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The FILIGREE ..BALL..

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"I mean—" he endeavored to explain. "That Mrs. Jeffrey showed an unexpected tenderness toward me by taking all the blame of our misunderstanding upon herself. It was generous of her, and will do much toward making my memory of her a gentle one."

He was forgetting himself again. Indeed, his manner and attempted explanations were full of contradictions. To emphasize this fact Coroner Z. exclaimed:

"I should think so! She paid a heavy penalty for her professed lack of love. You believe that her mind was unseated?"

"Does not her action show it?"

"Unseated by the mishap occurring at her marriage?"

"Yes."

"You really think that?"

"Yes."

"By anything that passed between you?"

"Yes."

"May I ask you to tell us what passed between you on this point?"

"Yes."

He had uttered the monosyllabic so often it seemed to come unthinkingly from his lips. But he recognized almost as soon as he said it that it was not a natural reply to the last question, and, making a gesture of apology, he added, with the same monosyllabic of tone which had characterized these replies:

"She spoke of her strange guest's unaccountable death more than once, and whenever she did so, it was with an unnatural excitement and in an unbalanced way. This was so noticeable to us all that the subject presently was tabooed amongst us; but though she henceforth spared us all allusion to it, she continued to talk about the house itself and of the previous deaths which had occurred there. We were forced to forbid that topic also. She was never really herself after crossing the threshold of this gloomy house to be married. The shadow which lurks within its walls fell at that instant upon her life. My God! have mercy!"

The prayer remained unfinished. His head which had fallen on his breast sank lower.

He presented the aspect of one who is quite done with life, even with its sorrows.

But men in the position of Coroner Z. can not afford to be compassionate. Everything the bereaved man said deepened the impression that he was acting a part. To make sure that this was really so, the coroner, with just the slightest touch of sarcasm, quietly observed:

"And to ease your wife's mind—the wife you were so deeply angered with—you visited this house, and, at an hour which you should have spent in reconciliation with her, went through its ancient rooms in the hope of what?"

Mr. Jeffrey could not answer. The words which came from his lips were mere ejaculations.

"I was restless—mad—I found this adventure diverting. I had no real purpose in mind."

"Not when you looked at the old picture?"

"The old picture? What old picture?"

"The old picture in the southwest chamber. You took a look at that, didn't you?" Got up on a chair on purpose to do so?"

Mr. Jeffrey winced. But he made a direct reply.

"Yes, I gave a look at that old picture; got up, as you say, on a chair to do so. Wasn't that the freak of an idle man, wandering, he hardly knows why, from room to room in an old and deserted house?"

His tormentor did not answer. Probably his mind was on his next line of inquiry. But Mr. Jeffrey did not take his silence with the calmness he had shown prior to the last attack. As no word came from his unwelcome held restraint, he cried out sharply:

"Why do you ask me these questions?"

in tones of such suspicion? Is it not plain enough that my wife took her own life under a misapprehension of my state of mind toward her, that you should feel it necessary to rake up these personal matters, which, however interesting to the world at large, are of a painful nature to me?"

"Mr. Jeffrey," retorted the other, with a sudden grave assumption of dignity not without its effect in a case of such serious import, "we do nothing without purpose. We ask these questions and show this interest because the charge of suicide which has hitherto been made against your wife is not generally sustained by the facts. At least she was not alone when she took her life. Some one was in the house with her."

It was startling to observe the effect of this declaration upon him. "Impossible!" he cried out in a protest, "I was alone. It was I who fired that deadly shot; unless it was myself—unless it was my own wretched, miserable self."

The remorseful whisper in which those final words were uttered carried them to his heart, which for some strange and unaccountable reason had been gradually turning toward this man. But my less easily affected companion, seeing his opportunity and possibly considering that it was this gentleman's right to know in what a doubtful light he stood before the law, he made no attempt to paralyze a touch of irony as was possible:

"You should know better than we in whose presence she would choose to die—Altogether so, so choose. Also, he would be likely to tie the pistol to her wrist and blow out the candle when the dreadful deed was over."

