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The Emerald of Kandahar

At last came the terrible day when she gave Arthur their last scrap of food without a prospect of being able to give a morsel more. Clothes, trinkets, cash, chairs—everything, in short, that was movable—had been sold or pawned, the last of all to go being the green stone in the hideous setting, which formed such a contrast to the other presents that Arthur had made her, but to which she seemed, for some sentimental reason, to cling above the rest; perhaps for the same reason that makes a girl prefer her dainty doll, perhaps because it had in former days been a playmate, a martyr in the troubles that she had undergone for the giver's sake. But for the giver's sake, though with many tears, she had had to part even with this a day or two since, and being a hand at a bargain, had pledged it as a negotiable pawnbroker's for a number of shillings that very likely represented its apparent value, but were shillings did not remain long in her hands; and then there remained for her nothing more.

Yes, she had given Arthur their last morsel, actual or prospective, nor had she shared it with him. It was now midnight. Her husband was tossing about in the restlessness of fever, and she herself was sitting shivering upon the floor, listening to his tossing and to his broken words, and furiously stitching at a cambric shirt by the light of a single flaring tallow-candle. The atmosphere was terribly close and yet miserably cold; and then the noises that are silent by day but awake when the sleeping world is silent, especially in a sick chamber, were enough to fill with terror the mind of one whose nerves were so painfully strung to their highest pitch as hers. It was not the scrambling of the mice behind the wainscot, though that, as those who have watched her well know, had enough; but a separate ghost seemed to glide in and out of the plank of the floor, into the doors, into the windows, into the chimney, till each of these took a ghastly life of its own that found expression in starts and creaks and groans. It was not the matter for wonder what is the reason of this peculiarity of the night in bringing into dead life the things that are but the reason is simple: it is that there must always be a certain amount of vitality awake in the world, and that that which leaves ourselves during the hours of darkness must seek for a temporary home elsewhere, and that our own half-sleeping life we hear around us when we listen to these audible, though invisible, writhings of our selves, it is this that endows them with their undefined power of terrifying, which belongs to nothing more actual, danger, and yet are overcome with panic at their own shadow when it makes itself audible in the creaking of a chair.

For her part, however, Felicia went on stitching and stitching, and was not in the least inclined to sleep, for she had come to such a pass that chronic wakefulness had become a habit, and a habit, so that she could scarcely have slept now even if she had tried. Every now and then, in spite of her attention to her work, she gave a start when the naked boards indulged in a louder crack than usual, or when a shadow to absorb herself in her task too deeply, for, while she strained her eyes over her stitches, she had no less to strain her ears to catch the least sound that might pass through the open door of the adjoining bedroom. Her great and real fear was lest the flare of the candle should gutter down into its socket before she had finished her task, which had to be completed by the next morning. There were just two inches of candle there, and she was sure that she was so cold that her fingers were almost numb, though she was sure that she was so cold that her fingers were almost numb, though she was sure that she was so cold that her fingers were almost numb.

THE WORLD OF SPORTS.

BASEBALL

DETROIT FREE PRESS. The Griswold meeting look about the time that Ban Johnson, Postel and Loftus were circulating about, saying "good-day." The veteran, Sam Thompson, was much evidence, and Scheibeck, last season's Cleveland and Siever, of the Detroit team, were among the well-known in American circles who were in attendance. Scheibeck has not yet left and is here for the winter. He is pretty sure to catch on somewhere before spring.

Siever's name does not adorn a Detroit contract, and chances that it will appear to be slighted now. There is a difference between him and the club on the matter of salary, each having named a figure. Between the two sums there is a wide gap. The club people have not approached the twister since they announced \$2,100 to be the limit they would offer for his services. Siever says that money will be paid, but has declined to attempt to induce the magnates to discuss a splitting of the difference. There are several National League clubs at the moment, and one offer, at least, is considerable in excess of that of Detroit. Siever is sure that with proper sighted in the offering, it is wise to get down quickly on the fastest contract that offers.

QUARRELING WILL NOT HURT THE GAME

Tom Loftus is satisfied with the American League, and he was nothing more can better than the present berth he occupies with the club at Washington. A friend asked him yesterday as he was eating breakfast with Fred Postel, if he thought the present row of the National League magnates would hurt the game generally.

