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8—The Handwriting on the Wall [few days and that you won't have to bribe your politicians." And out of the corner of my eye I THE CASE OF THE ANONYMOUS LETTER WRITER OF PHILADELPHIA.

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The reason for the prevalence of the case. I found my people to be the the anonymous letter writing evil is Continental Heating company. The conference?" I said. because of the apparent safety of the nazie of the general manager was person guilty of this nuisance. A man Franey. I didn't like him from the of the anonymous letter writing type start. has an enemy. He is afraid to face "Mr. Cornell," said Haney, when 1 him in the open, but he wants to hurt had introduced myself, "I'm glad to see him, What easier or what more safe you, glad to see you, indeed. We've the mad. -apparently-than to write an un- got a little matter here in this office, signed letter containing information, a queer matter, that we can't quite alleged or real, or slander, which is understand. We thought we had betcertain to cause the assailed person ter have a detective in to look the harm, or at least considerable annoy- thing over." Mce? O

"What is, it?" I asked. There is a certain type of cowardly person to whom the anonymous letter and drew out three letters and handappeals as does the vengeful stiletto to ed them to me. the vicious blackhand criminal. It is a few lines in a disguised hand? Or good look at them." on' a typewriter? How can anybody and dropped in the mail box by stealth of the firm being mentioned. They and in the dark of night? True, ad- were all about in the same tone. Here mits the letter writer to himself-or is a sample:

herself, for women are numerous "Dear Sir: among this element, such letters have You are trying to land the contract the excellence of his products and

to hide their tracks. It looks like a know that, because you're on the out- who forces his way to the top by bullcinch. It looks safe. But- it isn't. side. We know, because we're on the dozing and unscrupulous conduct. Any crime or misdemeanor that will inside. Yes, your bid is the lowest Garver would rather lose business place in the hands of a trained de- that has been turned in. We don't than sacrifice his self respect by a fact, any physical trace of a person's you the contract. Well, we don't mind keep out of jail. expression, is the least safe sort of telling you that it won't. The figures wrong-doing in the world. No sort of in the bids don't settle this contract get on the track is the kind most cer- across. tain to be run down eventually.

And there the case ended for the time being. him yet, have I?" Three mozens later, almost to a day,

in a large nearby city to send a man an old man. I attend to all this sort a dozen of the most powerful politiover there at once. I happened to get of business."

> "No," said Haney. I thought it over a little. here.'

ed. Haney leaned back, mollified. "Oh," he said, "if that's the case, all

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right. Mr. Garver doesn't like to trouble with such details, but if you in-For answer he turned to his desk sist-" "I do.' "Then we can go into his private

"Those letters, Mr. Cornell, have office." a means to harm, and—apparently—a been received in this office in the last We went in. Garver was an old safe one. What easier than to write two weeks," said Haney. "Take a man, as Haney had said. He was over seventy and was in poor health. His I did. The letters were simply admind was quite as clear as it should trace a letter prepared in such a way dressed "Dear Sir," without the name be, but as I saw him and Haney together the contrast struck me too forcibly to be lost. Garver was the fine type of honorable business man who

has built up his success by virtue of been traced and their authors caught. for heating the five new school build- square dealing, and who was more fre-But, reasons the intending writer, they ings. We know all about it. You quently met a couple of decades ago Hid not take the necessary precautions have made the lowest bid. You don't than in this age. Haney was the type

tective a piece of writing, pen or type- mind telling you that. It won't do you dishonorable action. Haney would get writer, or a piece of printing, or, in any good. You think that will land the money anyway so long as he could y' know, we got to thinking about it "Well, Mr. Cornell," said Garver wrong-doing is safe, of course, but the by a long sight. We settle it. You tinental Heating company would have courteously, "it looks as if the Conkind that leaves a trace of a person's know who we are. Now, the reason to resort to bribery to get a much-deidentity in the hands of the men who we write this to you is this: Come sired contract, doesn't it? I dislike to do it, very much, but it is extremely

That's what will land you this con- necessary that we get this school con-This does not mean that it usually tract, if you do land it. Come across. tract. I am sorry to have to pay a is a cinch for the detective to run Come across strong. Show us that bribe to unscrupulous politicians. I down the average anonymous letter you're right, and we'll show you that would not do so except to beat a com. every piece of city money that's been

saw Haney smile. The next two days were busy ones for me and for Cluffer and Doheny of the Burns agency staff. I went back

