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The Midnight Guest
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(Continued.)
 "I understand," the Countess resumed, "it was a misunderstanding. You had traced Lord Ravenspur to the studio. You were going to kill him there. Only Mr. Delahay and myself interrupted you, waiting for your opportunity, when we arrived. You did not see us, you were not aware of anything till the lights were out. I may make errors in details, but in the main I am quite correct. Now, don't try and talk a not in sufficient. When Mr. Delahay returned to the studio, after Lord Ravenspur was driven away, and after I had gone, you were in the studio. You mistook Mr. Delahay for Lord Ravenspur, and killed him with a glass Coricain dagger. You did not know till you saw the papers the next day that you had made a mistake."
 Silvia nodded again. He did not appear to feel the least remorse, but his hungry eyes testified how he regretted that he had so signally failed. The old wild spirit was still there, even the approach of death could not quench it. Ravenspur turned away, filled with disgust and sadness.
 "Really, there is nothing more to be said," he murmured. "I should like to put the heads of the confession down and get the unhappy man to sign it."
 Silvia asked a straggling signature to the confession. Then he turned over on his side and refused to listen any more. Evidently he was going to die as he had lived—hard, unfeeling, carrying his bitter hatred to the grave.
 "According to his lights," Ravenspur murmured, "let us hope that he will be judged too harshly where he is going so soon."
 CHAPTER XLVI
 A Woman's Heart.

The hard, cold face had softened slightly. It seemed to Ravenspur that there was something akin to a smile in Countess Flavio's eyes when once more they were alone in the drawing-room together. "Let us try and forget the dreadful scene," she said, "as I will try and forget a hard, misunderstood life mine has been."
 "It must have been terrible," Ravenspur exclaimed, "and yet there was not a man in Europe for whom I had a higher regard than I had for your husband. To me he was the soul of honor. I always have seen him do the most spontaneous acts of kindness to strangers. It seemed hard to think that he was wholly bad."
 "He was an enigma," the Countess replied. "In his brain lay a curious vein of madness, which vented itself upon me. No one else suffered, and, indeed, no one knew that I suffered, with the solitary exception of that poor lost soul who is lying at death's door upstairs. When I had cut myself off entirely from my own flesh and blood, Silvia followed me. From the first he began to see how I was suffering. From the first he began to entertain a malignant hatred of my husband."
 "And finally poisoned him," Ravenspur suggested.
 "Ah, there you are wrong," the Countess exclaimed. "With all the earnestness in my power I want to impress upon you that my husband poisoned himself. As you have been informed, for generations there had been a feud between the Descartins and my husband's family. After my marriage it would have been an easy matter for my father to summon some of his retainers, and command them to avenge the honor and dignity of the family. My father chose not to do it. He was satisfied with the solemn assurance that only one child of his remained. The summons was sent out by Silvia. He did not tell me. I did not know in the least what he was doing till afterwards. But the sign went forth, and my husband received his warning. There was no escape for him, and he knew it. That is why

Fashion Hint for Times Readers



THE FASHIONABLE BEACH TOILETTE.
 The bathing parasol is a new and striking feature of the bathing toilette this summer. Women noted for their exclusiveness in fashion and daring to brave the comments of beach critics carry sunshades into the water or along the beach in order to protect their complexion from the sun. The parasol is being made in the suit in color, though it need not carry the same trimming that the suit does. Magpie combinations in suits are as popular as ever, black and white striped silk being used as trimmings on black taffetas and moiré suits.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS

HUNTLEY STOCK CO. NEXT WEEK
 The Huntley Stock Company will open a three-day engagement at Opera House on Monday, July 27th, and will present as their initial offering the beautiful play, "Hazel Kirke."
 The company is headed by James H. Huntley and Miss Sadie Hilton, who will be seen in the leading roles. Mr. Huntley has been catering to the popular priced amusement seekers for a great many years, and it has always been his aim to present the very best material obtainable in the theatrical market, both in plays and players.
 Supporting Mr. Huntley and Miss Hilton are the following well known players: J. Angus Gustam, Lee Miller, Thos. H. Cullen, Lawrence Conover, James P. Taylor, Richard McCutcheon, Anna MacNaughton, Ida Ellis, Florence Bell and Josephine Seabrook.
 Popular prices will prevail during the engagement, which promises to be one of the dramatic events of the season.