"Not at all," replied Loftus. "People know what the American League is, and because the National is scrapping is not reason to suppose that the public will not come to us. The old league can't do any more to hurt the game than it has already done. It is a matter of continual turmoil, and if it had not been for the American League they would have killed baseball in this country by this time."

The present trouble is not the first. Every year is the same thing, only this time a few men seem to have the right idea and are trying to ward off the destruction that they see coming. Last year it was a wordy discussion between Brush and Col. Rogers; but it is always something, its meetings are always long and drawn-out, with everybody trying to knife everybody else.

"Am I glad to be only of it? Well, I should say so. The only reason I ever left Chicago was because the towns were dead ones. Columbus didn't pay. The Grand Rapids is no place for a man to expect to make much money. No more National League for me. I'm going to stick mighty close. Detroit News."

FISTIC.

DETROIT A DEAD ONE. There will be no more boxing contests or prize fights in Detroit under the management of the Twentieth Century Athletic Club this winter, says the Detroit News. This decision was reached last night after Messrs. McMullen and O'Brien had examined the receipts of the Cherry-Carroll fight and found that they were about \$100 to the bad. The club is in the opening of the season. Matchmaker Osborne has been sent to the managers of the McGovern-Sullivan bout that the club is no longer open for the little fighter.

TURF.

New Orleans, Dec. 20.—Favorites won four of the races on yesterday's card. Garter Dan won the third race at the long price of 50 to 1, without backing. Weather clear, track fast. Summary: First race, selling, 5 furlongs—Boom-

crack 1. Death 2. Little Jack Horner 3. Time, 1:21.
Second race, 5 furlongs, selling—Marc Belle 1. Ladylike 2. Lady Broadway 3. Time, 1:03.
Third race, 1 1/4 miles, selling—Garter Dan 1. Monks 2. Jaxwood 3. Time, 1:35.
Fourth race, 7 furlongs—Bemilcoln 1. Fleuron 2. Johnnie McCarthy 3. Time, 1:28.
Fifth race, 1 1/4 miles, selling, Trebor 1. King Steele 2. Gov. Boyd 3. Time, 1:37.
Sixth race, 1 mile—Imp Mint Sauce 1. Fiederich 2. Free Pass 3. Time, 1:40.

YACHTING.

THE KING AND LIPTON.

London, Dec. 19.—Sir Thomas Lipton, in the long interview which he had with King Edward yesterday, at which the America's cup races were minutely discussed, unfolded his plans for the future. His Majesty exhibited the keenest interest in them, and at times offered suggestions. He expressed the opinion that it would be very hard to go to sea to beat the Americans, to which Sir Thomas replied that he was at least convinced that he could secure a yacht a good deal better than the Shamrock II. When Sir Thomas had finished explaining his plans, the King, who King appeared to be satisfied, and heartily wished him success. Sir Thomas Lipton also commented on the King's friendly comments on the King and on England, which formed the gist of conversation between Sir Thomas and Mr. Roosevelt while the former was in the United States. The King, who was much pleased. In turn he told Sir Thomas how greatly he admired President Roosevelt's personality, which, unfortunately, he only knew by hearsay. The King's interest in the preparations for building another challenger for the cup, which are believed to be already on foot.

HOCKEY.

PRACTICE GAME. The Tecumsehs and the London W. O. H. A. team will hold a practice tonight at 7:30. The game will be held at the W. O. H. A. rink, and will be a large attendance. A new outside team is being arranged, and a meeting will be held to elect a delegate to the next meeting of the W. O. H. A.

Happenings of the Hour.

Cleveland firemen rescued seven persons from a burning boarding-house at 104 Brownell street.

The Atlantic Rubber Shoe Company, capital \$100,000, was incorporated at Trenton, N. J., on Thursday.

Hon. A. G. Blair, was too ill to be able to present at Tuesday's meeting of the railway committee of the Privy Council at Ottawa.

The board of geographic nomenclature met at Ottawa yesterday and decided upon the correct spelling of a number of place names in Canada.

The National Bank of North America, New York City, is to absorb the Bank of the State of New York. Phenix National may be included.

The Christmas examinations of the Law Society opened today at Toronto. The number of candidates is 47 on the first year, and 55 on the third year.

The diaries, letters and manuscripts of James K. Polk, comprising all the known writings, have been purchased by the Chicago Historical Society for \$2,500.

