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had a lover. Perhaps aggerated his age. an Foster thought it wo great drawback if the powerful and rich. rather ambitious than Her plans, however, business, and he felt no liked Carmen and had for her abilities, but would sooner not marr she were willing, whi improbable. Since he to take the packet. h and say nothing about He left the hall early home found his partn the stove. "Was Daly at Featherstone asked. Foster said he was Featherstone resumed "It's curious he hasn't mill vet, but if he does fore Thursday, he'll be be ready to start wit afternoon train, and use in spoiling a good dollars. I'll buy a ticl my baggage to Ottaw get off at Streeton I won't have long to west-bound train's on express my things on, The Montreal express s hour.' CHAPTER The First Adv It was about ten o' and the Montreal through the lonely for Ontario. The train there were few passen and the road was by out in spite of the jol joyed his cigarette the smoking compart end of a car. A colou told him his berth in ready. 'Featherstone train, and most of were already in bed. not want to follow ther a time, he had done. and was on his way t relished the unusual dom A half-moon shone d rugged wilderness, and the black pines rush pa-lurched and he heard t motive snort on the and then there was sped across a bridge glimmering among the terwards the roar ady clatter and a of wheels. The car

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the Crossing, but the there hardly seemed visit. It was possible an encuse for watch stone, but Foster fan men knew more about confessed.

"Perhaps you will before you come back,' and by.

"It's possible. Featl lations live near the B "Then I dare say yo packet for me to Edinl "Of course." said Fo some surprise, and t saw this although she

gratefully. "I know you'll take you don't ask questi wonder why I want to Well, the girls are inq post office, and I'm packet to a man. Besid like it damager, and times get broken in th Foster said this o and hinted that the tunate, but Carmen "Oh." she said. "he' father; we have friend Country. But there reasons secret about the matte

want anybody but you packet.' "Very well; but I Customs searchers,

your baggage, are ficious. They might th "No; they wouldn't You have such a carely cent look. For all that,

know you can be trust "Thank you! I suppo because one meets plooks are against the I'll take the packet, protect it with my life.' "It won's be necessa answered, smiling, and talked about other mat minutes before she tol this was tactful poli did not want to dismiss after obtaining her obj He danced one or tw other partners and keenly. His work was the winter, and after toil of the last ten y new and exhibarating feel at liberty. Then reason he should den pleasure he expected his trip. Their small i adapted for the suppl kinds of lumber, for wh

now not much demand, not enough money while business would again until the spring By and by he went ing-room and lighting thought over what Car to him. At first she anxious to find out so Featherstone, but he prised by this. Carr know as much as everybody she met. knowledge cleverly her advantage. The was more puzzling and why she wanted to s