ALDERMEN WANT INFORMATION FIRST

Board of Works Will Get It Before Concluding an Arrangement With the St. John Railway Co. as to Street Work.
 After a discussion lasting an hour and a half the board of works, assisted by the four aldermen-at-large, decided last evening that they wanted more information as to the cost of keeping the streets in repair before coming to a conclusion with regard to the offer of the St. John Railway Company to pay \$12,000 a year for ten years in lieu of doing the work. A suggestion by Ald. Scully that the street railway pay the actual cost of the work plus 10 per cent. for management met with considerable support.
 The offer of Clark & Adams to place additional hard pine stringers and fenders to the new wharf for which they are contractors at \$10,000 was accepted. It was decided to call for tenders for placing ten feet of curb work for a length of 200 feet outside the Charlotte street extension wharf.
 A communication from H. D. Forbes, acting for W. V. Hatfield, asking for payment of \$240 for a retaining wall and agreeing to give a release for twenty-one years was filed. It was explained by the common clerk that all releases given to the city were in perpetuity.
 At the request of Ald. Kelley, the chairman, Ald. Pickett and the director will report on the question of replacing the plank sidewalk in Sealy street with a curb and cinder path.
 In reply to Ald. Baskin the street superintendent said the asphalt plant might be expected in Carleton about the middle of August.
 The chairman, Ald. Pickett and the director were requested to look into a suggestion of Ald. Kelley's to make an experimental roadbed composed of stone chips and tar.
 On motion of Ald. Rowan, tenders were recommended for 200 feet of curb work ten feet wide to be placed at the outer end of Charlotte street extension to support the street and wharf. The estimated cost was about \$6,000. The board then adjourned.

PROHIBITIONISTS COMMUNE
 Columbus, Ohio, July 15.—The prohibition national convention, which met here today, worked under a temporary organization throughout its two sessions, hearing a report from the committee appointed to select its permanent officers.
 The committee on permanent organization will report tomorrow morning, and Professor Charles Scanlon, of Pittsburgh, one of the numerous candidates for the presidency, will be named as the permanent chairman.
 The presidential nomination is still open and there has been no marked concentration in favor of any candidate. It was agreed early today that the nomination could be had by Scaborn Wright of Georgia, if he would express a willingness to accept it.
 The name of Joshua Levering, of Maryland, who was the nominee in 1896, was strongly favored by many, but the friends of Mr. Levering were not disposed to push his candidacy unless he were assured in advance of the nomination.

SENT TO THE ROCKIES FOR HEALTH, RETURNED HOME TO DIE.

The following should inspire every one who is discouraged on account of continued ill health to give Psychine, THE GREATEST OF TONICS, a trial before giving up hope even though physician and friends think and say your case is hopeless. Mr. Alex. McKee, of Sault Ste Marie, says:—"I was falling every day and had to quit work. I lost 40 lbs. in a short time and was advised to go to the Rockies or the Coast. I tried them both with considerable expense but I got worse instead of better. All hope seemed to leave me and I decided to come home to die. I tried Psychine and since starting its use I have gained from 110 to 141 pounds. I am now a well man and I cannot say too much in praise of Psychine. The strongest recommendation would be in view of the fact that I believe it has saved my life. It is without doubt the best remedy for run-down conditions and weak lungs. I sincerely hope that you will continue your good work of saving run-down people and consumptive from the grave. Psychine improves the appetite and generally tones up the system. We would like every family to try it FREE (see coupon)."

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REPORTS SHOW A SUCCESSFUL YEAR
 Annual Meeting of Home For Incumbents Held Yesterday Afternoon—Good Balance On Hand.