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to New York; Cluffer and Doheny on my wired request came rushing to the (Copyright, 1912, by International "I thought not," said the manager, pany, have agreed upon as the truth." knew the ins and outs of the political "Garver?" I said. "I haven't met ring in that city like a book. He had

worked on a couple of city hall cases "Mr. Garver is president and owner there. Doheny had been brought up we got a call from a business house of this company," said Haney. "He's in the town and was chummy with half cians of the lower class, the kind who "Doesn't he want to be in on this would be in on such a deal as the

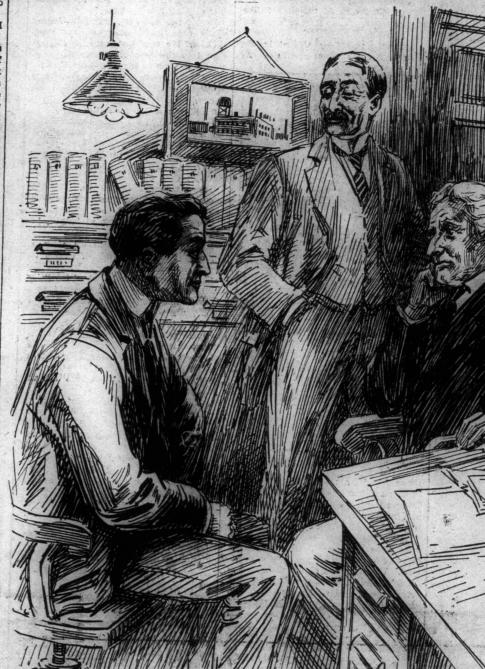
school heating contracts. For two days Cluffer and Doheny combed the political corners of the "Well," I said. "I want him to be town. They smoked and drank and chummed with everybody they needed "What?" Haney began to get a lit- in their business, from the king of the levee district, who was the biggest pol-"It's a rule of our office," I explain- itician there, to the 'ittle hangers-on of husky ward-heelers. Then they sprang their proposition.

"We've got a cheap heating proposition we want to get into the schools," Cluffer told the big politician. "We know that we can't compete with the other firms that are bidding on the jobs; our plant won't stand competition-it isn't in their class. But we're right. Understand? We're ready to come through hig on this proposition. You and your friends can get as nice a piece of change as you've seen in a dog's age if you'll see that we get that contract, and nothing said about the kind of plants we put in." The big fellow crossed his hands

over his stomach and said:

"Now, I tell you, me boy, it's like this about those school contracts. We've made it a habit here-me and the other fellows who control the votes-to have our finger in every bit of city money that's been spent for the last ten years. We've been in on it all. But about this school business, and the first thing we knew we discovered that the health of the little kids who go to school depends a whole lot upon the heating and ventilation system that goes into the rooms. They get all sorts of things the matter with them if the heat ain't right in the winter time. The air gets bad, as understand.

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The regular m Council was held chamber last night all the Aldermen the exception of A decided that \$50 raised for the put new public school astern part o will also be made of a new City H were also made ment of the Army Band, which city in the near f A committee w the purpose of Hon. Mr. White, ance, who will lay of the new Post Thursday afternoc reason that the He not able to be pr Finance Co Your Committee leave to report as The Finance second conferenc mittee of the Public consisting of Lieut Capt. M Cutcliffe a in reference to ra amount of money

chool on what is Rawdon Street School Board pur siderable time ago. into the matter very finance Committee sentatives of the Sc were present at the an understanding whereby, the school board has the sum of \$50,000 to build a



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	hard, for the wrong-doer invariably You hand good-by contract for you, heating plant into our schools. I have got kids of our own, and	fort will be made to
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	ed during the past few weeks. Here "Do vou work for and Carlin, the heating pany and showed them the bandwrit, at his home that night and saw nim	London, last night, w
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	treasurer for the Blank Heating com- "Hardly" I gold that extent it isn't hard to find him and bring him up to Gorman's house	Miss Pankhurst, wh
	pany. If you will spend more time in who is responsible for the and get him to tell the story shout	completed term of im
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