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The Midnight Guest

By FRED M. WHITE
Author of "The Crimson Bill," "The Corner House," etc.

(Continued.)

She could not hear a sound in the house. Doubtless Silva had retired long ago. Perhaps he was asleep by this time. As to the servants, they were probably not returning till an early hour in the morning. Vera calculated that the house was sufficiently far from London to make a return after the theatre impossible. She was not going to risk it. If Silva caught her attempting to escape she could only return to her room again. She changed her dress rapidly. In the pocket of her skirt she placed a box of matches and a night-light, which she found on the dressing-table. To get through from head to foot, at length, she found herself in the hall. It was tense and nervous work, and the girl was trembling from head to foot. She hardly dared to touch the door. But here again Vera was doomed to disappointment, for every door was fastened and every key was vanished.

Vera blew out her night-light, and crept softly up the stairs again. She wondered if it were possible to open one of the bedroom windows and creep out. Trembling in every limb she groped her way into one of the rooms, the door of which was open. Once more she ventured to strike a light. Here was a large table with paper and pens and ink. The walls were lined with books. A strong current of air came in from somewhere; then Vera realised that one of the windows was open. There was a balcony beyond, and on to this she stepped, trying to measure with her eye the distance to the ground. But it was too dark for that. The risk was too great to take. It was like standing on the edge of a precipice. Vera drew back with a shudder. She really had not the courage for such a desperate venture. It would be far better for her to remain where she was until her friends came to her assistance.

With this thought uppermost in her mind Vera turned back to the room again. A sudden gust of air from the open window extinguished the night-light. It was just as well, for almost at the same instant another door opened on the landing, and a shaft of brilliant light shot out. In its rays Vera could see Silva and another man who was a stranger to her. Silva appeared to be in high spirits. He was chatting gaily to his companion.

"Now you know exactly what I want," he said. "You are to wait by the gate till two o'clock if necessary, and when those people come along, you are to give me the signal. If they don't come by two o'clock, then we can conclude that something has interfered with their plans, and the thing has been postponed."

"Oh, I'll do what you want," the other man said hoarsely.

"I'll see that you do," Silva went on. "I suppose those fools thought they deceived me this morning. It was just as well that I followed them. Well, if they like to come here, they will be pretty sure of a welcome. And now I will just come and let you out, and fasten the door behind you. It will be fun to sit

here watching till they are overhead, and then I shall have them in a fine trap. I am looking forward to it with the greatest possible pleasure. Then you had better meet me in London to-morrow, and I will give you the money I promised. Ah, my good Stevens, this is the best week's work you ever did in your life. A few more such jobs and you will be able to retire from your honorable profession."

The man addressed as Stevens smiled sourly. Vera made a note of the name; she also made a note of the man's features. Then the two of them went down into the hall, she slipped back to her own room again by means of the iron ladder. Her breath was coming thick and fast, but her courage had returned, and she felt braced up and ready to meet any emergency.

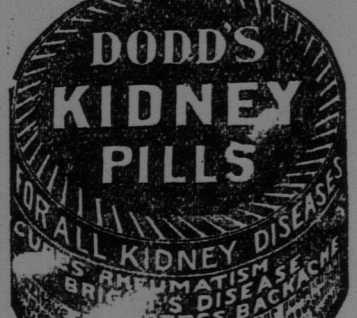
It was quite clear to her what was happening. As far as she herself was concerned, she was practically a prisoner. She could not get away even if she wished to. And now she had no desire to leave. Her instincts had been quite correct. Behind her, in the earlier part of the day had been her own friends. The dog had guided them here and even at that moment they were probably on their way to effect a rescue.

But they had not been quite clever enough for Silva. He had been too suspicious to let an incident like that pass. He had appeared to her to be the inevitable but, all the same, he had followed his own unwelcome visitors, and probably discovered their secret. And the worst of it was, Silva was now quite prepared for the intruders. It was impossible, too, for Vera to warn her friends. She racked her brains for some way of giving them a signal. There was only one desperate step to take, and she decided to risk it. Back once more she went to the door. She came at length to the landing on the first floor. Her idea was to find out where Silva was hiding. There was a strong smell of cigarette smoke in the house, which appeared to come from the ground floor. There was only one thing for it, and that was to descend to the hall. Under the morning-room door there was just a thin slit of light. It was here that Silva was waiting for her. She did not doubt for a moment that he would be one of the rescuers. It seemed to her that she placed the note on the little table with the night light behind it, and left the door open, it would be bound to attract their attention. Then she would be prepared for the attack from below. There was practically no chance of Silva coming upstairs in the meantime, so that there was no reason why the little plot should fail. It was done at length, and then Vera again crept up the iron ladder to the side of the tank. But she did not return to her room. She knew that she was perfectly safe where she was. Besides, at any moment her assistance might be of the greatest value. She stood there in the pitchy darkness, the leaden moments creeping on like so many hours.

