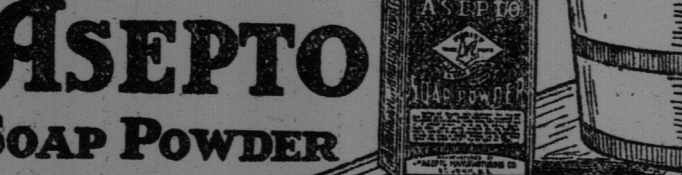


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Woman Who Walked at Night

By M. E. M. Davis

As Sinclair drew near Mrs. Lawson's house, he slackened his somewhat nervous pace, and halted with an air of decision. But Mrs. Lawson had caught sight of him from the porch where she sat, with a huge handkerchief on her knee, waiting for her boarders to come home for supper.

There was a shade of embarrassment on his handsome face. "Mrs. Lawson," said Sinclair, with visible effort, "I came by to see if you would take Katherine and myself to board."

"In the name of the blessed lamb!" ejaculated Mrs. Lawson, staring at him over the gate pickets, "what have you happened? What do you want to go anywhere and board for? Ain't the Catalpas—"

"It is a wrench to me to leave the old place," Sinclair interrupted, "and my father will be very lonely now that my mother is dead. But Katherine has set her heart on it, and if you will take us—"

"I haven't a sign of a room left, Allick," Mrs. Lawson broke in, "except the room on the roof," she added dubiously.

"Well, what is the matter with the room on the roof?" demanded Sinclair whimsically.

He threw back his head as he spoke and scowled his eyes up at the booby structure placed on the roof of the cottage.

"Nothing," returned Mrs. Lawson, hesitantly, "nothing at all except that it is small. Besides the stairs is like a ladder. Katherine would never descend it on any price, Mrs. Lawson."

Sinclair slackened his pace again as he approached the house, and he looked into the quiet garden at the Catalpas. His heart beat violently. He lifted the latch with as little noise as possible. But, as he was about to enter, he heard the door slam. He turned back, and saw his wife, who was leaning over the fence watching him from the bench where she was sitting, smiling at her side and trembling from head to foot.

"My poor Katherine!" exclaimed her husband, who had been looking on, where she lay pallid and almost lifeless.

She was very beautiful, the golden-haired girl whom Allick Sinclair had brought a bride to, to his father's house less than two years before. The mysterious malady which developed shortly after her marriage, and which had become more and more pronounced as she grew in years, had robbed her cheeks of their color and bloom. But it added an indescribable charm to her delicate face, and drew figure. An unearthly expression dawned into her large blue eyes—a great grief, as if her vision, like her sense of hearing, had become abnormally acute. Something almost akin to awe filled those around this exquisite young creature at sight of her strange and inexplicable sufferings. She had, apparently, no bodily ailment. But the slightest irregular sound thrilled her with nervous tremors, her attenuated frame shook with convulsions at any unexpected appearance; she paled at a whiff of unaccustomed perfume. She ate but little, and seemed to have lost the faculty of sleep. Lately a morbid distaste for the old Sinclair homestead had possessed her. She breathed with difficulty within its lofty walls; she was oppressed by the atmosphere of its shadowy garden.

The same night saw them installed in Mrs. Lawson's room on the roof. The room was small. A four-posted mahogany bedstead, with bed curtains of blue and white, occupied the last quarter of the floor space.

Sinclair, seated on the side of the bed, smiled as he compared this cramped room, with his wife's ample dressing room at the Catalpas. But he felt an unwelcome lightness of spirits. He could see the reflection of Katherine's face in the mirror opposite. She stood with her back to him, brushing out her long hair. There was a look of content on her white brow; he even fancied a touch of color in her lips; her golden hair seemed to have regained somewhat of its lustre.

"She was right," he thought; "the change had already helped her." He watched with delight the rhythmic motion of her slender arms. Meanwhile he chatted gaily of his boyhood days, and the recollections aroused by Mrs. Lawson's motherly gossip. Katherine listened, turning from time to time with a nod or smile. "Once, I remember, he went on," Mrs. Lawson came to the Catalpas with a—"He stopped abruptly, staring confusedly into space. He passed his hand across his forehead and continued his story. But the words were uttered mechanically. Was there—he was asking himself—was there something moving between Katherine and himself? Something faint and shadowy?—cloudlike? misty? Yes! No. He shut his eyelids tightly and opened them again.

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ers and held him at arm's length for a moment without speaking. Her eyes were brimming with unshed tears, and she looked about her red lips.

"Allick," she said, "I know why you wish to go, but you are afraid of me. Did you think I had not seen her?"

Sinclair and his wife returned to the Catalpas. It was Katherine who insisted, with a sort of gay pretentiousness, upon this. But even as they passed under the arched gateway the mysterious gloom fell back upon her; Sinclair, now almost as morbid as herself, could have sworn that he saw its descent in visible form. Her hair on the instant became as white as snow. She fled, palpitating with terror, across the old garden.