The laugh which seemed to be the only means of violent expression remaining to this miserable man was heard coming from the man who had seemed to paralyze him. Without making any attempt to refute a suggestion that fell just short of a personal accusation, he sank down in the first chair he came to and became, as it were, lost in the vision of the state of mind which had led to the fatal blowing out of the candle upon this scene of mournful death. Then with a struggling sense of having heard something which called for answer, he rose blindly to his feet and managed to let fall these words:

"You are mistaken—one was not there, or if any one was—it was not I. There is a man in this city who can prove it."

But when Mr. Jeffrey was asked to give the name of this man he showed confusion and presently was obliged to admit that he could neither recall the name nor remember anything about him, but that he was some one whom he knew well, and who knew him well. He affirmed that the two had met and spoken near Soldiers' Home shortly after the sun went down, and that the man would be sure to remember the state of mind which could only find him, and that he was some one whom he knew well, and who knew him well. He affirmed that the two had met and spoken near Soldiers' Home shortly after the sun went down, and that the man would be sure to remember the state of mind which could only find him, and that he was some one whom he knew well, and who knew him well.

As Soldiers' Home was several miles from the Moore house and quite out of the way of all his accustomed haunts, Coroner Z. asked him how he came to be there. He replied that he had just come from Rock Creek Cemetery. That he had been in a wretched state of mind at that time, and possibly being influenced by what he had heard of the yearly vigils Mr. Moore was in the habit of holding there, and taken a notion to stroll among the graves, in search of the rest and peace of mind he had failed to find in his aimless walks about the city. At least, that was the way he chose to account for the meeting he mentioned. Falling into reverie again, he seemed to be trying to recall the name which at this moment was of such importance to him. But it was without avail, as he presently acknowledged.

"I can not remember who it was. My brain is whirling, and I can recall nothing but that this man and myself left the cemetery together on the night mentioned, just as the gate was being closed. As it closes it sundown, the hour can be fixed to a minute. It was somewhere near seven, I believe; near enough, I am sure, for it to have been impossible for me to be at the Moore house at the time my unhappy wife is supposed to have taken her life. There is no doubt about your believing this," he demanded in his feet, he confronted us in all the pride of his exceptionally handsome person."

[To be Continued.]

Some apples ripen late, but that was an early fall apple Adam ate.

WILL HAVE A HOCKEY TEAM IN THE SENIOR CITY LEAGUE

V. M. C. A. Decides to Enter One—Miss Adair Lost—Fessenden's Clean-Up.

THE TURF.

YESTERDAY'S TURF WINNERS.
At Jamaica—Ascension (Bolsen), 3 to 10 and 2 to 5; Buttons (Redfern), 1 to 2 and out; Soufriere (Fuller), 7 to 2 and 7 to 5; Sweet Alice (Higgins), 8 to 1 and 3 to 1; Crickany (Truebel), 10 to 1 and 4 to 1; Pass Book (Cochran), 50 to 1 and 20 to 1.
At Latona—John Yerkes, 6 to 5; Sanetomo, 13 to 10; Antioles, 9 to 5; Katie Powers, 25 to 1; Reservation, 7 to 5; Fair Lady Anna, 8 to 5.

MADE \$30,000 COUP.

New York, Nov. 12.—Probably the largest coup made on an eastern track this year occurred in the last race at Jamaica today, when Pass Book, owned by W. C. Fessenden in a field of thirteen horses, won at 50 to 1. By placing his money in small amounts Fessenden was able to get most of it down at 100 to 1, after which the price gradually dropped to 50 to 1. Fessenden took about \$30,000 from the bookmakers. Pass Book lay in good position to the head of the stretch, when Cochran sent him to the front and won by a length from Sir Shep, with the favorite, Mart Muller, third.

FIRST FOR SAGINAW DOG.

Ruthven, Ont., Nov. 11.—The international field trials, all ages, stake was brought to a close today, results as follows: First, Lou Rodfield, by Rodfield, out of Gipsy A. Gladstone, owned by M. W. Tanner, Saginaw, Mich.; handler, Charles Pettit. Second, Don Antonio, by Dash Antonio, out of Eldred's Constance, owned by E. H. Nelson, Detroit, Mich.; handler, W. C. Donaldson. Third, Selkirk Solus, by Selkirk Whyte, out of Selkirk Tena, owned and handled by W. B. Wells, Chatham, Ont. The weather being perfect and walking good, there was a large number of owners, handlers and spectators in attendance.

