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## The Seal of Nebuchadnezzar

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(Continued.)

Everything was going on smoothly as a successful ship-launching when Mrs. Garroway, who had been invited to the party, chanced upon a new means of making trouble. Mrs. Garroway had fitted up for her the charming suite of rooms and what more natural than that she should interest herself in the new neighbor below-stairs? Taking pains that her interest manifested itself only when unavoidable duties called her to the door, she had been in the habit of going to the suite, the girl burst upon Dr. Suggs's myopic vision with all the seeming splendor of a new Semiramis.

The demure Miss Amyot did not have to make eyes at him, or do anything forward or foolish. She had little dimples at the corners of her mouth that set him to building fantasies in his mind at the first sight. At the second she shared with him her enthusiasms regarding the seal of Nebuchadnezzar, and the excavations at Borsippa; at the third he offered to teach her Akkadian which to her limited previous knowledge sounded like Chinese nobody knew how to pronounce. But she proved a docile scholar, headed her head in the right place when the amiable archaeologist told her a number of things about the dawn of human history that no one really knows, and frequently said she liked those cunning little arrows much better than the funny eyes and the things in the Egyptian hieroglyphs.

It was a pleasant surprise that made her take the time to explain to any Assyriologist's heart, condemning Egypt and all its works, just as one might the eastern of a young man, by blaming Tyngston for his manifest lack of profundity.

Mrs. Garroway's delightful conversation with her little doctor received a shock about this time through the tale borne to her of a dinner Frank Fitzhugh gave at the University Club in honor of an old classmate, noted athlete and scholar, who had just received important promotion in the public service. What more natural than that she should tell Suggs, after a Phil Seta-Kaupke from Columbia? What more natural, too, than that Suggs, who had always envied the elder Fitzhugh, his worldly accomplishments quite as much as that good gentleman had failed to interest her in his scholarly ones, should be glad to go and, having gone, to do as the Romans do. His head was a little turned at the outset, when he was given the honorable seat at his host's left hand—Pargeter's suggestion—and

Well, there seems to be no doubt that he had early confided his ideas about Pargeter to the unexhausted Fitzhugh and that later, in what he considered as a neat little speech, he had proclaimed himself in the funny voice as "Buz" Suggs, as the "only true" Suggs, and that went for fear they might think he was a scratch or something similarly Egyptian. And Pargeter, who saw him in the hall, to his surprise, reported that the learner

There were times when Mrs. Garroway felt that she could have placed young Fitzhugh in a Babylonian den of lions with an entirely good conscience, and when she heard that she added a duty to her conception of a suitable future for him. How could she possibly know that it was really done for her own good, and to oblige her friend the bishop?

If Doctor Suggs had not had his vanity misled to the path power by Mrs. Garroway's, unflinching attentions—although these did, he must admit, after the dinner episode—might not have fallen quite so ready a prey to the wiles of Miss Amyot. But he had just formed a new and agreeable conception of himself as irresistible to the ladies, which is always the time a "thief" can find a man with a "thin" hand. Consequently, by Dr. Suggs's making fidelity finger marks all over the antiquity's soft but tough little heart, "Everything considered, a little bit had come, and it arrived with the advent of the famous Nebuchadnezzar seal, after Mrs. Garroway's munificence had been proclaimed throughout the civilized world in general and in the local press more particularly.

"Dearest madam," observed Doctor Suggs on that memorable afternoon, "having already deposited one of the twin seals in the Metropolitan Museum at your request, it now becomes my distinguished honor to place in your hand this little cylinder of purest gold,

which I may say is not only a tribute from the greatest of modern states, but is in a sense a personal token from that magnificent monarch, who changed the face of the world for the beautiful Queen Amyta, to another and more lovely queen, the reigning sovereign of the new world's metropolis.

"They were quite alone in the Garroway Museum, but Doctor Suggs asked to talk, no matter how it sounded, and his present audience, never having been addressed in just that way, was thoroughly enjoying it.

