after having been the cause of his death, and her one desire was that Kathleen should come and see it and lay it with her own blessed hands in its tiny coffin. "It would be something to comfort Derrick," she moaned, "when he came back and asked her, 'Where was their child?'" And the overflowing anguish, which this thought called forth, shook her frame as with a strong convulsion.

Kathleen promised, if it were possible, to come that morning and bring some white flowers to lay in the baby's coffin. "I could not enjoy a picnic," she thought, "with that face of agony before me; they really do not want me, and she does."

She however found herself mistaken. The little observation dropped by Lord Melton had quickened everyone's attention to the fact, that she was very often missed out of their excursions, and to this, pie-nic, therefore, they were determined she should go. A few caustic remarks, that were passed upon the scene of the previous evening, made her anxious not to renew offence on indifferent grounds. So, very reluctantly, she yielded, resolving to send Rose in her stead, to do her best for the heart-stricken mother.

To be continued.

Foreign News

LONDON.—The Imperial Air Fleet committee is presenting the Canadian Air Force with three planes, in appreciation of Canada's services in the Royal Air Force during the war. It is understood that these are the first of a number to be given.

—A wireless despatch received from Lisbon announces the suppression of an insurrection. The despatch adds that the naval arsenal and the torpedo boat destroyer Giralda have been recaptured by the faithful troops. A government note issued to the newspapers says the insurrectionary movement was supported by Bolshevik agents. The provinces are quiet, except in Santerem, where rebels, who were marching on Lisbon were forced to retreat.

—Former Emperor Charles of Austria has been ill for the past fortnight, having suffered a relapse after partially recovering from an attack of influenza, according to a

German wireless message received here Jan. 16.

—A sensation was caused here when it was learned that Lieut. Col. Norman Cecil Rutherford had been arrested charged with the wilful murder of Major Miles Chas. Seton, of Melbourne. The murder occurred at the residence of Major Seton's cousin, Malcolm Cotter Seton, secretary of the judicial and public department of the Indian office, last week Monday. Col. Rutherford, according to the police, was seen to enter the Seton house. The police was sent for a few minutes later and found Major Seton dead with three bullets in his body. The reasons for the shooting have not been disclosed.

—Among the most convincing end-of-the-war signs are advertisements of governmental auction sales of enormous assemblages of military property, including several factories as they stand, airplanes, nearly 200 war vessels and large quantities of miscellaneous war goods. The Canadian government is in the first run with the clearance of Ashford Camp stores on Jan. 28, when amongst the lots offered are thousands of pairs of rubber boots and shoes, oilskins, 3,000 bell tents, 10,000 handkerchiefs.

AMSTERDAM.—In view of rumors of the impending outbreak of a revolution in Holland, the Het-volk says military guards have been placed before the town hall and telegraph office at Leyden, which is about midway between Amsterdam and Rotterdam.

ROME.—Last week the French steamer Chaproir struck a floating mine in the Straits of Messina, sinking in a few minutes. 500 passengers, mostly Greeks, Serbians and Russians, were drowned. Another steamer saved 150 of those on board.

VLADIVOSTOK.—There are 25,000 cases of typhus fever in Ekaterinburg, Cheljabinsk and Omsk, according to Captain Reifsnider, who has just returned here after completing a two months trip through Siberia for the American Red Cross. At an average ten patients daily were taken out of the crowded station in Ekaterinburg.

MELBOURNE.—A company has been formed under the name of the Aerial Service Limited of Australia, to finance an aerial transport flight from Australia to London. The voyage will be made by way of the Dutch East Indies and Bagdad.

IN THE SURROGATE COURT JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF HUMBOLDT IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF MIKE PLATZ JR., DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Mike Platz Jr., who died on or about the 15th day of November, A.D. 1918, are required on or before the 3rd day of February, A.D. 1919, to send, by post, prepaid, or to deliver to H. J. Fok, of the Town of Humboldt, Saskatchewan, Solicitor for the Administrator of the Estate of said deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, statements of accounts, duly verified by statutory declarations, and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that after such last mentioned date the said Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and the said Administrator will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons, of whose claims notice shall not have been received by him at the time of said distribution.

DATED at Humboldt, Saskatchewan this 31st day of December, A.D. 1918.
H. J. FOK,
Solicitor for the Administrator of said Estate.

IN THE SURROGATE COURT JUDICIAL DISTRICT OF HUMBOLDT IN THE MATTER OF THE ESTATE OF HENRY WINKELS, DECEASED.

Notice is hereby given that all creditors and others having claims against the estate of the said Henry Winkels, who died on or about the 27th day of November, A.D. 1918, are required on or before the 3rd day of February, A.D. 1919, to send, by post, prepaid, or to deliver to H. J. Fok, of the Town of Humboldt, Saskatchewan, Solicitor for the Administrator of the Estate of said deceased, their Christian and surnames, addresses and descriptions, the full particulars of their claims, statements of accounts, duly verified by statutory declarations, and the nature of the securities, if any, held by them.

AND FURTHER TAKE NOTICE that after such last mentioned date the said Administrator will proceed to distribute the assets of the deceased among the parties entitled thereto, having regard only to the claims of which he shall then have notice, and the said Administrator will not be liable for the said assets or any part thereof to any person or persons, of whose claims notice shall not have been received by him at the time of said distribution.

DATED at Humboldt, Saskatchewan this 31st day of December, A.D. 1918.
H. J. FOK,
Solicitor for the Administrator of said Estate.

Dairy Farm to Rent.

