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THE LONELY GUARD, NORMAN INNES.

Author of "The Surge of War" (London Magazine, English Week, 1907); "The Crown" (English Week, 1907).

(Continued.) "Let us go," said the strikingly handsome man, who looked at me with a steady gaze. "But what of you?" I asked. "How will it fare with you when I am gone?" "Why," rejoined the older Countess, "we shall buoy ourselves with hope, with our trust in those who have left Rohn that they might aid us the better, in Leon de Portugal and these."



THE ROSEMARY CHAPEAU. Medium sized hat of white leghorn, with narrow brim which rolls all around. The shape is set upon a low black velvet band, and the high square crown is trimmed with black velvet fans and wreathed with Jacqueminot roses and foliage. Hat should be set well off forehead and the hair softly waved and drawn over circular roll.

A scramble, a short drop, and I was knee-deep in the Rhonau with the castle towering above me and a light mist shrouding the mountains on the further bank. Wading through the stream I noticed the water from my boots and stepped out briskly in the direction of the path that led to Kels. Above the eastern mountains the night was lifting as I reached the thicket of the woods and flung myself upon the ground to wait for the dawn. In the tree-tops above me drifted a mist, frisks, branches and the bracken on which I sprawled were heavy with dew, still with the breaking of the day a thick fog brooded over the forest. But mist or no mist I could not afford to waste my time in these woods. I got up and made for the pathway where I was to meet my guide with the horse walking slowly where the grass grew soft by the side of the track. I must have gone nearly a mile, cautiously, noiselessly, almost, with every sense alert to catch the first sound of any one approaching and each moment my feet increased that this fellow whom the Countess Inez had assumed me I should find waiting on the road to Kels had failed, both her and her Not a sound was to be heard, save the dripping of water from the eaves and the drip of the moisture from the branches, as onward I pressed till, smothering a cry, I came to a sudden halt; I had all but struck over a man lying prone beside the path.

ROOSEVELT TALKS TO THE WORKING WOMEN

Washington, D. C., May 1.—President Roosevelt expressed his views regarding working women's clubs today in addressing six hundred New England women who make their own living and who are in Washington sight-seeing. The visitors are members of the National League of Women Workers. Both the president and Mrs. Roosevelt gave a cordial greeting to the workers and shook hands with them. The president addressed them as follows: "It is a very real pleasure to greet you today. I often meet delegations here in the East Room of the White House; all of them I am very glad to see, and I can say with entire truth that there is no one that comes here which I could be more pleased to see than this. I would not be fit to hold the position that I do hold, I would not be a good American if I did not take a peculiar interest in exactly the kind of club which is represented here today. I think it is highly typical of our people that we should be able to get together in organizations for social and intellectual betterment; and interested though I am in such organizations of men, I am even more interested when they are managed by women and particularly working women, working girls. If I were asked to point out what, in my judgment was the fundamental difference in our favor was the different attitude taken here toward women; the greater chance that woman has for combining with a life of duty the chance of self-improvement."

PORT HOOD MINERS LEAVE THEIR WORK

Workmen Want More Pay and Strike to Get It. Halifax, May 1.—The miners of Port Hood Colliery at Port Hood (C. B.), went out on strike today, asking an increase in wages and the mine is idle. Last autumn the miners' pay was reduced slightly. The summer output of the mine has been sold in advance and unless this difficulty is settled without delay it will be a serious matter for the company, the mine and the town. The Mechanics' Lodge, P. W. A., of Springfield, some time ago asked for a board of conciliation on a demand for an advance in pay in certain lines of mechanical work. The Cumberland Railway and Coal Co. declined to take part before any board and refused to name a representative on the board. The mine was closed by the board and appointed Hon. J. N. Armstrong of North Sydney to act for the company. These two could not agree on a third member as chairman and government arbitrator was appointed Judge W. B. Wallace for the mine.