"I may add," he went on, "that I have little doubt from the inscription on this seal that it is made from the identical gold exacted as tribute from that Egypt which the great Nebuchadnezzar—more properly, Nabuchodonosor—so totally overthrew, not once, but upon several distinct occasions. The Euphrates and the Nile, the Tigris and the Mediterranean, Asia and Africa, may be truly said to unite in this pure and precious offering to a monarch who reigns solely by her away over the hearts of men, Queen Annabab Garroway.

The lady was deeply touched. Besides, she felt herself abundantly repaid by the unexpected amount of pleasant publicity the expedition had given her in both Europe and the States.

"Dear Doctor Suggs," she said, "will you, as a little token of my heartfelt esteem, accept this seal for your very own?"

"Oh, madam!" cried the doctor, his eyes gleaming with delight at attaining in a leap a consummation of unfulfilled desire. "Oh, madam!" he repeated, and he knelt down and kissed the jeweled hand that had just bestowed upon him a rank greater than that of royal treasurer in old Babylonian the quite as precarious, if he could have realized it.

Mrs. Garroway was a good deal surprised—and had been quite enough of surprise that day—and she knew of nothing better than to respect the moment. So she went to take a nap and there "entered" upon the scene Miss Amyot, in time to catch Suggs kissing the seal, and "repeated" in a French that Queen Amyta had exchanged like best Egyptian. "What a gracious lady!" he said, and he was simply dying to see the seal she had been speaking about for a fortnight.

"What a lovely thing, Miss Amyot," urged the doctor pleadingly, "priceless treasure, now that much backwash has piled it from the grasping palm of the ignorant Turk." He produced the little cylinder with a reverence that succeeded in impressing byrd himself a little.

She took it in her hand and looked at it carefully over her shoulder.

"Why didn't they put the seal on the end instead of on the side?" Doctor Suggs explained.

## CHIPMAN'S YOUNG MEN FORM CLUB

Great Enthusiasm Prevails at Organization of Liberal Club

CHIPMAN, Sept. 23.—Great enthusiasm prevailed here last evening when the Young Men's Liberal Club of Chipman was held under the most favorable circumstances. The meeting for organization purposes was largely attended and great interest shown in the movement, the young men desiring to appreciate the fact that they now are going to have a voice in the affairs of the parish and county. Speeches were delivered by P. J. G. Knowlton of St. John, Senator King, Dr. Hay, W. B. Farris, W. C. Hunter, Dr. B. Cranfield, H. King and others. All of the speakers congratulated the club on the success of its success.

R. D. Richardson, who was the unanimous choice as president, received a great ovation on taking the chair, and in a short but excellent address thanked the meeting for electing him to that place, and made a strong appeal for united and hard work among the boys. The election of vice-presidents resulted in Isaac Baird and Thos. Hidescombe being chosen. Daniel McPherson being the choice of the club as secretary. In regard to the officers the club is to be congratulated on its success in having such excellent officers.

Every indication points to the club's having a most successful career, all the members seeming to be highly enthusiastic and determined to work for its success, and already nearly one hundred young men have signed the roll. With this club in active operation Chipman may be counted upon to give Col. McLean the largest majority that any candidate running for the Dominion House has yet received.

## SYNOD UPPOLDS THE LORD'S DAY ALLIANCE

OTTAWA, Sept. 27.—The grand synod of the Church of England in Canada devoted a greater part of Saturday's sitting to the consideration of a report of a special committee appointed to prepare a new hymnal. A resolution was passed by both houses expressing hearty approval of the hymnal as submitted to the synod by J. E. Jones of Toronto, and the resolution was coupled with the provision that nothing in the hymnal should be construed as authorizing a protest or demonstration on any doctrinal question.

The synod expressed by resolution its full sympathy with the work and aims of the Lord's Day Alliance. A resolution urged that every family should put restraint on its comfort and freedom on Sunday in order that domestic servants might have the day to themselves and parents were asked to protect their children from demoralizing influences or passing the summer in the country or at resorts where Sunday services were not held.

