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Author of "The Surge of War" (London Magazine, Evesleigh Month, 1906; "Parson Grant" (Evesleigh Month, 1907).

Continued. But were the tidings exaggerated or not, it was determined that nothing should be left undone that might ensure the safety of my charge, and well aware that an act of treachery on the part of some inmate of the castle might render our precautions futile, on satisfying myself of the security of the outer walls I summoned the Countesses' retainers in the upper court. Having informed them of the intelligence I had received that morning, with which I had reason to suspect they were already familiar, I assured them that the castle would be defended to the utmost extremity, and that in the event of my suspecting any of holding should take the with the enemy. I then proceeded to a re- petition of the offence. In silence they went about their business, and I felt confident that I had little to fear from any of my Austrian retainers. There only remained the ladies of von Rohn, and my task I knew was not a light one. An ill-chosen word might arouse their old antagonism which I hoped had been mollified in some degree by the events of the past three days. From the change in the Countess Inez' manner, I argued that she had heard from the Spaniards of the details of her cousin's visit to my chamber on the eve of his flight from Rohn.

Younger bent, red-eyed and sobbing upon a low, broad-couch. It was plain that some difference lay between them, nor was I long in doubt as to its nature. "It is false," the Countess Elise was protesting, as I entered, "I will not believe it, nor shall thou." "But Leon has pledged me his word," rejoined her sister calmly, "and besides this—"

How Leon de Cortugas had persuaded her of the truth of the tale I had told him was beyond me, as was the strange influence he had held over her, but I felt confident that she had the fullest knowledge of von Wegan's treachery to herself and her sister. As for the Lady Elise, I could but set down the ill-will she bore me to the shock of her parting with the Count. Beguiled by a smiling tone, and attracted by a courtly bearing and polished manner, knowing little of the world or even of her own heart, she had yielded to his protests of devotion and mared by the very treachery of which he had so falsely boasted, had looked on him as the light of a hero who would sacrifice rank and prospect of honour in the Austrian service, nay, risk life itself for the sake of the Bavarian cause. And now when my occupation of the castle might be threatened at any moment, could I rely on those Countesses' neutrality, or would they either of themselves or by one or another of their servants, seek to communicate with my foe? Their hatred for our cause was bitter, their longing for our discomfiture ill-concealed, nor could I forget that the Countesses had refused me their parole, nay, instead, had threatened to work me such harm as opportunity might put in their power.

"Sister," said she the note of sorrow was gone, "I cannot read thy moods. Nor rhyme, nor reason can I see in thy conduct, at one moment a friend is an enemy, at another an enemy a friend. Ye all bid me and cold in a breath—thou, other and Leon."

Heaven be my witness, from the first I would have lived in peace with the sisters. I had pitied their helplessness, had done tribute to the bold face they had set to their misfortune, for the sake of their hearts and fortunes, unchangeable. And then I had fallen beneath a subtler spell, the spell of the trusting eyes and winning smile, of the gentle nature and the soft low speech of the younger sister. As Her Majesty had warned me, so it had fallen out, and the return of my enemy, the return of my eyes had been opened my dreams of jealousy had overshadowed my soul. After had followed revenge, sudden as it was, the discomfit, ladies, but the price of victory was high, though my conduct might find some justification in the eyes of von Rohn, her sister's dislike for me, and my rule it seemed, was increased a thousandfold.

"And thy pleasure, Captain Lesly?" Inquired she as the sweep of her sister's skirts died in the doorway. "Taking heart of grace, I plunged into the matter that had brought me to that chamber. "Sit thee down, Captain Lesly," said she, pointing to the further end of the high-backed settle on which she sat, "this is news indeed."

It was with little confidence that I sought the southern quarter of the building, and it added not a whit to my countenance when I found the Countesses alone together, the elder standing, silent in the window recess, the

Halifax, N. S., April 15.—The C. P. R. steamship Mount Temple that was stranded on Ironbound Island at the mouth of the La Have river December 2 was floated today and proceeded under her own steam to the eastward, probably anchoring in Moses harbor. For four months and a half the Mount Temple has been on the rocks and to get her off the Halifax Salvage Association have, during the most of this time, been at work upon her, with a force of thirty men and having expended in the venture between \$25,000 and \$30,000. The steamer was valued at more than \$400,000 before she struck and it is probable that \$50,000 in repairs will put her in quite as good condition as she was before the wreck. The ship had been abandoned to the underwriters and the terms of the contract with the salvage association were that they and the underwriters would divide her value equally.

