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THE MESSAGE
By LOUIS TRACY

Author of "The Wings of the Morning," "The Wheel of Fortune," "The Captain of the Kansas," etc.

(Continued)

Meanwhile he was fastening the refractory document to the deck. With patience, helped by half a dozen pins, he managed to smooth it sufficiently to permit of detailed scrutiny. The girl, wholly interested now, knelt beside him. Any observer in a passing boat might have imagined that they were engaged in some profoundly devotional exercise. But the planks were hard. Miss Dane, seeing nothing but wrinkled parchment, yellow with age and covered with strange scrawls that seemed to be more a part of the actual material than written on its surface, soon rose.

"The hieroglyphics are beyond my ken," she explained.

"They are Arabic," said Warden. "Arabic characters, that is. The words are Latin—at least to some extent. Epistola Pauli Hieronica has the ring of Rome about it, even if it wears the garb of Mahomet."

He straightened himself suddenly, and shouted for Chris with such energy that the girl was startled.

Chris popped his head out of the fore hatch, and was told to bring his father's Bible, for Peter read two of its seven hundred odd pages each day in the year.

Warden compared book and scrolls, and did not interrupt. She contented herself with a somewhat prolonged investigation of Warden's face, or so much of it as was visible. Then she turned away and gazed at the Sans Souci. There was a wistful look in her eyes. Perhaps she wished that circumstances had contrived to change the yacht for the pilot-boat. At any rate, she was glad he had a sister. If only she had a brother!—just such a one!

At last the man's deep, curt voice broke the silence.

"I have solved a part of the puzzle, Miss Dane," he announced. "My Latin verse was severely tried, but the English equivalent, and that supplied the key. Some one has that—some one has written here the eleventh chapter of St. Paul's Epistle to the Hebrews. Our version runs: 'They were stoned, they were stung with whips, they were tempted, they were slain with the sword. . . they wandered in deserts and in mountains, and in dens and caves of the earth.' The remainder of the text is in yet another language—Portuguese. I imagine—but my small lore in that tongue is of no use to me. I may case my vocabulary could not possibly compare with the stately utterances of St. Paul, so it consists mainly of remarks adapted to the intelligence of a certain type of freebooter peculiar to the West African hinterland."

"What do you make of it all?" she asked.

"At present—nothing. It is an enigma, until I secure a Portuguese-English dictionary. Then I shall know more. Judging by appearance, the message, whatever it may be, is complete."

"What sort of a message is that?"

He lifted his eyes slowly. She was conscious of a curious searching quality in his glance that she had not seen there before.

"It is hard to say," he answered. And, indeed, he spoke the literal truth, being fully assured that the shrouded parchment pinned to the deck had once covered the bones of a white man.

"The writing is funny, too," she went on, with charming disregard for the meaning of the words.

"It is tricked in with a needle and Indian ink," he explained. "That is an indolent method," he continued hurriedly, seeing that she was striving to recall something that the phrase reminded her of, and here was a real danger of the suggestive word that had so nearly escaped her lips being brought to her recollection.

"You see, I have been able to identify the gentleman who served the artist as a model," and he tapped the gourd lightly.

"Therefore, I am sure that this comes from a land where pen and ink were unknown in the days when some unhappy Christian fashioned such a quaint contrivance to carry his creed."

"Some unhappy Christian!" she repeated. "You mean that some European probably fell into the hands of West African savages years and years ago, and took this means of securing a secret?"

"Who can tell," he answered, picking up the calabash and gazing steadily at the malignant visage thus brought again into the full glare of the sun. "This fellow can almost speak. If only he could—"

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TEXAS STORM KILLED TWELVE

Many Injured, Some Fatally, and Towns Destroyed in Seventy-Mile Gale

Houston, Tex., July 22.—Eighteen persons dead, eighteen seriously hurt and a property loss exceeding a million dollars is as far as can be ascertained at a late hour tonight, the toll exacted by yesterday's hurricane along the Louisiana and Texas coasts.

Passenger trains from twelve to fifteen hours late arrived here from the coast districts today.

Details of the disaster in the southwestern part of the storm-swept district are still meagre as wires were stripped from the poles and railway communication tortuously impossible.

The territory around Bay City seems to have been the centre of the storm which moved southward from Galveston. For hours a seventy mile wind swept across the Bay City region carrying everything before it. Every building was unroofed or partly demolished and the town tonight lies in four feet of water. The residents are escaping in boats.

Some districts in the lower coast country report that the storm was worse than that of 1903, which devastated Galveston. Eagle Lake seems to have undergone property loss nearly as great as that at Bay City.

Similar situations are reported from Lissie, Novata and East Bernard.

It is impossible as yet to estimate the total damage. Along the Brownsville road from Kinneville place, the destruction was nearly complete.