Tenders will be received by the undersigned for a lease for a period of three years of the South-east quarter of Section 18, in Township 37, Range 22, West 2nd, and of the fractional North-east quarter of Section 18, Township 38, Range 22, West 2nd. This land is situated on the main road south of the town of Humboldt, within one mile of the Post Office. Large brick house and fully appointed stock house are located on these lands, especially adapted for dairying. An ideal location for a dairy. Property may be inspected at any time. Possession given by first of March, 1919. Tenders will be received up to and inclusive of February 1st, 1919.
H. J. FOK, Solicitor,
HUMBOLDT, SASK.

WANTED

a location in suitable town for an expert German Shoemaker. Applications should be directed to ANTON DORRE, LEDUC, Alberta.

Experienced Teacher Wanted

for the Catholic private school at Bremen, Sask. Applicant write for terms to Rev. M. Steger, OSB, at Leofeld, Sask.

Prayer against Epidemic Diseases.

(Approved for the Diocese of Prince Albert by Bishop Pascal, O.M.I., on August 30, 1918, and endowed with an Indulgence of 50 days, which can be gained once a day by the Faithful within the said diocese.)

Antiphon. Remember, o Lord, thy covenant and say to the destroying angel: Now hold thy hand, that the earth may not be desolated, and do not destroy every living soul.

Lord have mercy on us. Christ have mercy on us. Lord have mercy on us.
Our Father (silently).
V. And lead us not into temptation.
R. But deliver us from evil.
V. The Lord sent his word and healed them.
R. And delivered them from their death.
V. Let the mercies of the Lord give glory to him.
R. And his wonderful works to the children of men.
V. Lord, remember not our former iniquities.
R. Let thy mercies speedily prevent us.
V. Help us, o God, our saviour.
R. And for the glory of thy name, o Lord, deliver us.
V. Forgive us, O Lord, our sins.
R. And deliver us for thy name's sake.
V. Hear, O Lord, my prayer.
R. And let my cry come to thee.
V. The Lord be with you. R. And with thy spirit.

LET US PRAY.
O God who dost not desire the death, but the repentance of sinners, through the intercession of the blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God, look propitiously upon thy people returning to thee, that thou, whilst it remains attached to thee, mayest graciously remove from it the scourge of thy wrath. Through the same Christ our Lord.

ORATIO CONTRA PESTILENTIAM.

Antiph. Recordare, Domine, testamenti tui, et die Angelo percutienti: Cesset jam manus tua, et non desoletur terra, et ne perdas omnem animam viventem.

Kyrie eleison. Christe eleison. Kyrie eleison.
Pater noster (secreto).
V. Et ne nos inducas in tentationem.
R. Sed libera nos a malo.
V. Misit Dominus verbum suum, et sanavit eos.
R. Et eripuit eos de morte eorum.
V. Confiteatur Domino misericordiae ejus.
R. Et mirabilia ejus filiis hominum.
V. Domine, ne memineris iniquitatum nostrarum antiquarum.
R. Cito anticipet nos misericordia tua.
V. Adjuva nos, Deus salutaris noster.
R. Et propter gloriam nominis tui, Domine, libera nos.
V. Propitius esto peccatis nostris, Domine.
R. Et libera nos propter nomen tuum.
V. Domine, exaudi orationem meam.
R. Et clamor meus ad te veniat.
V. Dominus vobiscum. R. Et cum spiritu tuo.

Oremus.
Deus, qui non mortem, sed penitentiam desideras peccatorum: per intercessionem beatae Dei genitricis, virginis Mariae, populum tuum ad te revertentem propitius respice: ut, dum tibi devotus existit, iracundiae tuae flagella ab eo elementer amoveas. Per eundem Christum Dominum nostrum.

Approbatur pro nostra diocesi. Concedimus indulgentiam 50 dierum semel in die lucrandam fidelibus hanc preces infra fines nostrae diocesis pie recitantibus.

IMPRIMATUR. ALBERTUS, O.M.I.,
Die 30 Augusti, 1918. Episcopus Principis Albert.

Gebet gegen epidemische Krankheiten.

(Von Bischof Pascal, O.M.I., am 30. August 1918 gutgeheissen für die Diözese Prince Albert und mit einem Ablass von 50 Tagen versehen, der täglich einmal innerhalb der genannten Diözese von den Gläubigen gewonnen werden kann.)

Antiphon. Gedente, o Herr, deines Bundes und befehle deinem strafenden Engel: Halte jetzt ein deine Hand, auf daß die Erde nicht verödet werde, und töte nicht jede lebende Seele.

Herr erbarme dich unser! Christus erbarme dich unser! Herr erbarme dich unser!
Vater Unser (leise).
V. Und führe uns nicht in Versuchung.
R. Sondern erlöse uns von dem Uebel.
V. Der Herr sandte aus sein Wort und heilte sie.
R. Und entriß sie ihrem Tode.
V. Sie sollen danken dem Herrn für seine Barmherzigkeit.
R. Und für seine Barmherzigkeit unter den Menschenkindern.
V. O Herr, gedente nicht unserer alten Missetaten.
R. Laß eilends uns zuvorkommen deine Barmherzigkeit.
V. Hilf uns, Gott, unser Heiland.
R. Und um der Ehre deines Namens willen erlöse uns.
V. Sei gnädig unsern Sünden, o Herr.
R. Und befreie uns um deines Namens willen.
V. Herr, erhöhe mein Gebet.
R. Und laß mein Ruf zu dir kommen.
V. Der Herr sei mit euch.
R. Und mit deinem Geiste.

Lasset uns beten!
O Gott, der du nicht den Tod, sondern die Buhfertigkeit des Sünders mißst: durch die Fürbitte der allerheiligsten Gottesgebärerin und Jungfrau Maria befähigt, blicke herab auf dein Volk, welches sich wieder zu dir wendet, auf daß du, während es dir getreu bleibt, die Heißel deines Zornes barmherzig von ihm abwendest. Durch denselben Christum unsern Herrn.