

The Wings of the Morning

BY LOUIS TRACY.

In a tall tree near the Valley of Death he had tightly fixed a loaded rifle which pointed at a loose stone in the rock overhanging the ledge held by the Dyaks. This stone rested against a number of percussion caps extracted from cartridges, and these were in direct communication with a train of powder leading to a blasting charge placed at the end of a twenty-four inch hole drilled with a crowbar. The impact of the bullet against the stone could not fail to explode some of the caps. He had used the contents of three hundred cartridges to secure a sufficiency of powder, and the bullets were all crammed into the orifice, being tamped with clay and wet sand. The rifle was fired by means of the string of the loose coils of which were secreted at the foot of the poon. By springing this novel mine he had effectually removed every Dyak from the ledge, over which its contents would spread like a fan. Further, it would probably deter the survivors from again venturing near that fatal spot.

Iris listened, only half comprehending. Her mind was filled with one thought to the exclusion of all others. Robert had left her, had even squeezed without telling her. She forgave him, knowing he acted for the best, but he must never, never deceive her again in such a manner. She could not bear it. What better course could man desire for caring her, who, even squeezing her, until the sobs ceased and she protested with a weak little laugh—

"Robert, I haven't got much breath—after that excitement—but please—leave me—the remains!"

CHAPTER XIV.

The Unexpected Happens. "You are a dear unreasonable little girl," he said. "Have you breath enough to tell me why you came down the ladder?"

"When I discovered you were gone, I became wild with fright. Don't you see, I imagined you were wounded and had fallen from the ledge. What else could I do but follow, either to help you, or, if that were not possible—"

He found her hand and pressed it to his lips. "I humbly crave your pardon," he said. "That explanation is more than ample. It was I who behaved unreasonably. Of course I should have warned you. Yet, sweetheart, I ran no risk. The real danger passed a week ago."

"How can that be?" "I might have been blown to pieces while adjusting the heavy stone in front of the caps. I assure you I was glad to leave the place that day with a whole skin. If the stone had wobbled, or slipped, well—it was a case of determined feto-de-se."

"May I ask how many more wild adventures you undertook without my knowledge?"

"One other, of great magnitude. I fell in love with a native. I knew that long before you admitted it to yourself."

"Date, please?" "Date, please?"

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gold tank to every man who survives if they succeed. They have pulled down your signal on the high rocks and are using the poles for the ladders. They think you have a jadu, sahbi, and they want to use your own work against you."

This was serious news. A combined attack might be dangerous, though it had the excellent feature that if it failed the Dyaks would certainly leave the island. But his sky-sign destroyed! That was bad. Had a vessel chanced to pass, the swinging letters would surely have attracted attention. Now, even that faint hope was dispelled.

"Sahbi, there is a worse thing to tell," said Mir Jan.

"Say on, then." "Before they place the ladders against the cliff they will build a fire of green wood, so that the smoke will be blown by the wind into your eyes. This will help to blind your aim. Otherwise, you never miss."

"That will assuredly be awkward, Mir Jan."

"It will, sahbi. Soul of my father, if we had but half a troop with us—"

But they had not, and they were both so intent on the conversation that they were momentarily off their guard. Iris was more watchful. She fancied there was a light rustling amidst the undergrowth beneath the trees on the right. And she could hiss, too, if that were the correct thing to do.

So she hissed. Jenks swarmed half way up the ladder.

"Yes, Iris," he said. "I am not sure, but I imagine something is afoot among the bushes behind the house."

"All right, dear. I will keep a sharp lookout. Can you hear us talking?"

"Hardly. Will you be long?" "Another minute."

He descended and told Mir Jan what the miss-sahbi said. The native was about to make a search when Jenks stopped him.

"Here,"—he handed the man his revolver—"I suppose you can use this."

Mir Jan took it without a word, and Jenks felt that the incident atoned for previous unworthy doubts of his dark friend's honesty. The Mahomedan cautiously examined the back of the house, the neighboring shrubs, and the open beach. After a brief absence he returned all safe, yet no man has ever been nearer death and escaped it than he during that reconnaissance. He, too, forgot that the Dyaks were foxes, and foxes can lie close when hounds are a trifle stale.