THE RING.

GARDNER HAD IT EASY.
Lansing, Mich., Nov. 12.—Gus Gardner got the decision over Dick Fitzpatrick in the tenth round of the fight here tonight. Gardner had the best of the fight all through.

HOCKEY.

CANDIDATES FOR SECRETARY OF O. H. A.
The following names have been suggested as candidates for the office of secretary-treasurer of the O. H. A.: Dr. Billy Wood, Alex. Milne, Wellington, a notice generally sustained by the facts. At least she was not alone when she took her life. Some one was in the house with her."

WOODSTOCK ELECTS OFFICERS.

At a very enthusiastic meeting the Woodstock Hockey Club organized for the season. The following officers were elected: President, Dr. J. J. Sinclair; vice-president, J. H. Armstrong; secretary, C. H. Hersey; treasurer, H. Frank. A permanent committee was appointed of the following gentlemen: Mr. James Davies, Mr. H. E. Douglas, Mr. R. Merigold. The club proposes entering a strong team in the intermediate series this season.

WILL ENTER SENIOR TEAM.

The question has been definitely settled that the V. M. C. A. will enter a hockey team in the Senior City League this winter. A meeting of those who were interested in the matter was held last night at the building. The officers were not elected, but a committee was appointed to arrange for practice hours and to endeavor to procure a rink where these matters are attended to the committee, which is composed of Messrs. George A. Percy Williams and G. A. McLaren, will report at a meeting which will likely be called early next week. The team will then be fully organized and the work of training for the season commenced.

YOUNG LADIES' HOCKEY CLUB.

Southampton, Ont., Nov. 12.—On Tuesday night last the young ladies organized their hockey club for the fourth season with the following officers: Patron and patroness, C. M. Bowman, M. P. P., and Mrs. Bowman; president, Mrs. Fred Bowman; secretary, Mrs. Harry Spencer; first vice-president, Mrs. Harry Harmer; second vice-president, Mrs. Harry Harmer; third vice-president, Mrs. Tehan; secretary-treasurer, Miss Mary McIvor; committee of management, Miss Eva Smith, Lou Broad, Ethel Creighton, Jennie Byers, Minnie Gilbert, Polly Dolson, captain, Miss Ida Telford, W. Auer, Mr. D. McDonald; business manager, A. Crosby.

MAY LOOSE THEIR PLAYERS.

Montreal, Nov. 12.—The prospects of the Montreal Hockey Club losing some of its members and best players is talked about in hockey circles as the outcome of the annual meeting of the club was held tonight. Two elements in the club want things their own way, the players and their friends being for more control and better treatment of its members and best players do not succeed in their plans. It is feared many of them will leave the club and go to other cities, and the Montreal association will be deprived of a championship team.

INDOOR BASEBALL.

A game of indoor baseball will be played tonight at the drill shed between the sergeants of the barracks and the sergeants of the Seventh.

WILL ORGANIZE SOON.

The V. M. C. A. basketball league will organize for the season in a short time. A tournament similar to that of last year will be arranged and a number of outside games will be played. The practices have already commenced.

GOLF.

MISS ADAIR WAS DEFEATED.
Toronto, Nov. 13.—Miss Rhona Adair, the British golf champion, met with her first defeat in Canada on the links of the Toronto Hunt Club, Wednesday afternoon. However, there were some extenuating circumstances.

Miss Adair, had a partner, Mr. M. C. Cheron, and they played a two-ball foursome with Mrs. Bolte and Mr. Henry Des Voeux. Mr. Cameron's driving was somewhat faulty, and as they were playing the same hole, Miss Adair did not have the same opportunity to display her ability as she had at Latona.