DOUKHOBORS BUY FINE FRUIT TRACT

Winnipeg, May 1.—One hundred Doukhobors have gone to British Columbia to start a colony on land recently purchased by Peter Verigin. The lands are a few miles south-west of Nelson in a fine fruit district. The community paid \$123,000 for the lands, and expect to settle five thousand people on them.

CELEBRATIONS IN SPAIN

Madrid, May 1.—The fetes commemorating the centenary of the war for Spanish independence began today. The royal family took part in the exercises, and Queen Victoria was greeted with frenzied cheering when she held up the infant prince of the Asturias to the crowds. Despite the opposition of Premier Maura, King Alfonso has decided to review the grand civic procession to-morrow.

Does not Color the Hair AYER'S HAIR VIGOR

GIRLS ARE SOLD INTO LIFE OF SHAME

Shocking Story Told of Conditions in Alaska.

Seattle, April 30.—Selling girls for a financial consideration before they are hardly old enough to don long skirts is the kind of traffic that is engaged in by mothers in Alaska and the laws governing that territory are powerless to stop the infamous enterprise or punish the malefactors engaging in it. This is the story told by Mrs. C. B. Reynolds, who has spent many years in Juneau, Sitka and Douglas. She says the unnatural mothers belong to all nationalities, but that the practice is carried on to a greater extent among the Russians than any other class. So alarming has this condition become according to Mrs. Reynolds, that she decided to consult the officers of the Washington Children's Home society, the head of the state board of charities and corrections and other persons engaged in religious and semi-religious work. In response to her representations, L. J. Covington put the matter before the board of trustees of the Washington Children's Home society, and it was decided to ask the congressional delegation from Washington to pass a drastic measure for the protection of girls in Alaska. "Conditions are simply horrible in the parts of Alaska which I visited," said Mrs. Reynolds, "and in the laws governing the territory no remedy is found. Women unashingly sell their daughters just as they would a nugget of gold or a team of dogs, and the traffic has reached such an extent that the moral phase of it is lost sight of. The bargains are made openly and under the very noses of the officers. It is amazing that nothing has been done to guarantee protection to these unfortunate children. "Education is so lacking that the little ones cannot see in the shameful bargain made by their mothers any particular evil and they, as a rule, become willing parties to the crime. This is more especially so among the Russians, who seem to have no conception of the moral phase of the condition. "Occasionally a girl, whose very nature revolts against such a bargain, runs away to her mother, but she is put to such an extent that she is forced to force the girl to yield. "She was rescued, however, and is now filling an honorable position in a Eastern state. All the club women at Sitka, Juneau, and other parts of Alaska are making this matter up, and they hope to put a bill through Congress that will remedy the terrible conditions. "The astounding story of Mrs. Reynolds, is well-known among club women and women who are interested in neglected children was confirmed by Mr. Covington. "What Mrs. Reynolds has told you, said he, "is true. Our investigations have supported all her statements and the most striking feature of it is that the law does not provide punishment when it comes to dealing with the phase of human villainy in Alaska. We hope Congress will act this session and pass laws dealing with this evil along the lines of the statutes in this state. "Education is so lacking that the little ones cannot see in the shameful bargain made by their mothers any particular evil and they, as a rule, become willing parties to the crime. This is more especially so among the Russians, who seem to have no conception of the moral phase of the condition. "Occasionally a girl, whose very nature revolts against such a bargain, runs away to her mother, but she is put to such an extent that she is forced to force the girl to yield. "She was rescued, however, and is now filling an honorable position in a Eastern state. All the club women at Sitka, Juneau, and other parts of Alaska are making this matter up, and they hope to put a bill through Congress that will remedy the terrible conditions. "The astounding story of Mrs. Reynolds, is well-known among club women and women who are interested in neglected children was confirmed by Mr. Covington. "What Mrs. Reynolds has told you, said he, "is true. Our investigations have supported all her statements and the most striking feature of it is that the law does not provide punishment when it comes to dealing with the phase of human villainy in Alaska. We hope Congress will act this session and pass laws dealing with this evil along the lines of the statutes in this state."