OVERSEAS MAIL SERVICE WILL BE CONTINUED

Ottawa, April 15.—The dominion government has succeeded in inducing the British government to reconsider its first decision to withdraw from the present agreement with Canada regarding the payment of subsidies to the C. P. R. now given for the Overseas mail service to China and Japan through Canada. Under the agreement, which expires shortly, the imperial government has been supplementing Canada's subsidy by an annual grant of \$23,000. Through representations of Sir Charles Cavert and the government here the British authorities are now disposed to continue the subsidy, if not in whole, in a large part, instead of stopping it entirely, as was their original intention.

E. N. RHODES CONSERVATIVE CHOICE IN CUMBERLAND

Amherst, April 15.—One of the largest and most enthusiastic political conventions held in this country for the purpose of nominating a candidate in the Liberal-Conservative interests at the next Dominion election. Every district in the county was represented. The chair was occupied by C. R. Smith, K.C. The only name presented to the convention was that of Edgar N. Rhodes, barrister-at-law. The nomination was unanimous. Mr. Rhodes, on entering the convention, was greeted by the resolutions were passed expressing the confidence of the party in R. L. Borden.

MARY LUNENBURG MARINERS LOST

Three Known Dead from One Vessel, and Fears Are entertained for the Safety of Thirteen Others. Lunenburg, N. S., April 15.—Three men lost to life so far gathered by the sea from the Lunenburg fishing fleet, the schooner Acadia, and Bernard Knickle and James Leary of the Ronald G. Smith, Captain Joe Smith, are the unfortunate men to lose their lives. The fleet has only been away about three weeks.

"SLEEPING BEAUTY" A GORGEOUS NICKEL FEATURE

Holy Land Pictures; Music and Drama Also—Big Holiday Bill. Those who were kept away from the Nickel by the rain last evening missed one of the most entrancing entertainments given in that big picture house for a good long while. Grandeur having embellishment, simply run riot in the spectacular presentation of Sleeping Beauty, that familiar fairy story picture, but it is a picture of interest and fascination. This picture is a whole reel in length and beyond words in beauty.

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There was a meeting of the St. John country branch of the N. B. Temperance Federation last night in the W. C. T. U. rooms. The object was chiefly to get acquainted with the new officers. Only routine business was transacted. E. M. Sippel was in the chair.

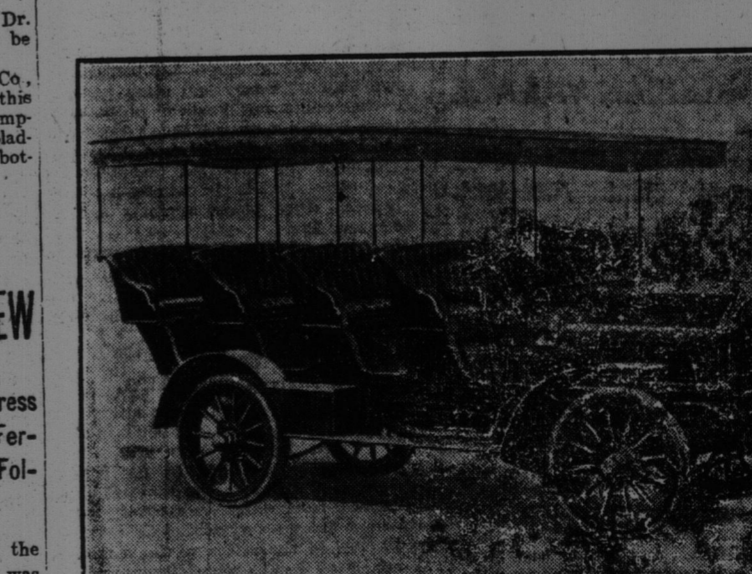
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ELECTION CARDS.

To the Electors of the City of St. John: Ladies and Gentlemen: Having been tendered the unsolicited support of a large number of ratepayers, I have decided to accept nomination for the Mayoralty and trust I will receive your endorsement. If elected, I will endeavor to give you safe, progressive and business-like administration.