A resolution was passed, urging every family to give a tenth part of its income to the church, thereby obeying the scriptural injunction and protecting the church against all provincial difficulties. Arrangements will be made for a big church festival throughout Canada in 1939 to commemorate the 200th anniversary of the opening of the first American church in Canada, which took place at Annapolis, N. S., in 1739.

MONCTON, N. B., Sept. 27.—A largely attended Labor meeting was held here last night and was addressed by several delegates to the Trades and Labor Congress. Moncton is looking forward with interest to the annual convention of the Trades and Labor Congress, which will be held here on Wednesday.

No less than three stores were entered by burglars last night. Two stores owned by David Steves on St. George street, and by Mr. McKinnon on Robinson street, were broken into. The police are working on the case, but have no trace of the thieves.

Moncton defeated Macdonald here Saturday at golf, thirteen to nine. Interesting races were held on the speedway yesterday afternoon. Following were the winners in the different classes: Named race, Spunky Jim, Henry Steves; three-minute race, Midget, H. H. Anderson; green race, Maud, James Brisson; running race, Smuggler, C. Beaton.

## DR. PUGSLEY REFUTES SLANDERS

The Sun, St. John, N. B.

My attention has been called to a telegram from St. John under date of the twenty-fifth instant to the Mail and Empire relating to my account with the Province of New Brunswick, which bears upon its face as evident proof of having been deliberately sent out at the present stage of the campaign for the purpose of injuring me that I presume it has been also sent to other Conservative papers throughout Canada. While I do not ordinarily notice what is said in the newspapers regarding myself, yet this goes so far beyond what has heretofore been said and is so grossly false that I feel it my duty to refer to it in this public manner.

The telegram gives unmistakable evidence that a most accomplished, unscrupulous and untruthful partisan political writer has again appeared in St. John in the person of the former editor of one of the newspapers of that city, but latterly employed at Ottawa as correspondent and political editorial writer for the Tory press of Canada. The telegram referred to is a tissue of falsehoods and of vile and slanderous insinuations from beginning to end. It states that discoveries have been made which have led Premier Hazen to charge that during my term of office I drew from the treasury over forty thousand dollars for alleged legal services. So far from this being the case, in all the discussions which have taken place in the legislature which has before it an account of all the moneys which I received, it was never suggested by either Mr. Hazen or any other of my most bitter opponents that this amount was for professional services alone, but that, in addition to services which began in 1935, before I became a member of the legislature, and two years before I became a member of the government, it also included my salary as Attorney-General for seven years, seasonal indemnity, traveling expenses, contingencies of my office and expenses of collection of succession duties. The present bold and malicious attempt to injure me by stating that this amount was received for alleged legal services now put forward by the paid writer for the Tory party in New Brunswick, will be refuted by every elector who desires fair play and just treatment of public men.

With regard to my outstanding claim against the province, I on the twenty-eighth of May last offered the provincial secretary to submit it to an arbitrator to be mutually agreed upon and endorsed him a check for five hundred dollars to cover the expenses of the arbitration. The provincial secretary replied offering to leave a part only of the claim to arbitration and insisting on naming a partisan lawyer as sole arbitrator. There the matter rests, the provincial secretary having refused arbitration by an arbitrator mutually agreed upon though holding on to my check.

If the case went to arbitration it would be proved by sworn testimony that I never received a dollar beyond what I was fairly and justly entitled to. This false and malicious telegram also refers to a claim in connection with notes of certain lumbermen which was settled by Mr. Tweedie, the present governor, when he was provincial secretary, and the suggestion is made, though not expressed or stated, that I may have something to do with it. This matter, which was purely departmental, had its origin when Mr. Blair was premier several years before I became a member of the government, and was settled in 1935, within a few days after it first came to my notice.