Her ears were strained to catch the slightest sound; even the tickle of a water-tap sounded like a pistol shot. A mouse behind the wainscot appeared to be making noise enough to wake the dead. Then, above the creaking silence, came a quick snap, which was like the breaking of wood. Vera's heart gave a great leap. It seemed to her that the attack was commencing in earnest.

A minute or two later and she fancied she could hear footsteps in the hall. But this she dismissed as mere fancy. She could hear the trees rustling outside as they swayed to a sudden breeze. She hoped the wind would not be strong enough to blow out her night-light. She wished now that she had closed the window.

(To be continued.)



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Two schooners loaded with piling were towed out of Two Rivers (N. S.) last Tuesday by the steamer Mikado; the George D. Jenkins and Margaret B. Rupert, both for New York.

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Weak Kidneys, surely point to weak kidneys. They are the cause of the trouble, and the only way to cure them is by Dr. Shoop's Restorative. It is a medicine that will cure the kidneys, and it is a medicine that will cure the kidneys. It is a medicine that will cure the kidneys, and it is a medicine that will cure the kidneys.

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SENATOR PERLEY EXPECTS VICTORY

Many Liberals are Ready to Work for a Change in Government

Senator Perley, of Wolsely, Saskatchewan, is at the moment on a pleasure trip through Nova Scotia and P. E. Island and will go up the river this morning to Hampton, where he will visit Mrs. Perley's relatives for two days, after which he will return to Ottawa.

Senator Perley thinks the outlook for the Conservative party all over Canada is bright. In the west, he says, many who have voted the Liberal ticket all their lives are becoming disgusted and will go over to the Conservatives.

He found the same thing to be true in both the provinces he has just visited. The people, he added, are getting tired of the rule of the present government and disgusted with the flagrant immorality of some of the ministers and are preparing for a change.

Senator Perley said he had no idea when the general elections would be held. "If the government had confidence in themselves and the people," he observed, "they would not hesitate to appeal to the country. The natural life of the parliament will not expire till a year from November and it may be they will hold a short session next summer."

Speaking of the crop conditions in the west, Senator Perley said they were never better. The season opened early and growth has been uninterrupted. The grain crops in Nova Scotia are short but the senator said he never saw such clover and grass as on P. E. Island. The senator never was on P. E. Island and he said last night that he had enjoyed his trip immensely.

JUNE WAS A VERY PLEASANT MONTH
Figures Prepared by the Weather Man Show it Was Slightly Warmer Than Last Year.

In many ways the month of June was an exceptional one for the student of weather conditions. The average temperature was 57 degrees, the maximum for June 1907, while the rainfall was nearly three quarters of an inch below the average. During the month just closed the coast fog was unusually light and there was more bright sunshine than usual.

The highest temperature recorded at the observatory here during last month was 78 degrees and the lowest 35 degrees. The average was 57 degrees. The total rainfall was 2.43 inches. There was no frost at St. John during June. After the first week the weather was very warm with bright sunshine on most of the days.

Of the total rainfall 12 inches fell on the 16th so that nothing more than showers fell during the rest of the month.

Vegetation made rapid strides during the month and at the close of June every where looked promising. On the whole, June generally the highest temperature in June was at Fredericton where 81.5 was recorded. The lowest also was observed there, 34 degrees. The highest at Moncton was 89 degrees. The rainfall throughout the province was much the same as at St. John.

The month of June, 1907, was unseasonably cool with excessive cloudiness. In the northern part of the province the rain was about the same, but in the south it was below and occurred chiefly in scattered showers. There were light frosts on the 18th and 19th. The lowest temperature was 34 degrees. The highest at Moncton was 89 degrees. The rainfall throughout the province was much the same as at St. John.

The Battle Line steamer Cheronea, Captain Cook, sailed Wednesday from La Plata for Rosario.

When little girls are ill and are obliged to remain indoors for several days or weeks together, they find the time very heavy on their hands, with nothing to do but look from the windows or to play with their old toys. But a doll's house is ever entertaining to a little miss, for in a way she is a little housekeeper, attending to the management of doll's house and keeping it strictly in order. Directions for making a doll's four-room house are given here.

Take an ordinary soap box, or any wooden box of like proportions, and stain it outside with some pretty color, preferably dark green or brown. Stand the box on end and put into it three partitions, or floors, making the rooms about the other, four stories high. Windows may be cut through the sides of the box, if desired, although the one that was seen by the writer was without windows, sufficient light being admitted through the open side, which is, of course, the front of the house.

