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MEMOIRS OF SHERLOCK HOLMES BY A. CONAN DOYLE

THE MYSTERY OF THE STOCKBROKER'S CLERK

He suspects that we are detectives... "That's it," cried Pycroft... "Holmes shook his head. "He did not turn pale. He was pale when we entered the room," said he. "It is just possible that..."

capture of the criminal occurred this afternoon in the city. For some time back Mawson & Williams, the famous financial house, have been the guardians of securities which amount in the aggregate to a sum of considerably over a million sterling... "Not a soul," groaned Hall Pycroft.

PILES Dr. Chase's Ointment... Piles. See testimonials in the press and ask your neighbors about it. You can use it and get your money back if not satisfied. One of our trials on BRUNSWICK, HATTS & CO., Toronto as I presume that nobody in the office had...

SCHOOLS IN GERMANY Strict Medical Inspection--How Poor Children Are Cared for--Example to the World.

Last April two delegates were sent from England to investigate the conditions of life and labor in other countries. Their special mission was to inquire into the physical and industrial life of brassworkers. While in Berlin the delegates visited a school in the parish of Riger Strasse. The Schoolmaster (London) prints the following interesting extract from their report...

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ing milk of an approved quality. If children desire to work at any employment in the afternoon they must get permission from the police. In this school from fifteen to twenty boys are so occupied, mostly on errands; and from ten to fifteen little girls as minders of children. No child vendor of newspapers are seen in the streets. No young girls are permitted by the authorities to stand in the gutters selling flowers. Schoolboy smoking is not allowed. The boy would have his cigarette knocked out of his mouth if seen by a workman in the street, and the workman would be thanked by the parents for so doing.

COMMENT ON BANK MERGER

What a Montreal Man Says of the Bank of New Brunswick. (H. M. P. Edwards in Boston Transcript.) It is doubtful if the arrangement with the Bank of New Brunswick for the merger at the beginning of next year has actually concluded, but apparently it is well under way. There is a possibility that stockholders of the Bank of New Brunswick will oppose the deal, as a matter of fact, the publication of the news has evoked dissatisfaction and hostility from a section of the press in that part of the country. The measure is opposed chiefly for two reasons--because owners of the New Brunswick bank's stock think they should get a better price than the Montreal bank offers; and, because the people down there are becoming alarmed at the rapid rate at which their local banks are being gobbled up by the big institutions of Ontario and Quebec. In the first objection American readers will not have much interest. But the second is substantially the same as that commonly used in the United States against the introduction of the branch bank system. Some of the people of Halifax east of St. John, N. B., are saying: "Our local industries and our local borrowers will not receive the same consideration from the branch of a bank controlled in Montreal or Toronto as they now receive from our own institutions, owned and controlled by our own home folks. Already three of our local banks have been taken over by these big outside firms. A fourth is now in danger of the same fate. Let us protest, at once, and oppose this measure vigorously, or we shall have some left that we can call our own." The reason given for the last two absorptions was that being small concerns they did not feel that they were strong enough to hold their ground in the future against the competition of the big banks, whose branches met them at nearly every point; and the men in charge deemed it wise to sell out while general conditions were sound and prosperous. This line of argument seems hardly to apply to the case of the Bank of New Brunswick. It is an excellent little bank with an enviable record as to management, profits and dividends. A twelve per cent dividend has been paid without interruption for quite a number of years. The bank is solidly entrenched at St. John, the head office, where nearly all its business is done; directors are the chief business men of the city and it does not appear that it is in competition of the big fellows. It has met them, and met them successfully, in St. John for many years. In each and every case it will not be because the Bank of New Brunswick was driven into it. The Bank of Montreal will have to pay a stiff price before it gets the solid little blue-rose concern. The deal, if consummated, will be interesting because it will mark the disappearance of the strongest and best of the American type of bank in Canada. The Bank of New Brunswick has, to be sure, some five or a half-dozen branches, but for all that it is practically a local St. John bank--the branch expansion having taken place in the last two or three years only. Of the remaining local banks none has much importance. The general idea is that all are doomed to be swallowed up by big banks in a comparatively short space of time. When this happens financial affairs in the localities where they work will undoubtedly be placed on a solid basis. It will likely be found, too, that the borrowing inhabitants of those localities will receive every bit as favorable a hearing from the branches of the outside bank as they now receive from their local institution. And the branches can and will hold at the disposal of the locality a much larger supply of capital than the existing office banks can scrape together. A hearing accident occurred at Shediac Cape Saturday afternoon and but for timely assistance the affair might have been more serious. Joe Bruce, of the Bank of Nova Scotia at Montreal, who is spending his vacation at his father's summer home at Shediac Cape, was out alone for a sail in Shediac harbor and on his return the boat capsized. Fortunately for Bruce, Hal Weldon was on the spot and heard his call for assistance and to the rescue, arriving in the nick of time through the city yesterday on his way to Boston, New York and Baltimore.

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