The annual meeting of the members of the Home for Incumbents was held yesterday afternoon. Mrs. John A. McAvity's report of the Woman's Aid Committee states that the year's work has been very satisfactory. The treasurer's report shows a balance of \$274. The Sunday services have increased in interest. The committee feel grateful to the clergy of the city, who address the meetings. Through the efforts of the ladies of the committee, treats and entertainments have been given and much enjoyed.
 The report of J. V. Ellis, treasurer, showed that last year's balance on hand was \$2,894.28; there had been received from annual subscribers \$23; from paying patients, \$1,485.25; donations, \$32.50; and interest, \$3,710.02, a total of \$7,486.15. There had been expended for maintenance, \$4,065.46; for wages, \$1,918.40; and the balance on hand amounted to \$1,502.29.
 The total resources of the institution in investments and current accounts are \$9,445.41.
 The stock of the Gold King Mining Company, bequeathed by the late C. F. Kinneer, is still in the hands of the treasurer, who did not estimate its value. The treasurer expressed his appreciation of the courtesy and kindness shown by the Bank of New Brunswick, through its president, James Manchester, its general manager, R. B. Kessen, and its local manager, Arthur McDonald.
 The auditors, John Sealy and W. Rupert Turnbull, report the books correct. The medical board in their report referred to the death of Dr. J. H. Scammell, who was pathologist to the home.
 In March last the matron, Miss Mason, resigned her position and was succeeded by Miss Ramsey, who at that time was head nurse in the institution.
 During the year nine patients have been admitted to the home, four have died and twenty-eight remain under care and treatment.
 The following officers have been elected for the ensuing year—Dr. Stewart Skinner, president; Dr. J. C. Mott, secretary.
 During the year the members of the committee of their report covering the year's work make a strong plea for financial aid for the institution.
 James S. Gregory was elected as a member of the board of directors in place of the late Dr. J. H. Scammell. The remaining members were re-elected. Votes of thanks to the president and to the visiting doctors and to the Bank of New Brunswick were passed.

PERSONALS

Miss Frances Smith, who has been for nearly two years in California and other western places, returned home yesterday. Charles T. Pidgou, of the customs, has been granted three months' leave of absence. He and his daughter, Miss Emily C. school teacher at Fairville, have left for a trip to England.
 Miss Gussie White, of Winnipeg, is visiting Mrs. T. Fred Powers, Princess street.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Trites, of Fredericton, were in St. John yesterday on their way home after wedding trip to Philadelphia, New York and Boston.
 Mrs. J. W. Goulet and three daughters, of Doucette avenue, have gone to St. Martin for the summer.
 Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Trites, of Salisbury, were at the Royal yesterday.
 Mrs. Jack W. Brown arrived from Montreal yesterday on a visit to her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Brennan.

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HOT SHOT FOR SIR WILFRID

Le Nationalist Comments on Separation of Provincial and Federal Politics.
 The statement made some time since that many of his partisans will find Sir Wilfrid Laurier's conversion too late and too interested. We would not, in fact, be at all surprised to see many of Mr. Bourassa's partisans make common cause against Sir Wilfrid's candidates at the coming elections. They would have certainly remained neutral if Sir Wilfrid Laurier had remained neutral himself during the last provincial campaign. It will no doubt be very difficult to paralyze the Prime Minister for having trampled under feet in order to harm Mr. Bourassa, the principles which he exalts today.
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 The death of Richard E. Tynes, eldest son of Robert Tynes, occurred yesterday at the residence of his father, 111 Broad street, after an illness lasting several months. Mr. Tynes, who was formerly employed with T. McAvity & Sons, Ltd., was thirty years of age. Besides his father and mother, he leaves his wife and one daughter, also one brother, William, and three sisters—Miss Alice, and Annie, all residing at home.
 W. J. Mahoney, state deputy of the Knights of Columbus, has appointed Hon. John Morrissey district deputy for New Brunswick; F. P. Hayden, Halifax, district deputy for Nova Scotia, and J. M. Hughes, of Charlottetown, district deputy for Prince Edward Island.

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 J. W. Arnold, maritime representative of John Taylor & Company, Toronto, has returned to the city.