NEW DEVELOPMENT CO. TO OPEN BRANCH HERE

Great West Townsite Company, Ltd., Extending Its Business -- R. D. Isaacs, Who Will Be Manager for Canada, Speaks of Proposed Scope of Operations.

R. D. Isaacs, who is interested in the promotion of a car building plant, stated to the Telegraph yesterday that negotiations have been about completed with a western Canadian city for the establishment of the works. The concessions, as offered, are of a very liberal character and will in all probability be accepted. Mr. Isaacs, who has successfully organized and managed the Northwestern Land & Improvement Co., Ltd., with offices in Vancouver, B. C., has accepted the position as managing director of that company, and has associated himself with the Great West Townsite Company, Ltd., a United States corporation and a financially sound company, with a capital of \$1,000,000, which will have offices at St. John, Montreal, and Winnipeg, and which Mr. Isaacs will be manager for Canada.

MAN BEATS POLICE

"Rubber Tire" Johnson Propels Himself on Wheels in a Scorching Exhibit in New York.

(New York World.) "Rubber Tire" Johnson's upstart that goes on wheels scattered five blocks of excitement along Seventh avenue at 10 o'clock last night, and now Central Office Detectives Carrett and Hains are thinking about putting in a requisition for roller skates as part of their police equipment. The detectives had never encountered "Rubber Tire," whose other name is Harry until they saw him at Seventh avenue and Twenty-fourth street, though many in the department and all those in the West, Thirtieth street Precinct have known him long. He has been arrested often, and Carrett and Hains were after him last night on a charge of complicity in the robbery of Bertha Brooks, of No. 123 West Twenty-seventh street. The young woman reported at police headquarters last Monday morning that she was going through Seventy-ninth street the night before a legless colored man shot out of No. 230 on a pair of wheels, named her with his head, knocked her down and then two confederates robbed her of \$120 and some jewelry. The police suspected "Rubber Tire" even before the girl recognized his picture in the Rogues' Gallery. It was a trick of which he had been accused often. For twenty years since he lost both legs at the hips, Johnson has ridden himself around on a board fastened to a pair of wheels. He uses his hands as motor and has acquired such skill that he can speed at the rate of twenty miles an hour, taking the street crossings like a hurdle. The detectives saw "Rubber Tire" and his wheels last night. He was talking to George Brooks, "the Kid," whose picture had also been picked out by Miss Brooks. Not knowing "Rubber Tire's" speed, they thought he would be easy, so they laid hold of Brooks. Next minute "Rubber Tire" was making a record up Seventh avenue. Among Brooks over to a policeman the detectives set out after the one on wheels, who was scattering the crowds like a runaway auto. The detectives couldn't overtake him and nobody in his course carried a de-



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RAZORLESS SHAVER CHARGED WITH FRAUD

Postal Inspector Arrests Man Who Made Postmaster's Face Raw.

Belleville, Pa., May 1.—Post office inspector Lucas has arrested M. D. McOmber, of Milton, charging him with fraudulent use of the mails. The defendant was held in jail for the June term of the United States District Court. McOmber's arrest grew out of an advertisement, which he sent broadcast, claiming to manufacture a shaving preparation with which the beard could be removed from a man's face without the use of a razor. Postmaster Hopkins, of Milton, called upon McOmber and asked to be shaved without a razor. The latter proceeded to rub some stuff on the postmaster's face, and then, with a towel, tried to remove all traces of his beard. Before the job was completed the postmaster's face looked like a raw piece of beef and was a sight to behold. The arrest followed.

L. P. FARRIS TO BE MADE POLICE COMMISSIONER

L. P. Farris, late commissioner of agriculture, who was in the city yesterday, has received, it is understood, an important appointment from the federal government. The report has it that he is to be made a commissioner of police along the line of the Grand Trunk Pacific in this province. It will be his duty to appoint constables for the districts through which the railway runs, to prevent the sale of liquors to the workmen within certain prescribed limits and to guard against crime. The official attached to the office is said to be a very satisfactory one.

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