The house should have a small table on which to stand, and after completion should not have to be lifted about from chair to table or vice versa.

After the outside of the box has become dry, paper the inside with a pretty piece of light wall paper, pink or pale green, with flowers sprinkled over the surface. Then cover the floor with bits of cloth to represent rugs or carpets.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS

SELMAN COMPANY NEXT WEEK

Miss Eugenie Du Bois, the leading woman of the Selman stock company, has the unique distinction of beginning her career as leading woman to a well known Shakespearean actor. Miss Du Bois has a striking personality and has excellent stage presence. She was selected to follow Maude Odell as "Antoinette Du Mauban," the fascinating adventuress in "The Prisoner of Zenda," during the famous run of that dashing romance in New York City. Mr. Hale, the dramatic critic, pronounced her one of the most versatile women of the stage, a fact that will be seen next week when the lady appears in several parts of absolute, distinct character, ranging from broad farce to emotional leads. Monday and Tuesday she appears as "Florence Sherwood," a sympathetic lead in "Northern Lights." Wednesday and Thursday "Angeal," a quaint character creation in "Sweet Clover," Friday and Saturday as "Mrs. Shotts," the cunning temptress in "The Emerald," to Monday and Tuesday as "The Queen" in Hamlet and like characters when Mantell appeared here last September.

BUSTER BROWN

Buster Brown still continues to draw AT THE PRINCESS

LOCAL APPEAL FOR BATTLE FIELDS FUND

St. John Committee Issues a Circular Asking for Contributions.

The following local appeal in behalf of the Quebec Battlefields fund has been sent out by the local committee. Accompanying the circular is a pamphlet in which the whole project of purchasing the Plains of Abraham is explained and plans for the future development of the ground told of. Included in the pamphlet is a chronology of historical events in Quebec from the landing of Jacques Cartier to the present. The Appeal to History is also included within the covers. The pamphlet has been issued from the headquarters of the Quebec Battlefields Association and is printed both in French and English. The following is the circular sent out by the local committee:

St. John, N. B., June 30th, 1908.

Dear Sir:—The enclosed pamphlet will present to you His Excellency the Governor-General's plan for commemorating the Centenary of the Battle of the Plains of Abraham by obtaining for national possession the famous battlefields of Quebec, and we ask your cordial support in this project. The plan is to purchase the battlefields of the Plains of Abraham and to dedicate them to the nation in the presence of His Royal Highness the Prince of Wales.

This is a patriotic movement in which all Canadians are interested. The committee trust the citizens will give a ready response to the governor-general's appeal.

Any sum will be gratefully received, and contributions may be sent to the mayor or handed to Mr. Charles E. Scamell, Yours truly,
T. H. RULLOCK, Mayor,
D. WALKER, M. P.,
J. N. HARVEY,
H. C. SCHOFIELD,
Local Committee.

All money subscribed by the public will be spent for the battlefields only.

SHRINERS HOME FROM WOODSTOCK

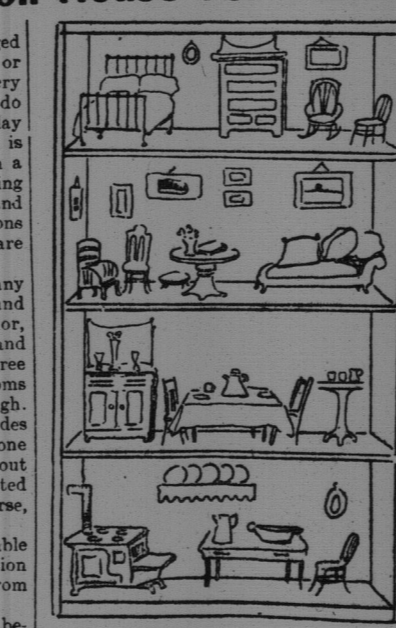
Members of Luxor Temple had a Pleasant Pilgrimage on Dominion Day.

About 100 members of Luxor Temple, Ancient Order of the Mystic Shrine made a pilgrimage to Woodstock on Dominion Day and initiated thirty-two candidates into the order. Those who went from this city included George Blake, potentate of the temple and other officers. They returned yesterday and report a most successful trip.

The courtesies of Woodstock were tendered to the visitors. The artillery drill shed was the place in which the candidates walked over the hot and burning sands. About fifty members of Luxor Temple, which has jurisdiction over the maritime provinces, has grown beyond all expectation and has now 500 members. An effort will be made to bring the number up to 1,000 before the end of the year.

