

# The Rose and Lily Dagger

A TALE OF WOMAN'S LOVE AND WOMAN'S PERFDY

The marquis, as these words fell in grave and measured accents from the eminent barrister's eloquent and practiced lips, lowered his eyes and practised lips toward his eyes and he looked aside for a moment. That he might be condemned to death was very possible, he thought; but that the truth respecting the murder of Charles Sherwin would that day be revealed seemed to him very problematical.

The sergeant then proceeded to a plain narration of the facts as far as they were known. The murder of Charles Sherwin, who related his finding of the body, and the incidents following upon it. Told him that after leaving Saunders at the body at the house, he had gone to the marquis and brought him to the hut. He gave his evidence reluctantly, with a glance now and again at the pale, comely face of his master, as if apologizing for the necessity of saying what he said; and was about to step down when a sigh of relief, and wiping the perspiration from his face, when Gerald got up.

The court stared at the young counsel, who looked still younger in his wig and gown than had been every one remarked that the counsel was as pale as the prisoner he was defending. The judge put up his glasses and bent a keen look on the young man, and asked his name of the clerk of the court.

Gerald had only two questions to put in cross-examination. "The marquis offered to go with you to the hut at once?" "Yes, sir, at once."

"You, think carefully, was his coat torn? Did he look like a man who had been engaged in a struggle with another man?" "No, sir. Certainly not, sir. His lordship was just—just as he usually is, quiet and calm."

Gerald nodded, and Davies went down, and Saunders stepped into the box. His evidence need not be repeated here. He gave a clear, a meagrely account of events which had occurred under his own eye and as he proceeded an awful silence fell upon the audience. It seemed as if they found it almost impossible to breathe or move, so intense was the strain upon their nerves. As inch by inch of the panorama of facts was unfolded by Saunders, it seemed to most of them when he looked to most of them, methodical voice that the marquis must be guilty.

There was a pause when he had finished, and Gerald rose. "Were there any marks of a struggle on the body or the clothing of the deceased, Mr. Saunders?" "None whatever, sir."

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victed of the crime with which he was charged, as calm and collected within an hour of the commission of that crime as you say the marquis was?" "No, sir," replied Saunders; "I have not. There is always something forced and unreal in their manner. You can see that they are acting like the guilty."

"Nothing whatever, sir. He seemed quite willing that I should arrest him that night," said Gerald, quick gesture.

"Why did you not do so?" "The whole court listened breathlessly."

"I do not mean to charge you with a neglect of duty. I think you acted with propriety and due consideration; but I ask you why, with all the evidence against him, you did not arrest him there and then?"

Saunders looked at Gerald Locke, then lowered his eyes, said, "Come, Mr. Saunders," said Gerald. Saunders looked up.

"Because I did not think him guilty," he said, in a clear, dry voice. "A thrill ran through the audience. Judging by the marquis' manner, the way in which he answered your questions, you did not think him capable of stealing behind a fellow creature and stabbing him in the back?"

"I did not," said Saunders, quietly. "The jury exchanged glances. 'And now, as to the dagger, it dropped from the pocket of the coat you took from the chair?'"

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## WEAK AND NERVOUS. Thousands of Lives Made Miserable by a Terrible Disease: Overcome.

Thousands of people throughout this country suffer continually from weakness and nervousness. They are pale, weak, often troubled with headaches and dizziness, are exhausted with the slightest exertion, and often feel as though they were a burden. There is only one absolutely certain way to get new health and strength, and that is through the use of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People.

"Oh, quietly, sir, in the end, the captain hoisted his hand, and the marquis nodded, and the captain went up the hill, perfectly quiet like, sir, and I was a bit surprised."

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## FATTENING OF CHICKENS. Information of Use for Those Engaged in the Business.

FATTENING GRATES AND RATIONS. Department of Agriculture, Commissioner's Branch, Ottawa, Sept. 24, 1903.

A suitable fattening ration is one that is palatable and that will produce a white-colored flesh. Ground oats, ground buckwheat, ground barley and low-grade flour are meals that have been fed with profit at a much exclusively. No whole grain is given. Several meal mixtures are given to illustrate how a ration can be formed: 1. Ground oats, coarsest, 2. Two pounds ground buckwheat, one pound ground corn, 3. One pound ground oats, one pound ground barley, one pound, ground buckwheat, two pounds low grade flour, one pound wheat bran.