Mir Jan returned the revolver. "Sahbi," he said with another salaam, "I am a disgraced man, but if you will take me up there with you, I will fight by your side until both my arms are hacked off. I am weary of these thieves. I'll chance to lose this into their company. I will have no more of them. If you will not have me on the rock, give me a gun. I will hide among the trees, and I promise that some of them shall die tonight if you find me. For the honor of the regiment, sahbi, do not refuse this thing. All I ask is, if your honor escapes, that you will write to Kurnal I-shpence-sahbi, and tell him the last act of Mir Jan, naik in B broom!"

(To be Continued.)

BLACK HAND KING ESCAPES IN MINE

Alleged Dynamiter Eludes Chicago Police After Man Hunt Lasting Two Days.

Chicago, Sept. 8.—Joseph Sclurba, "King of the Black Hand," for whom a state warrant was issued last week, escaped from an armed posse of farmers, deputies and Chicago detectives today, after a man hunt lasting five days, by descending into a mine near Marion, Ill. The authorities believe he got away through a secret subterranean passage by the assistance of friends.

Sclurba is charged with a conspiracy to blow up the home of Antonio Luma, Chicago detective, headed by Detective Longabardi, the "Black Hand expert," went to Scotchburg, a Sicilian settlement near Marion, Sunday. They were recognized by Sclurba's wife, who threatened to shoot them if they approached his house. In the bushes, back of the house, the posse found two Italians in ambush, armed with shotguns. They fled after firing several shots. The posse found the house barricaded, but broke down the doors. Sclurba was traced to the Elg mile, six miles from Scotchburg.

GONE AGAIN

Strange Behavior of Missing Young New York Attorney.

Chicago, Sept. 8.—Mrs. F. D. S. Be disappeared from New York a fortnight ago, expects to meet her husband at Buffalo tonight, according to the detective agency which has been searching for the missing lawyer.

Mrs. Bethune, who had been in Chicago since the disappearance of her husband, was called to the telephone last night, and it is said the well-known voice of her husband informed her that he was at Buffalo and feeling well. This is the third message of the kind said to have been received by Mrs. Bethune, as her husband on Saturday last had talked with her twice over the telephone from Cincinnati.

Mrs. Bethune was mentally deranged from overwork, said a detective familiar with the case. "He left his home and travelled through Canada and some of the smaller towns of the United States. Whenever he closed on his brain became less dense, he called up his wife and talked with her, but he always disappeared before we could lay hands on him. He seemed to regain a glimmering of reason only to lose it again. He had seen photographs and descriptions of himself in various towns."

PUBLIC CRAVING CAUSE OF CRIME

Dr. Hamilton Analyzes "Emotional Insanity" as Defense for Killing.

New York, Sept. 8.—Dr. Allan McLane Hamilton, dean of American alienists, gives his views of "emotional insanity" as a defense for violent crimes, wholly in opposition to the practice.

Dr. Hamilton refers to the many important cases that have occurred during the last fifty years in New York where so-called "emotional insanity" has been advanced as an excuse for crime generally and was disposed to ridicule this form of subterfuge, and says:

"While it may seem an extreme thing to say, I do not think any one can help but deplore a certain visible decadence which finds its expression in love and sensuality in the appetite for a degenerate literary pabulum in the way of commonplace novels which are full of cheap sentiment and mock heroism, and by an irregular and unstable social institution which exists today."

"Those of us who have watched the drift must regret the growing tendency to disregard the traditions of fifty, and even twenty-five years ago, but we are powerless to antagonize the intellectual criticism which sometimes even under the guise of scientific progress leads people to do foolish and inconsiderate things."

"Time does not permit me to draw the lessons which must be apparent to those who live in this era of extravagance and luxury, especially in big cities, where home feeling is getting to be more and more a thing of the past. The life in boarding houses, flats and restaurants breeds unrest and discontent and affords opportunity for moral laches which can only have one tendency."

It is to be hoped that the attitude of the courts in regard to the defense of "emotional insanity" will be more stringent and unrelenting than it has hitherto been, and it is hoped that the public will be spared long and expensive trials with the exposure of the disgusting details and pseudo-scientific forms of defense. Laws should not be permitted, with the aid of disreputable members of my own profession to invent spurious forms of insanity."

NO DISLOYALTY MEANT

Deakin Says Reception to U. S. Ships Must Not Be Misconstrued.

London, Sept. 8.—The governor of Victoria, Sir Thomas Gibson-Carmichael, on behalf of the milites, has sent a cablegram to the Earl of Crewe, secretary of state for the colonies, in London, that events in connection with the enthusiastic reception of the American fleet at Melbourne "will only serve to strengthen, if it is possible, the feeling of loyalty which is so deeply rooted in Victoria."