Mrs. Bolte and Mr. Des Voeux won by 2 up and 1 to play, although both couples made the round of the course in exactly the same number of strokes, viz., 45 out and 46 in, a total of 91. The winners were always in the lead. They were 1 up on the first round, and at one stage were 2 up. Miss Adair and Mr. Cameron won the 18th hole, and the 17th hole was halved, giving the victory to Mrs. Bolte and Mr. Des Voeux.

Miss Adair went to Hamilton today, as the guest of Miss Harvey, the Canadian champion, but she may not play, as she expressed a desire to have a rest. Tomorrow at Rosedale Miss Adair will play the best ball of Mrs. John Dick and Miss Evelyn Cox, and on Saturday at Lambton, Percy Barrett, zone. Price, 50c.

the professional, will play the best ball of Mr. George S. Lyon and Miss Adair.

BASEBALL.

GOING TO WALLACEBURG.
The Midgets, who were champions of the Y. M. C. A. basketball league last year, will go to Wallaceburg next week to play a game with the team of that place.

TRIGGER.

SPORT AT THAMESFORD.
The shot at Thamesford recently, under the auspices of the Thamesford Rifle Association, provided a good day's sport for a large number of the shots from this vicinity. B. B. McCarty won the matches for tyros and all comers, while H. Hampson and F. N. Allen were tied in the extra series at 300 yards. The junior event went to E. Henshaw, with 59. In the team match, Thamesford won from Woodstock, the score standing 328 to 311. The scores were as follows:

Match No. 1—Tyros:	200	500
B. B. McCarty	29	50
D. Quinn	30	50
E. Henshaw	31	50
F. Burgess	31	50
J. S. Henderson	31	50
G. Gordon	31	50
H. F. Day	31	50
J. B. Tree	31	50
W. H. Stevenson	31	50
M. Cowper	31	50
H. Hampson	31	50
Art. Morrison	31	50
E. McLeod	31	50
J. Taylor	31	50
W. Hogg	31	50
W. W. McLeod	31	50
W. W. Day	31	50
H. Wiltshire	31	50
C. C. Day	31	50
A. McPhail	31	50
V. G. Molins	31	50
J. Brown	31	50
George Oliver	31	50

Match No. 2—All comers:

200	500
B. B. McCarty	29
F. N. Allen	30
John Gordon	31
D. Quinn	31
E. Henshaw	31
F. Burgess	31
J. S. Henderson	31
G. Gordon	31
H. F. Day	31
J. B. Tree	31
W. H. Stevenson	31
M. Cowper	31
H. Hampson	31
Art. Morrison	31
E. McLeod	31
J. Taylor	31
W. Hogg	31
W. W. McLeod	31
W. W. Day	31
H. Wiltshire	31
C. C. Day	31
A. McPhail	31
V. G. Molins	31
J. Brown	31
George Oliver	31

Match No. 3—Juniors:

200	500
E. Henshaw	31
W. H. Stevenson	31
William Brock	31
R. Ross	31
W. H. Case	31
James Jones	31
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Team Match—Thamesford:

200	500
B. B. McCarty	29
D. Quinn	30
H. F. Day	31
M. Cowper	31
E. McLeod	31
W. W. Day	31

Woodstock:

200	500
John Gordon	27
J. S. Henderson	28
G. Gordon	29
H. Hampson	29
J. Coddville	29

TOTAL:

200	500
John Gordon	27
J. S. Henderson	28
G. Gordon	29
H. Hampson	29
J. Coddville	29

MAY BE CLOSE SEASON.

Montreal, Nov. 12.—Scarcity of game birds in the province was commented upon last night at the annual meeting of the Province of Quebec association for the Protection of Fish and Game. There has been a decided slump since last year, and it is not easy now for the sportsman to find a supply of game. As a result of this meeting, an effort will be made to induce the Legislature to make it a close season for some years. Already the sale of partridges has been prohibited until 1905, and both purchaser and seller are liable to fine as punishment. By this means it is hoped to allow of the propagation of species now also extinct. There has been an improvement in conditions of the province, and the present season has been one of the best and deer have been plentiful.

LONGEST HIT EVER MADE

Feature of the Seventh Indoor Basketball Games—Good Game Last Night.

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