Regarding the railway investigation, also referred to in the telegram, while this investigation was started with the hope of injuring the late provincial government it has signally failed in its purpose, every dollar of money put into the investigation has been satisfactorily accounted for. The business of the railway is rapidly increasing and it will prove a valuable provincial asset, at the same time opening up rich and practically inexhaustible coal areas.

WILLIAM PUGSLEY.

## MEETS WITH GREAT SUCCESS IN ALBERT

SUSSEX, Sept. 26.—Dr. McAllister, the Liberal candidate for Kings-Albert, returned from Alberta yesterday, reporting in the best of spirits and greatly pleased with the success he met with in his canvass there. His friends in the province are confident that he will win a splendid vote and promise him a handsome majority in that part of the united constituency.

George W. Fowler opened his campaign in Penobscot Thursday night, speaking to a good audience which, he reported, was largely composed of Liberals who cheered vigorously for the government candidate. Dr. McAllister, at the close of the meeting, "The reports from all parts of Kings county are so encouraging," said a member of the Liberal executive to-night, "that we have no doubt of the election of Dr. McAllister. The remarkable success he has met with in his canvass here and in those western Britishas has visited indicate a change that will surprise the confident supporters of Mr. Fowler, who is finding it very difficult to explain his connection with the deals which so interest the Forsters."

In his speech at Penobscot Mr. Fowler appealed for the support of the independent Liberals, which brought a prompt response from a former supporter of his, "Not this time, Mr. Fowler."

## SAD DROWNING NEAR AMHERST

AMHERST, Sept. 26.—At four o'clock this afternoon the sad news was carried around town of the drowning of a Dartmouth young man named Clifford Huxtable in Blair's Lake, about two miles from Amherst. The cause of the accident is entirely unknown. Solomon Nelson, who resides on the shore of the lake, was out walking about eleven o'clock this morning, when he found a heap of clothing. Not seeing any one in the water he became suspicious and telephoned Chief Pipes. The chief organized a search party and with trons they scoured the lake. But three thirty-five the corpse of the unfortunate young man was found in five feet of water. By the appearance of the body and the clothing the accident occurred some time yesterday. His watch had stopped at three o'clock, and it is supposed that the accident occurred during the afternoon. The remains were brought to Christie's undertaking rooms and Coroner Dyer empaneled a jury. Deceased, who

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## MR. ROBBLIN IS PROVED A SLANDERER

Condemned Out of the Mouth of Friend

GLOBE VINDICATED

Willison, Former Editor of Toronto Globe, Refutes Crow's Nest Charge

TORONTO, Sept. 27.—At a Conservative meeting last week Premier Roblin charged the Toronto Globe with forcing the Crow's Nest Pass deal on the government and the people at its instigation and in the interests of its owners. The following day J. A. Macdonald, editor of the Globe, offered to resign if this were true, stating that he would accept the word of J. G. Willison, now editor of the News, who was editor of the Globe at the time of the Crow's Nest business.

In the News Saturday evening Mr. Willison emphatically acquiesced in the charge of chloroforming public opinion in order to make millions for its owners. He says: "The Crow's Nest Railway policy of the Globe originated with the present editor of the News. When he was in British Columbia in 1935 he looked into the situation and saw the necessity for better railway connection with the mining country. He wrote a letter from the west in advocacy of this policy. On his return to Toronto, the Conservatives were in power at Ottawa. He wrote various articles in favor of this particular railway project. No director of the Globe was consulted. No director or stockholder of the Globe as far as the editor knew had any interest in the Crow's Nest country. Later he understands Senators Jeffrey and Cox acquired interest in the Crow's Nest coal fields and became purchasers of the British Columbia Southern Railway.

The editor of the Globe did not know that the railway had been acquired by Senator Cox and his associates as a subsidy of that magnitude. He of course had no interest, direct or indirect, in the Crow's Nest country or any of its projects. In making this statement the editor of the News is anxious to give the fact, and is not concerned to serve either party in the controversy."