OTTAWA HEARING WILL BE ON DEC. 15

Marine Enquiry Will Resume Sessions at the Capital on That Date.

Ottawa, Dec. 6.—Justice Cassels, who is conducting the marine inquiry, and Dr. Charles Macpherson, who is investigating the case of the missing ship, returned today from Halifax, where the final sitting was held on Friday.

The inquiry will resume in Ottawa on Tuesday, and several witnesses whose evidence could not be taken at other points visited by the commission, will be brought here for examination.

It is expected that about ten days will be occupied in the sittings here, which are intended to complete the investigation. Sir Wilfrid Laurier has, it is confidently asserted, decided to accept Hon. William Templeman's resignation from the cabinet and will offer the portfolio of inland revenue and mines to Ralph Smith, M. P. for Nanaimo.

Brigadier-General Swaine, governor of British Honduras, has arrived in Ottawa in connection with his mission to aid in settling the Hinduo problem, which is bothering the imperial and Canadian authorities. The proposal was made some time ago to send the Hinduos, now in Vancouver, to British Honduras, where there are in progress important public works which would give the Hinduos a good wage and a chance to earn their own money. General Swaine will spend a day or two in Ottawa in consultation with the government and will then proceed to the Pacific coast.

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W. H. TRUMAN'S SUCCESS

He Has Been Appointed a Lecturer on the Staff of the Manitoba Law Society.

The members of the Manitoba Law Society have appointed W. H. Truman, of St. John, who removed to Winnipeg this year, one of the law lecturers on the staff of the society. The remuneration is quite handsome and the appointment one which will be read with pleasure by Mr. Truman's friends here. Mr. Truman is also lecture on law before the Manitoba Chartered Accountants' Students Association. He has also taken part in a case before the court of appeal in which a \$25,000 judgment is involved.

REV. FR. CHAPMAN ILL

Very Rev. W. F. Chapman, V. G., is critically ill at the rectory of St. John the Baptist church, Broad street. He has been stricken with double pneumonia and has been ill since Wednesday. At the masses in the church yesterday the prayers of the congregation were asked for his recovery.

Yesterday afternoon Father Chapman's condition was serious but late last night he was reported to be somewhat improved. Dr. J. M. Barry is the physician in attendance. The many friends of Father Chapman will be sorry to hear of his illness and will hope for his speedy recovery.

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DIVORCE IN THE UNITED STATES

(Mail and Empire) Divorce and marriage statistics of the United States, covering a period of twenty years, between 1887 and 1906, have been embodied in a report issued from Washington. They indicate a fine field for missionary effort, from Maine to California, and from Michigan to Louisiana.

Divorce is increasing in the United States to such an extent that out of 1,000 people married each year eight become divorced in the same time. As for the chances of the average married couple separating some time or other, the odds are only twelve to one against them. This ratio places the United States in a position of unenviable leadership among the nations of the world, not even France being able to challenge a divorce rate of one in twelve.

NEARLY A MILLION DIVORCES In the twenty years covered by the report, 12,829,044 marriages took place in the United States. The number annually increased, rising from 483,000 in 1887 to 853,290 in 1906. The total number of divorces in the same period was 945,225. For the twenty years previous to 1886 the total number was 238,716, or hardly more than one-third the number in the second period. Taking the whole forty years as a basis of comparison, divorces occurred at the rate of 10,000 a year in 1887, and at the rate of 60,000 a year in 1906. Of course, population enormously increased in this period, and the number of divorces increased in proportion to the number of married people. From 1870 to 1880 the increase of population was 30 per cent., while in the last six years for which statistics are available, the rate of increase of the population increased 23 per cent., and divorce increased 66 per cent.; while in the last six years for which statistics are available, the rate of increase of the population increased 23 per cent., and divorce increased 66 per cent., while in the last six years for which statistics are available, the rate of increase of the population increased 23 per cent., and divorce increased 66 per cent.

CAUSES OF TROUBLE Two-thirds of the total number of divorces were granted on the plea of the wife, and by far the most common single cause was that of desertion. Nearly 40 per cent. of ten divorces are ascribed to this cause, whose definition differs very widely. It is the loose interpretation of the word that makes divorce comparatively easy in many states, and permits a woman by simply becoming domiciled in a Western State to get rid of her husband, who remains in the East. As it happens, however, it is the husband who more commonly swears that his wife has deserted him. Nearly thirty per cent. of divorces to men are for infidelity on the part of their wives, while almost as great a percentage is that alleging cruelty on the part of the husband. Infidelity to husbands, and cruelty alleged by husbands, account for ten per cent. each. Drunkenness is the cause of five per cent. of the divorces granted to wives, and one per cent. of those granted to husbands.

SUCCESSFUL REVIVAL

Three More Baptisms as the Result of Evangelistic Services in Tabernacle Church.

The Williams evangelistic meetings in the Tabernacle church are losing nothing of their interest. At the morning service of Rev. J. W. Keirstead, the pastor, baptized three more candidates, making nine who have recently been baptized. Last evening the singing class will consist of twenty-four members.

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