To the Electors of Queens Ward: Ladies and Gentlemen: At the solicitation of a large number of the Electors, I have decided to offer as a candidate for Alderman in this ward. If returned, I shall exercise my judgment to the best of my ability to assist in giving the city good government, and I, therefore, most respectfully solicit your support. Yours truly, GEO. A. HETHERINGTON.

Alderman At Large: Ladies and Gentlemen: At the solicitation of a large number of the electors of the city I have decided to offer as a candidate for Alderman-at-large in the coming civic election, to be held on the 21st inst. If elected, I will do all in my power to promote the best interests of the city. Yours respectfully, JOHN SIMS.

Alderman At Large: Ladies and Gentlemen: I will be a candidate at the coming Civic Election, to be held Tuesday, April 21st, for the position of Alderman at Large. If you favor me with your vote and influence, I shall, if elected, endeavor to administer the affairs of the city in a straightforward business manner. Respectfully yours, CHARLES A. CLARK.

Alderman-AT-LARGE: Ladies and Gentlemen: At the solicitation of a large number of the ratepayers of the city, I have consented to be a candidate for Alderman-at-Large in the coming civic election. If elected, I will do my utmost to have the business of the city conducted as economically as the needs of the city will permit. Yours respectfully, W. E. SULLIVAN.

To the Electors of the City of St. John: Ladies and Gentlemen: At the solicitation of a large number of the ratepayers I will again be a candidate for Alderman-at-Large. If once more returned I will endeavor to work for the best interests of the city. Respectfully, H. L. MCGOWAN.

To the Electors of Duke's Ward: Ladies and Gentlemen: I will be a candidate at the coming election for Alderman of Duke's Ward. I cannot see you personally before election day, but will assure you that, if elected, my circular sent to each voter will be my platform for the coming year, and, while especially interested in Duke's Ward, the general interests of the city will not be overlooked. Hoping to have your support, I am, Your obedient servant, FRANK LESLIE POTTS.

To the Electors of Prince Ward: Ladies and Gentlemen: At the solicitation of a large number of the electors of this ward, I have again decided to offer as a candidate for Alderman, and as in the past, if elected, will do all in my power for the best interests of the city. Respectfully soliciting your support, I remain, Yours truly, JAMES SPROUL.

To the Electors of Prince Ward: Ladies and Gentlemen: At the solicitation of a largely signed requisition of the Electors I have consented to be a candidate for Alderman in this ward. Should I be elected, I will use my best efforts to see that the business of the city is properly administered. Hoping to be favored with your support, I am, Yours respectfully, JOHN F. MOHRISON.

To the Electors of King's Ward: Ladies and Gentlemen: At the earnest solicitation of a large number of the ratepayers of this ward, I have again decided to offer as candidate for the office of Alderman, and I respectfully solicit your support. Yours faithfully, J. B. HAMM.

To the Electors of King's Ward: Ladies and Gentlemen: Yielding to the request of many of the electors to offer for the Aldermanship of King's Ward, I will be a candidate for that office on Tuesday next, April 21st. If elected, I will endeavor to give close and careful attention to the city's business. Faithfully yours, TIMOTHY O'BRIEN.

To the Electors of Queen's Ward: Ladies and Gentlemen: At the earnest solicitation of a large number of the Electors of Queen's Ward I have consented to be a candidate for Alderman of the ward at the election to be held on the 21st inst. If elected, I will do all in my power for the good and economic government of the city. Respectfully yours, AMON A. WILSON.

To the Electors of Landsdowne Ward: Ladies and Gentlemen: I will be a candidate for alderman of this ward on Tuesday, April 21st. As I cannot see all the electors in the ward, I take this opportunity of soliciting your support on that date, and if elected will endeavor to look after the interests of the city and the many needs of the ward to the best of my ability. Thanking you in anticipation, I remain, Yours respectfully, A. M. ROWAN.

To the Electors of Guys Ward: Ladies and Gentlemen: At the solicitation of a number of the ratepayers of the ward I have again decided to be a candidate for the ward this year, and if elected will do all in my power to further the interests of the city.

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