At El Campo the electric light plant is wrecked, all elevators are badly damaged and almost every church in town is either demolished or wrecked.

In the oil field about Markham, derricks were blown down and walls stripped of their machinery.

Six persons escaped from the jail at Richmond, when the windows had been blown in and while the guards were repairing the damage.

Fashion Hint for Times Readers



BREAKFAST SACQUE OF WHITE BAPTISTE.

While formal enough in character to be presentable below stairs on a hot summer morning, this pretty little sacque has all the loose comfort of a bonnet sacque. It is made of very thin, fine batiste, cut rather full and gathered at the shoulders and again at the waist, a full pleum falling over the hips. Insertions of val lace, to which is sewed val edging to match, make a pretty finish and at the neck a little yoke of the insertion is set in, a frill of the batiste and lace extending over the shoulder.

DIARY GAVE THEM AWAY

Note Book Found in Ottawa Robbery Case Gave Names of Harvard's Pals

Ottawa, July 22.—The supposed diamond thief, who yesterday eluded the local detectives by jumping from a morning train at Hull, duplicated his performance late last night by leaving the C. P. R. train bound for Toronto after the detectives and two clerks from the jewelry store had him located and were about to make an arrest.

The man Howard arrested yesterday has been remanded for a week. He is a young fellow of about thirty years, of the name of Howard, and a quantity of the drug was taken from him at the police station. Tonight two other suspects were brought in from Renfrew, they were both of them dashed from morphine and are being held for trial. They have practically admitted their connection with the theft according to the police.

The prisoner giving his name as C. A. Woods, of Kingston, is a slight, dark haired man, who is supposed to be a friend of Howard's. His companion, who calls himself F. W. Conrad, of Ottawa, is taller than the other prisoner. Both are clean shaven and well dressed.

It is learned that four men answering the description of the thieves had visited a local haberdashery just previous to the episode in McMillan's store, and had purchased several small peaked blue caps. It was by means of these and spectacles, that the gang, for the time being, at any rate, changed their appearance before the diamond theft. They also succeeded in stealing a shirt and a set of shirt stud and cuff links at the haberdashery. The cap found by Detective Gabor, after the arrest of Howard's friend, is a new peaked blue one, and Howard at the time of his arrest was wearing a similar cap.

One of the remarkable features of the case is the discovery of a note book in Howard's possession. In this the prisoner has entered particulars of fully a dozen "jobs," in which he and his pals have taken part during the last few months. It was from this that the local detectives ascertained that Howard and his friends were working west, and by it they were enabled to learn of the direction the men were liable to take. Up to this time, however, no trace has been found of the missing diamonds.

HARVARD'S EX-PRESIDENT OUTLINES NEW RELIGION

Charles W. Eliot Says it Will Be Founded on The Laws of Nature and Will Fight Evil Without Any Dogma—Will Shatter Old Beliefs.

Cambridge, Mass., July 22.—Charles W. Eliot, president emeritus of Harvard University, prophesied the advent of a new religion, in an address before the Harvard Summer School of Theology this afternoon.

"It will not be bound by dogma or creed," he said, "its workings will be simple, but its field of action limitless. Its discipline will be the training in the duty of young fellow of the direction the man will attack all forms of evil. There will be no supernatural element. It will place no reliance on anything but the laws of nature. Prevention will be the watchword and a skilled surgeon one of its members."

The coming religion, he thought, will be based on the two great commandments, the love of God and the service of fellowman.

President Eliot said in part:

"It is fair to assume that the progress of the twentieth century will bring about what I call the new religion. The new religion will not be based upon authority; the future generation is ready to be led, not driven. In the new religion there will be no deification of remarkable human beings and the faith will not be radical or tribal."

"The new religion will not teach that character can be changed quickly; it will admit neither a sudden conversion in the world or a sudden paradise in the next. The Christian church, has substituted for the religion of the twentieth century a religion of the nineteenth century, and I do not think of God as a large and glorified man or king or a patriarch; it will not deal chiefly with sorrow and death, but with joy and life. It will believe in no malignant powers and it will attack quickly by all forms of evil."

"God will be so imminent that no intermediary will be needed. For every man God will be a multiplication of infinities. This religion rejects the idea that man is an alien or fallen being who is hopelessly wicked. It will be a religion of all saints. It will respect all lovely human beings. It will have no place for obscure dogma or mystery. It will comprehend only persons of good will, for, after all, they alone are civilized."

TOWN PLANNING IN GERMANY

(Toronto World.)