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The Colonial Brewing Company, of New York, made an assignment today for the benefit of creditors. The company was incorporated in 1897 with a capital of \$1,200,000.

The sale of a New York Stock Exchange seat for \$75,000 is reported to have been made yesterday. This is the highest price on record for the last two sales having been \$71,000.

Dr. G. Carlton Jones, surgeon-major of Halifax, has been appointed second in command of Hospital Field Corps going to South Africa. He is a son of Lieutenant-Governor Jones.

Peter Craig, who escaped from the Windsor police station, was brought back from Ann Arbor, Mich., Wednesday night by Sgt. Nash, and is now confined in the Sandwich jail.

The Presbytery of Lindsay yesterday accepted the resignation of Rev. J. M. Dunlop, B. D., of Windsor, who has been appointed associate editor of the Presbyterian Sunday school publications.

The new Victoria Asylum for the Insane at Cobourg will be ready for occupation immediately after Christmas. In the following week about 75 patients will be transferred to the new asylum.

Michigan men have decided on the incorporation of a \$250,000 company to absolutely control the hardwood lumber market in the state and all the mills on the Michigan side of the great lakes.

Delegations representing the Gardeners' Associations of Ontario and Quebec met at Ottawa and waited on Messrs. Paterson and Fielding, asking for higher duties on importations from the United States.

Joseph Kaufman, the professional shoplifter, who operates in large stores in Toronto and Hamilton, and dis-

posed of his goods in Buffalo, was sentenced by Judge Snider, at Montreal, to three years in the penitentiary.

John Duncan, son of the leader of the New Eve Colony, Windsor, who ran away from the colony about two months ago, was married on Wednesday to Louisa Courts, daughter of Eliza Courts, consort of Prince Mike.

The suit of Thomas Standing, a C. P. R. employee, who is claiming damages for injuries received in an accident near Claremont, in which a hand car of which he was an occupant was run down, was settled out of court, for \$500.

A new York syndicate, headed by Dr. William Seward Webb, son-in-law of W. H. Vanderbilt, will build the finest hotel in the city on the southwest corner of Fifth avenue and Forty-fourth street. It will have 400 guest rooms.

Toronto police are taking action against "Dr." Ezra Glasco, 15 Ann street, and Mrs. J. Loveday, 403 Clin street, Toronto, on a charge of obtaining money under false pretences. It is stated that they have been soliciting the payment of a dollar to join the Radiant Business Success Circle or

the Radiant Health Circle. Circulars, which, it is alleged, they sent out to boom these "circles," contain extraordinary statements as to the benefits to be obtained by a magic "word," of which Glasco was possessed.

The director of colonization at Toronto has received word from the Ontario immigration agent at Liverpool, to the effect that many English girls are anxious to come to the Dominion as domestic servants. Many young English farmers are also desirous of settling here.

Leonard Dean, contractor of the Hartford, Boston, Belton and Wilsonville mail route, had in his employ a young man named Nove Jackson, aged 18, who has driven the mail between these places for some time past. Late-ly he has been suspected of robbing the mails. He was arrested, confessed, convicted on his own evidence, and was sentenced to three years in Kingston Penitentiary.

At Toronto, Justice Lount ordered the winding up of the Decca Chemical Consolidated, Mining Company of Ontario, with its head office at Ottawa. The mines of the company are in the Rainy River district.

James Martin, who was on Wednesday, at Ottawa, sentenced to eight years in Kingston for burglary, has confessed that he was implicated in a big robbery in Paris, France, last summer, and he has told where a large amount of the booty is hidden. The information was given to a Pinkerton detective.

LOST A \$5,000 DOG. Winnipeg, Man., Dec. 20.—V. H. G. Pickering, of Minnedosa, lost his famous deerhound, "Scamp," while the dog was on its way to a Philadelphia dog show. Through some mistake the dog kennel was placed under a pile of stumps, and the animal starved to death.

NEW STEEL WORKS. Toronto, Dec. 20.—It is announced that the Canadian Steel and Wire Company, capital \$2,000,000, is to be incorporated in Hamilton. The incorporators are L. F. Heyd, K.C., Toronto; John Herbert Coult, Toronto; George D. Heyd, and Robert F. Schell, Brantford, and Harriet McVean, Toronto. American capitalists are also connected. Their concern will make patent wire fencing, and about 100 men are to be employed, starting about Jan. 15.

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