The launch of the first steel sailing vessel built in the maritime provinces will take place July 14, at 8 p. m., at New Glasgow (N. S.). J. W. Carmichael & Co., the New Glasgow shipping firm, are the builders. The new vessel will register 410 tons and will carry about 500,000 feet of lumber. She will be commanded by Captain Martin. Messrs. Carmichael & Co. are to be congratulated as pioneers in the steel ship building in the maritime provinces.

A Nice Doll-House For a Little "Shut In."



The first (lower) floor should be the kitchen; the second floor, the dining-room; the third floor, the living-room, or parlor; the fourth and top floor should be the bedroom.

If the little girl for whom the doll's house is being built has had furniture on hand it may be retouched with stain and varnish, and do very nicely for the new house. A stove, a kitchen table, a cupboard and two wooden chairs furnish the kitchen. A dining table, two cane chairs and a sideboard will supply the dining-room. For the living-room, or parlor, or bedroom, a bed, a chest of drawers, and two small chairs, one of them a rocker.

An immense amount of pleasure may be had with a doll's house when girls are too indisposed to run and play out of doors with their comrades. She will invite her little girl friends to come and fetch their dolls for an afternoon tea with her dollies in their new house. The picture of a doll's house, such as has been described here, accompanies this article, and may be of help to one building a doll's house for the first time.

NICKEL CROWDED LAST NIGHT

After the hilarious holiday in the out-of-doors, crowds of people turned to the reliable old Nickel again last evening and the large auditorium was completely filled every show. Today there is to be a brand new programme and tonight and this afternoon the attendance is expected to be up to the standard. Miss Isabel Foley was the bright particular star last night, her sweet, strong mezzo voice being heard to excellent advantage in the ballad, Sweet Adeline, which revealed her as the finest lady singer heard yet at the Nickel, the home of good songs. Well sung, Mr. Collins had a new number which suited his magnificent baritone to a nicety. It was an Irish-American sentiment, Eileen My Own, for which he was encored repeatedly. Today's new pictures are: the late Edison novelty, Curious Mr. Curo, or the adventures of a "nosey" man who became tangled up in a pair of ancient handcuffs; a Fathe comedy, On Bad Terms With The Jansons; and a social-comedy, An Interrupted Romance.

W. P. Archibald in St. John on a Tour of Inspection.

W. P. Archibald, of Ottawa, arrived in the city yesterday in connection with his work as dominion parole officer. He reports the system as working most satisfactorily. The men who are on parole in St. John are all doing well.

Speaking to a Telegraph reporter last evening, Mr. Archibald said during the nine years the parole system had been in operation, 1,845 men and women had been released under its provisions and out of that total only thirty-three had lapsed into a life of crime. He regarded these figures as most satisfactory evidence of the good results achieved. Canada, he added, had very few women in the penitentiaries. At the present time, there were not more than thirty.

Referring to the prisoners who had been released on parole, Mr. Archibald mentioned that more than 1,000 had earned their full liberty and some 500 were now reporting with prospects of liberty by good conduct. A system of receiving criminal records from the chiefs of police, Mr. Archibald said, had recently been introduced for the purpose of distinguishing between the habitual criminal and the man who had made his first false step. The record of every man sentenced in Canada was now sent to him and placed on file. By this course, a prisoner's antecedents were, in the majority of cases, known, and this prevented any abuse of the parole system which might be taken advantage of by a notorious criminal. The system was intended to help those who were anxious to reform and who had fallen into crime from temptation or weakness. While there was no desire to crush any of the desperate and professional criminals, these, by good conduct, could reduce their sentences under the remission system.

Mr. Archibald is in the city in connection with his work and was informed by the chief of police yesterday that the men here on parole were 27 in number. He has recently returned from British Columbia and within the last week or two has visited Halifax, Sydney (C.B.), and Quebec. Mr. Archibald speaks highly of the way the work is conducted in all the penitentiaries.

He is expected to complete his inspection in Dorchester next week and will then visit St. Vincent de Paul prison in Kingston (Ont.). This will complete the round of penitentiaries, which he makes every few months.

PERSONALS

Rev. William Leckie, C. S. S. R., provincial of the Redemptorist Order, is in the city visiting at St. Peter's rectory. Rev. J. W. Millidge, Church of England, rector of Oak Bay, is to make his home in St. John.

H. F. S. Paisley, of Sackville, is at the Dufrin.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Henderson and family, Carmarthen, one of them a member of the society, have returned after their honeymoon trip. They will spend the summer at Rothesay.

George Blake and F. L. Tufts returned from Woodstock yesterday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Raymond, Miss Lily Raymond and Master Lawrence Scott, went to Woodstock on July 1 and returned home yesterday morning.

The Times Daily Puzzle Picture



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