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The Midnight Guest

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(Continued.)

The instruments were recovered presently from the hiding-place, and with the theodolite on his shoulder Venables stepped boldly on to the lawn in front of the house, and gravely went to work. The windows were opened, and a glimpse of well-furnished rooms could be seen in the background. A couple of maids stood in one of the windows, and watched the strangers curiously.

"It looks respectable enough," Venables muttered, pretending to be exceedingly busy. "You may depend upon it, this is a tougher job than we anticipated. These servants are all right. You may be sure that they know nothing of what is going on. However, to make certain, I'll ask them for myself."

Venables approached the window and asked civilly for the loan of a small piece of string. He came back presently, after a chat of a minute or two, and once more appeared to be wholly engrossed in his instrument. At the same time, he was telling his companions the information which he had gleaned.

"I knew I was right," he said. "The house has been let furnished to an Italian gentleman called something or another. I didn't quite catch what, and the people only came down yesterday. Those servants go with the frehold, so to speak, and they have all been in the present situation for some considerable time. Their master is a city stockbroker, who, with his family, is on the Continent for the next month or two. If we are lucky, we shall probably get a sight of the Italian presently, though I expect we have all got a pretty shrewd notion who the gentleman is."

The work proceeded gravely for a quarter of an hour. Levels appeared to be figures in the notebooks. Presently, as Walter glanced around him, he drew a deep breath, for there was no mistaking the identity of the slim figure that emerged from one of the open French windows and came striding eagerly down the lawn. "Silva," Walter said under his breath. "Don't pretend to see him till he gets quite close. I think it would be a good thing if we left all the interviewing to Venables."

The Italian approached the group and superciliously demanded to know what they were doing there. He looked upon the master of the place in his cool, dandy suit. He had a cigarette between his strong, white teeth.

"Why are you trespassing here?" he demanded. "Don't you know that this is private property? Go, or I will call in the police and give you into custody."

"The police won't help you in this case," Venables said with the air of a military man who is quite sure of his ground. "We are here on government business. I don't know if you understand what I mean, but we are surveying, and nobody has a right to interfere with us, providing we do no damage. We can come into the house if we like. Indeed, I am not quite sure that we shan't have to, if you have got a flat roof, sir, with railings round, if we have occasion to take the theodolite up there. It will ring the bell and let you know."

The whole thing was so coolly and naturally done that Silva was taken aback for the moment. Evidently he had come out of the house full of suspicion, and with the fixed intention of getting rid of these intruders as soon as possible. There was an uneasy look in his eyes as Venables suggested the roof of the house as the field of action. He deemed it wise to shift his ground altogether.

"That will be very inconvenient," he said, in quite another voice. "I hope you will be able to manage without that. If you can. However, if you will give me an hour's notice, I disengage."

But Walter was no longer listening. He was standing up regarding the house with a professional eye. His gaze vaguely took in a dormer window immediately under the roof. There were bars to the

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Walter could think of no better scheme to offer, so that Venables was allowed to have his own way. There was nothing for it now to pass the time as best they could till midnight. The hours stole slowly on. The darkness deepened and night came always found. Dinner had been a thing of the past for some time, and it was getting near eleven o'clock before the trip, accompanied by Perks, made the way in the direction of the common. They lay quietly on the turf there till a distant church clock struck twelve, and then Venables jumped to his feet, and declared that the time for action had arrived.

(To be continued.)

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GEO. A. DAVIS HAS BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION

A Honolulu paper of recent date has the following:

"George A. Davis celebrated his fiftieth birthday on Wednesday by having a dinner at his home in Kewalo street. Among those present were Judge Dole, Judge Linn, Judge De Bevoise, Judge Robinson, Geoffrey Brown, David Dayton, Frank Thompson, Wm. Henry, Chas. F. Chillingworth, E. L. Long, F. Cooke, W. R. Farrington, Marston Campbell, J. D. Tucker, Mr. Kopke.

Mr. Davis in responding to the toast proposed by E. Cooke made a very happy speech, during which he said that during his life in the islands each man Norman Dobbin, delivered an excellent address. Addresses were also given by Rev. A. W. Daniel, the rector, Anthony Dobbin, James Henderson, H. F. Padgett and A. Thompson. The closing exercises were much enjoyed. The prizes were presented to the scholars by Rev. Mr. Daniel. Ice cream and cake were handed round, and a very pleasant time was spent by all present.