In their report upon the recent visit to Germany, organized by the National Housing Reform Council of England, the Birmingham deputation call attention to the advantages derived from the policy of purchasing land in working out city planning and improvement schemes. They remark that the policy of the German municipalities in purchasing large areas of land, both within the city boundaries and immediately outside, has been undoubtedly facilitated their town planning schemes. In the opinion of the deputation it would be impossible in Britain, on account of the enormous expense entailed, to lay out streets of the immense width common in Germany, but the general ideas governing house planning in that country could be adopted without any great alteration in the existing laws.

The deputation go on to observe that "private interest in Germany is almost entirely subordinated to the interests of the community, but from Germany's experience it is evident that land owners recognize that in town planning the interests of all parties concerned are studied and the ultimate effect is that the

TORONTO PAPER SUE

BY DAVID RUSSELL

Toronto, July 22.—A writ for unstated damages for libel was issued at Osgoode Hall this morning against the Toronto Saturday Night Publishing Company. The complaint is David Russell, of Montreal, who takes objection to a letter published in "Saturday Night" some time ago in which he is referred to as "that erstwhile financial giant."

SALVATION ARMY CAPE BRETON MINERS' BAND



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Summer Gossip at Hotels

There is scarcely a summer resort—in the country, mountains or seashore—that isn't burdened and blighted by that most despicable of all women—the gossip. And generally she isn't alone. She is certain to find several of her kind wherever she goes for the summer. If she does not, she soon makes gossips of the women she selects as the recipients of her catty remarks about the other people in the hotel.

She neglects her own affairs so that there are twisted and turned and distorted in her conduct, innocent though it may pry into those of the other guests, and she tells what she discovers—and what she does not discover—as the gospel truth. Ever alert for anything that is none of her business she watches the other people like a hawk and misconstrues what she sees into fabrications of the most villainous sort. She is a listener, an eavesdropper. Fragments of conversation caught here and there are twisted and turned and distorted into ghastly tales that sometimes wreck homes, destroy happiness and besmirch a woman's honor. Nothing is too small or innocent for her to overlook. Everything that happens is glist for her undean mind. Here's a bar and a deceiver, she takes it for granted that all others are the same, and she looks for the bad in everyone she meets—not the good.

You can see her on the veranda of a morning, with one or more of her kind beside her, tearing the reputations of those about her to pieces like a vulture over its prey.

She talks in whispers and she grows suddenly quiet when others approach—unless they be her own kind. Even then, she may change the subject of conversation for the chances are she has been talking about them. She is friendly to everyone—and true to no one. A hypocrite herself, she looks for the same quality in others and laughs at the sincere, innocent woman who believes her friendship true.

There is but one subject upon which she can converse—people. An abstract, impersonal subject is of no interest to her. But she can talk for hours about those around her—and she is forever and a day quoting upon it, with a most wonderful disregard for the verity of her statements. After she has told each individual of her own kind what she has gathered since the previous evening, she tells what So-and-So told her.



You can see her on the veranda with one or more of her kind.

The young people at the hotel are under her evil eye from sunrise to sunset—and she has them engaged or separated a dozen times a day. None of them escape her criticism—though she pretends to their faces to think them the dearest and sweetest of girls.

There is but one way of dealing with the summer gossip and that is to avoid her as one would the pestilence. Though this may anger her and bring down upon you the darts of her forked tongue, it will at least narrow the possibilities of her lies and duplicity by eliminating her chances to quote you directly. Out her outwardly and consistently and avoid even the semblance of friendship with her. She is a wolf in sheep's clothing—and the wider berth you give her the better for you.

HALIFAX PLAYGROUNDS TAG DAY YIELDED \$1,700

Halifax, N. S., July 22.—(Special)—Tag day for the supervised playgrounds yielded \$1,700. Some eighty girls sold the tags which cost a minimum of ten cents and in some cases brought \$10.

Steamer Ocean sailed yesterday from Bermuda for Halifax.

TWO WORKMEN KILLED IN ROCK SLIDE ON C.P.R.

Grand Forks, B. C., July 22.—(Special)—A serious accident occurred a few miles east of here this morning on the C. P. R., whereby two men lost their lives. A rockslide had occurred and a gang of men were clearing the track when another slide occurred and buried three of them, hurling them down a steep bank. All were foreigners.

The Times Daily Puzzle Picture

ARITHMETICAL PUZZLE

The sum of 100, plus 1, plus 5, plus 1, plus 53 equals a word meaning "to lie." See if you can add them up.

ANSWER TO YESTERDAY'S PUZZLE. Upper right corner down, nose at right hand.

American schooner Mannel R. Cuzz, Captain Gayton, arrived yesterday afternoon from New York with hard coal.

Twenty-five pieces under Bandmaster Goodwin. They will give a concert in the Carlton ballroom this evening. They will return to St. John again and be here from the 24th of the present month till August 2 inclusive. They are touring under the command of Col. Turner.