The ground meal should be mixed with a thin milk of water, four equal parts of milk or buttermilk. A small quantity of salt should be added to the mash. The chickens should remain in the fattening crates for about twenty-four days. Before the chickens are placed in the crates they should be fasted with sulphur to kill the lice. The first week the chickens should be fed the mash in order to accustom them to the change of diet and the confinement. After the first week the chickens should be given twice a day as much mash as they will consume. For one week before the chickens are killed a small quantity of tallow should be added to the mash to increase the juiciness of the flesh. Fresh water should be given in the trough throughout the fattening period. The cramping machine has not been used for feeding chickens for two years.

The baker-man was kneading bread. His trough was deep and wide. When much was deep and wide, he heard a small voice by his side. "Oh, make me large and fat," it said. "And stuff me full of plums, so that I may attract applause. From every one who comes."

The baker chuckled in his sleeve. To hear him talk so big. But thought, "I'll put in every-thing. And let him run his rig." He put in all he had on hand, and made him rich and rare, and set him in the window-pane, to make the natives stare.

For, swelled to twice his natural size. With yeast and plums and pride, He scorned the doughnuts, pies and cakes, And elbowed them aside. "I'm waiting for the duke," he said. "With whom I am a line!"

Just then the two newboys came along. Their appetites were fine. "My eye!" they cried, "come over here. See this jolly bun; Let's buy him for our supper, quick!" And so the thing was done.

Two morals to this little song: Are had at easy rates; 'T is ill to wait for dukes and earls In these United States. And when the baker kneads his dough, If then you are begun, No matter what he may put in, You'll always be a bun! — Isabel Frances Bellows, in October St. Nicholas.

Simple Method of Excluding Flies. The presence of flies in the house is a reproach. It is a falling away from a high hygienic standard, for the fly is a pestiferous fellow. It is very difficult to keep habitable places free from flies. Poisonous fly-traps are unsightly, and glutinous cords and traps are not very pleasant accessories in the household. Yet it is also of health that the fly should be excluded. The fly may easily be a pathogenic agent owing to being sometimes of the most disgusting character. When a fly walks across a ruble tablecloth, it leaves infection behind it. It is shown in the photograph which shows the insect's legs have been in contact. The fly, therefore, should be driven out of our haunts. It is a common fact that flies will creep through meshing even though the meshes be quite large. Unless there be a source of light near a window, however, that a net over the window will absolutely keep the flies out, although the meshes of the net may be an inch apart.

A curious effect is noted in the Andes. There is an inn half way up the direct route where ascenders and descenders frequently meet. The former half perished with increasing cold, the latter overwhelmed by increasing heat.

## MERRY, HAPPY BABIES.

There is no greater treasure on earth than a healthy, happy, merry baby. Anything therefore that will help the babe on in this condition is a priceless boon to mothers. Mrs. William Hall, Maple Creek, N. W. T., tells how she accomplished this end. She says: "I am happy to say that my baby's Own Tablets have done my baby girl a world of good. She was badly troubled with colic and very cross and nervous. But since using the Tablets she is all right. I gave her the Tablets once or twice a week and she is now such a merry, happy little thing that there can be no doubt that my baby's Own Tablets are just the thing for little ones."

There is a lesson for other mothers who want a safe and certain medicine for the ailments of their children. These Tablets are sold under a guarantee to contain no opiate or harmful drug, and they are good for all children from the new-born child to the well-grown child. Sold at 25 cents a box or sent by mail by writing direct to the Dr. Williams' Medicine Co., Brockville, Ont.

## Bleeding Piles and Erysipelas

Two Severe Cases Which Illustrate the Extraordinary Soothing, Healing, Virtues of DR. CHASE'S OINTMENT

Scores of people do not think of trying Dr. Chase's Ointment for bleeding piles because they have used so many other treatments in vain and do not believe their ailment curable. It is by curing when others fail that Dr. Chase's Ointment has won such a record for itself. It will not fall to promptly relieve and completely cure any form of piles, no matter how severe or of how long standing.

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Mr. James Uriah Pye, Marie Joseph, Guyborough County, N. S., writes: "I was badly troubled with bleeding piles for about four years and could get no help. Dr. Chase's Ointment cured me in a very short time, and I cannot praise it too highly for this cure. Mrs. Thomas Smith was troubled with erysipelas in the foot and leg, and was all swollen up. I gave her some of the ointment, which took the swelling and healed all the sores. She had tried many treat-

ments before, but none seemed to do any good. I am telling my friends about the wonderful cures, which Dr. Chase's Ointment made for Mr. Smith and myself and would say that it is only a pleasure for me to recommend so excellent a preparation."