CLOSING OF PUBLIC SCHOOL AT ROTHESAY

The Rothesay public school, taught by Miss McMurray, of St. John, and Miss Bell, of Moncton, closed yesterday. There were about 100 scholars present to witness the closing exercises. A feature of the proceedings was the hoisting of a new Canadian flag by the boys, one of whom, Norman Dobbin, delivered an excellent address. Addresses were also given by Rev. A. W. Daniel, the rector, Anthony Dobbin, James Henderson, H. F. Padgett and A. Thompson. The closing exercises were much enjoyed. The prizes were presented to the scholars by Rev. Mr. Daniel. Ice cream and cake were handed round, and a very pleasant time was spent by all present.

INJUNCTION AGAINST HIGHER I. O. F. RATES

Foresters everywhere will be interested to learn that in Rochester (N. Y.), a temporary injunction has been granted by Justice G. A. Benson, restraining the Supreme Court of the Independent Order of Foresters from increasing its insurance rates pending the action brought on that point by Henry J. Simmolk of Rochester. The matter of increasing the rates for insurance in this fraternal order was taken up at the convention in Toronto last week. Order of Foresters was taken up at the convention in Toronto last week. Order of Foresters was taken up at the convention in Toronto last week. Order of Foresters was taken up at the convention in Toronto last week.

Fashion Hint for Times Readers



LITTLE MILADI LINGERIE.

This summer little girls are literally to be garbed in lingerie from head to foot. Not only are white frocks trimmed elaborately with flouncings, beadings and edgings of fine muslin embroidery, but the big white hats, which are set well back from the brow, are formed entirely of fine needlework trimmings. The crowns of such hats may be made of the square Corday order, or mob shape, or have flat-topped, puffy sided Tams. The brims are invariably frilly, for several rows of accordion, knife or box plaited lace and embroidery ruffles are employed in their making. The crown has a tulle or with twisted satin ribbon, which falls in loops and ends over the back. This may be drawn forward and tied beneath the chin, thus transforming the headgear into a bonnet.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS

MATINEE TODAY

S. John Dramatic Club Will Produce A Sailor's Sweetheart.

Another large and appreciative audience greeted A Sailor's Sweetheart in the Opera House last evening. All the members of the cast rendered an excellent account of themselves. The choruses and specialties went with a swing and the general expression of opinion was an enthusiastic performance in St. John had ever been given with more artistic finish and completeness. A final performance of "A Sailor's Sweetheart" will be given as a matinee today. A big demand for seats is expected and the audience are particularly requested to be in their seats not later than 2.15 p.m. The curtain will rise promptly at that time.

AT THE NICKEL

A regular bumper summer crowd attended the Nickel last evening and saw one of the best programmes of motion pictures ever thrown on a St. John curtain. The premier film was the lovely story of the Salvation Army work in the slums of Chicago, "Blue Bonnets," or the rescue of two golden-haired children from the clutches of a drunken father. There were two very funny comedies, Miss Piper's Gown and the Frightened Neighbor.

PROVINCIAL TEACHERS INSTITUTE

Five Hundred Teachers Present at Yesterday's Session. Papers Read on Important Subjects—Wm. McLean Elected to University Senate.

Fredricton, June 26.—The enrollment at the Teachers Institute has passed the 500 mark, being almost double that of the last meeting two years ago. The teachers are being favored by fine weather and are greatly enjoying their sojourn in the shaded city. At today's session instructive papers were contributed by Principal Bridges of the Normal School, Chas. D. Richards of Woodstock, Phoebe W. Robertson of Hampton, Rev. Dr. Kierstead of Woodstock and Prof. Locke of St. John. Prof. Locke of St. John was elected to the University Senate. Tomorrow morning the executive will be elected and several papers read and in the afternoon the teachers will visit the university and will be addressed by Prof. Kistner on "Manual Training." They will afterwards inspect the buildings and equipment.

Carleton Cornet Band Fair.

At the Carleton Cornet Band Fair last evening the prize winners were—H. Lingley, barrel of flour; Mrs. Pollock, chamber set; Mrs. Carey, 20 lbs. of sugar; Mrs. Lenehan, picture; Mrs. Whippley, four cans of peas; Miss A. Price, five gallons of oil; F. deVeber, two cans of coffee; Harold Clark, 3 pitchers; A. Fowler, two packages of tea; Mr. Wallace, five lbs. of soap; ex-celior, A. Duffy, parlor lamp; bean toas, Geo. Fawcett, two pictures; air gun, T. Allen, silver cracker jar; bagatelle, A. Fowler, one-half dozen tea spoons.

The voting contest now stands: C. Clark, 880; Geo. Fawcett, 825; John Brown, 733. The contest will close at 9 o'clock on Monday night.

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