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Two little willing workers aim to enter in this household game: their job, the lessening of work, a task that neither of them shrink. With active little hands and brains they grab the irksome household reins, till soon each kettle, pot or dish, is just as bright as you could wish. And not until the chores are done, from sink to silver, sun to sun, could anything inspire the two, to drop the tasks they have to do.

Therefore, if you have never known, assistance such as we have shown, your troubles end, where joy begins. Now, Mrs. Drudge, the Gold Dust Twins! Henceforth, as dishes congregate, and dinky pots that cannot wait, awaits you at the close of day—"Cheer Up!" Forget the labor planned: You have two aids at your command.



The Gold Dust Twins

## The Diamond From the Sky

By ROY L. MCCARDELL

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The check has come back to the vindictive, angry gambler marked "No funds," and when Abe Bloom has called upon the Blake Detective agency to aid him recover the amount of the check the wily Tom Blake has in his possession the convincing identification he has been seeking—the duplicate thumb print of the murderer of Dr. Lee, the thumb print of Blair Stanley.

The astute if not overscrupulous detective is working only for his client, Hagar Harding, who pays him well. There is no reward offered for the apprehension of Blair Stanley or any other man save the innocent Arthur Stanley.

Detective Blake knows that Hagar will use the evidence he brings her in her own time and in her own way. It concerns him no further, for the present at least, and he takes his fee and returns to Richmond, strangely enough, on the same train that bears Mrs. Burton Randolph and Vivian Marsden.

Blair and his mother have returned from the little station at Fairfax after seeing their late guests to the train. Blair and his mother are at daggers drawn. He asks that she give him money and let him go upon his way in the world, as he wishes to leave Fairfax and never return.

"You have been under enough evil influences in following the promptings of your own unfortunate ways," says his mother coldly. "This Vivian Marsden cannot deceive me for a moment. And as she seems to have also completely deceived and infatuated you, you shall have no money of my saving to waste upon an adventuress."

Blair made no reply, but inwardly he felt wild curses mounting to his lips, and he flung himself in the house, leaving his mother alone on the porch ere he might utter them.

But he was resolved to leave Fairfax, and he was resolved to again see and regain the favor of Vivian.

There was no time like the present, was his thought. Blair went rapidly up the stairs and into the living room on the second floor, while his mother remained in bitter contemplation on the piazza.

He nerved to his desperate undertaking. He closed the door of the living room behind him. He pressed the spring, and the "Tory hiding place" behind the chimney opened.

Taking the heavy poker from the fireplace that now was swung outward into the room, Blair stepped into the recess and closed the hiding place after him.

Here he lit a candle and furiously pried at the old iron bound chest where, among his father's papers, his mother kept the ready money which she, like her husband had before her, lent out at heavy interest to such unfortunates as fell into her meshes—when their security was good.

At Stanley hall, after the departure of Detective Blake, Hagar ordered her carriage. "I am going to pay a call. I will not be long," was all the information she vouchsafed to Esther. But Esther knew that whatever was the errand that called Hagar away, although a secret, it was one that was for Esther's good.

Luke Lovell, who spent his time at Stanley hall partly and partly as headman under Hagar at the gypsy rendezvous some dozen miles away in a hidden fastness of the Blue Ridge, brought around the horse and buggy to the front of Stanley hall. At this instant a diversion was caused by the appearance of a hunchback organ grinder hurrying up the driveway.

It was Quabba, his monkey, shrieking with fright, clinging closely to his master's breast. Behind them came Sheriff Sam Swain on horseback, lashing the unfortunate Quabba.

Hagar and Esther both flew to the rescue of the poor hunchback.

"He's lucky I am not chasing him out of the county!" explained the irate sheriff. "But for the trick he played upon me yesterday I would have caught Arthur Stanley. Do you know what this organ grinding monkey totting limp of Satan did?"

"Why, he introduced me to Blair Stanley, and Arthur Stanley, the murderer, who had the nerve to come riding at the mask tournament, got away! I could have this organ grinding scoundrel sent up for a year for interfering with an officer in the discharge of his duty!"

"I didn't mean any harm," whined Quabba. "You were teasing and joking with me, saying you were going to put the handcuffs on me, and I only joked with you and the other gentleman in putting them on you and him."

"Young feller," said the sheriff impressively, "never joke with an officer of the law. It is against the peace and dignity of the commonwealth of Virginia and the law and the statutes that therein apply!" And, having delivered himself of this pseudo legal dictum, the sheriff touched his hat to Hagar and Esther and cantered off.

Quabba was a wandering, solitary gypsy of Italian stock. A word in Roman fell on his astonished ears from the lips of the grande dame at

the portals of this grand house, who gave orders to Luke that Quabba be cared for at the kitchen of Stanley hall.

This done, Hagar was prepared to go upon her mysterious errand with, as Esther noticed, the black flat portfolio the strange man from Richmond had brought that day, when her keen gypsy eye noticed that the horse was slightly lame.

Half angrily she ordered Lovell to return it to the stable, and after Lovell, with the equipage and Quabba, the latter uttering expressions of his gratitude, had turned the corner of the great house, "I am not going so very



Quabba Appears at Stanley Hall.

far, so it doesn't matter if I walk," said Hagar and kissed Esther again and went upon her way.

Little did Esther dream of the strange return this secretive yet kind woman, whom she deemed her mother, was to make to Stanley hall.

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Miss Nellie Ripley is spending a few weeks with friends in Lockport.

Miss Martha Roberts gave a party last Wednesday evening to the young people of this place.

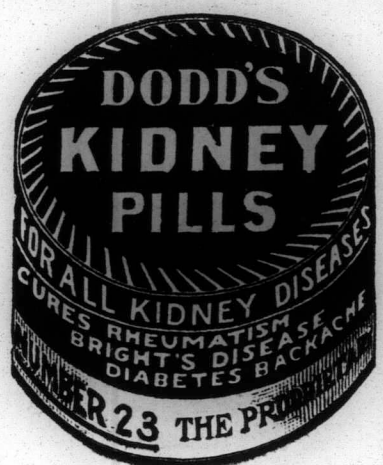
Carmen and Mrs. Howey spent Sunday with Robert and Mrs. McGregor.

Miss Mildred Howey spent last Wednesday with Claryan Henry.

Miss Catharine Atelbury and Mr. Harold Dinkwell were married last Wednesday in Brantford.

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