Alfred Deakin, the premier of the commonwealth, has also issued a statement, which, he said, was made here, explaining in a similar way, that the reception of the Americans does not imply any failure to recognize the kinship of the mother country, of Great Britain's naval power.

DRIVEN ASHORE

Steamer Hurlburt Goes to Pieces at Whitefish Point, Lake Superior.

Marquette, Mich., Sept. 8.—Caught in a gale on Lake Superior Saturday night, the steamer Hurlburt was driven ashore near Whitefish Point today, and has since gone to pieces. The schooner Clint, which the Hurlburt was towing, was picked up in a sinking condition by the freighter Lackawanna, and was beached at Whitefish Point. The crew is safe.

NIGHT FIRE IN HOTEL

One Killed and Many Injured in Conflagration at Denver, Col.

Denver, Col., Sept. 8.—One man plunged to his death, and a half-dozen others threw themselves from windows, sustaining probably fatal injury in a panic that followed the discovery of fire in the Belmont Hotel early today, the cry of "fire" rushed out well in the halls, hemmed in by flames on all sides, and in an effort to escape, fought and struggled, while rescuers were forced back by columns of smoke and the mounting flames.

It was estimated by the management that at least 100 persons were asleep in the building when the fire started. All of them jumped from their beds, dressed only in their night robes.

As soon as the victims reached the street, they were taken to other hotels, and given shelter.

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TAFT GIVEN TIP HE'S TO BE SHOT

Is Told Assassin Will Fire on Him From a Chicago Skyscraper.

Topeka, Kan., Sept. 8.—The State Journal today prints an unsigned letter, mailed in Topeka, in the latter part of August, and addressed to Judge William H. Taft, in which the writer warns the Republican presidential nominee of an alleged plot to assassinate him. The letter, which was remailed to the chief of police of Topeka by direction of Judge Taft, was made public here today by the latter official. The writer is believed to be of unsound mind. The letter follows:

"Topeka, Kan., Aug. 27.

"Secretary of War W. H. Taft: "Dear Sir,—I feel it is my duty to enlighten you on some facts which deeply concern you. Four or five suspicious-looking men were seen in a close conversation in a box-car, which was standing in the Rock Island Railroad yards. I was very close to the car, and having rubber heels they did not hear my approach. They were busy formulating plans to assassinate the next president, who, they said, would be you, and moreover, they were going to try their best to implicate some negro men. One of the men was very desperate, and swore he would do it at Chicago the next time you came; but that he would do so with a rifle from the top of some skyscraper. Yours respectfully, YOUR UNKNOWN FRIEND."

DYNAMITE OVERHEATED

Twenty Pounds of It Exploded and Killed Three Workmen.

Agawam, Mass., Sept. 8.—Three men were killed and six others injured by the explosion of twenty pounds of dynamite on Proving Mountain, near the place where a contracting company is building a distributing reservoir in connection with the Springfield water supply system.

The dead are Richard Plater, Antonio Mita, Joseph Bello, all laborers. Plater was a negro, and the others were Italians.

Frederick Lovell, another laborer, received injuries which are expected to result in his death.

The explosion was at first thought to have been caused by a spark falling into a box of caps, but after an investigation announcement was made that the dynamite was placed on a pipe that supplied steam for a drill and became overheated.

A RECORD FLIGHT

Aviator Wright Soars With Aeroplane for Eleven Minutes.

Washington, Sept. 8.—At Fort Myer today Orville Wright made the twenty greatest aeroplane flights ever made publicly in this country, when he remained in the air for over eleven minutes on his first flight and for nearly eight minutes on his second. There was apparently no reason why the flights could not have been of even greater duration, as the aviator landed the second time because of approaching darkness. Throughout the flights Mr. Wright apparently had the machine under perfect control, rising at times to 60 feet and making sharp turns.

It was a few minutes before 6 o'clock when Mr. Wright signalled his assistant to release the machine. It shot along the track, and rose almost immediately after leaving it. Sweeping to earth like a giant eagle—it was brought down by Mr. Wright within 30 feet of the starting apparatus, after having made thirteen complete circles of the field in eleven minutes and ten seconds.

Twenty minutes after the first trial Mr. Wright started up for the second attempt. After eight circles of the field, Mr. Wright brought his machine down within a few feet of the aerial gauge. It was estimated that Mr. Wright covered six and a half miles in the first flight, at an average speed of 36 miles an hour, and on the second flight four and a quarter miles.

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