The Globe and Mr. Roblin

J. A. Macdonald, editor of the Globe, made a statement last week replying to Premier Roblin and Mr. Willison's statement in the News. He will say: "My first concern in this matter is for the vindication of the integrity of the Globe, under my predecessor's editorship as well as under my own. The political issues, past and present, and also the merits of the case, are to me for the moment of secondary importance. The charge made by Premier Roblin was against the good faith and common honesty of the Globe as a public journal. That charge was worth answering.

"No honorable man will affect to cavil at Mr. Willison's statement. On this question his word is final. The files of the Globe for two years before any shareholder had any interest in the Crow's Nest country corroborate that statement. The essential elements of the more significant because of present conditions. Flatly opposed as the News is to the Globe and to the Liberal party in the present political campaign, every honest citizen except the primary obligations of honor and truth would have been served by silence. Having spoken his word on this matter, I am not prepared to retract."

But Mr. Willison's statement does more than vindicate the honesty and integrity of the Globe. It gives authority and occasion to throw back the slanderous charge at the man who made it. The premier of a great province, the premier of the province of Ontario, is given back his false word, given it back in his teeth.

"When at Peterborough on Friday night the premier tried to evade the issue by pretending that his charge was not against the editor but against 'the man behind the Globe,' he proved himself a coward as well as a slanderer. No matter what his motive, his charge carried with it the insulting assumption that the editor of that day was either a hireling or a pitoon. And when he made his new charge against myself of 'disloyalty' to Dr. John Pringle his word was notoriously false to known and published facts.

"Surely this man should now be returned in disgrace to the province whose premiership he dishonors. Politics in Ontario may be undignified and sometimes corrupt, but we have nothing so stupidly and coarsely indecent as the Hon. R. P. Roblin, who everywhere boasts of being the first minister of Manitoban."

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## CARVELL GREETED WITH ENTHUSIASM

WOODSTOCK, N. B., Sept. 27.—The hall at Middle Simonds was filled last evening to overflowing, many being unable to get even standing room, at the Liberal rally addressed by F. B. Carvell and others. Major G. D. Parsons acted as chairman and introduced Hon. W. P. Jones as the first speaker, who, in an address of nearly an hour, compared the Laurier administration with that of its predecessors, and severely scolded the Hazen government for its broken pledges, increased expenditure and higher taxation.

W. Burton Morrison followed in a brief speech, emphasizing the personal qualities of Sir Wilfrid Laurier, whom he declared to be the Canadian Glengarry, a man without the taint of wrongdoing either in public or private life.

F. B. Carvell, M. P., was accorded an enthusiastic reception and responded with a short address dealing with the leading issues of the campaign. Mr. Carvell was in great form and made an excellent impression.

Short speeches followed from George W. Upham, Frank Hagerman, Warden Frank R. Shaw, and the chairman, after which the meeting broke up.

Simonds always has been a Conservative stronghold, but things are multiplying in the direction of at least an even break this time. Cheering reports are coming from the upper reaches of York, adjoining Carleton. At Carleton Place and North Lake, where solicitor-general McLeod and O. S. Crockett spent a part of the week going from house to house, the indications are that Brown will have a thumping majority, although last winter the Conservatives carried both parishes.

MONTREAL, Sept. 27.—Miss Margery Robertson, daughter of James M. Robertson, of the Thos. Robertson Company, met with a horrible death Saturday evening. The family are still occupying their summer residence at Tremontville, on the lake shore. Miss Robertson, it appears, was a somnambulist. Late Saturday evening she was discovered to be missing from the house. Search was at once instituted for her and she was soon found lying in a dying condition beside the C. P. R. tracks, which run some distance in the rear of the house. She was clad only in her night dress and slippers. She was removed to the Royal Victoria Hospital in this city, but died without recovering consciousness. She was 23 years of age and was engaged to be married in the near future to Charles Shearer of Montreal.

## FOUND DYING BESIDE TRACK