

LOCAL OPTION BULLETIN

Meaford, Ont. Dec.

Meaford is NOT Tired of Local Option

A circular with the heading, "Meaford Tired of Local Option," has been issued by the "Personal Liberty League of Ontario," and purporting to give certain facts in the interest of the liquor traffic, and against Local Option, by reproducing the signatures of a number of Meaford's citizens.

Among the names of the thirty, 2 live out of town, 2 have been before the courts for alleged infringement of the Liquor License Act, and 1 is an ex-wine clerk.

On the other hand, no signatures appear from the following places of business, namely, 2 banks, 4 drug stores, 7 manufacturing places (employing 325 hands at least), 1 mill and electric light plant, 1 tannery, 2 evaporators, 4 blacksmith shops, 2 barber shops, 2 harness-makers, 2 tailor shops, 1 butcher (the other two butchers are represented as merchants on the wet list), 26 merchants, including dry goods and groceries, 1 restaurant, moving picture establishment, 2 market gardeners, 2 hotels, 2 newspapers, 4 implement, 4 fishing fleets and 5 drovers.

All of these places the Antis evidently failed to get, which, with a few exceptions, practically represent the actual business interests of the town. Then again:

- Of Meaford's 4 Physicians not one signed the wet dodger. Of Meaford's 3 Dentists not one signed the wet dodger. Of Meaford's 3 Lawyers not one signed the wet dodger. Of Meaford's 14 Teachers, Public and High School, not one signed the wet dodger. Of Meaford's 8 Councilmen (including the Mayor) not one signed the wet dodger. Of Meaford's women, not one signed the wet dodger. Of Meaford's 4 J.P.'s only one signed the wet dodger.

These facts, which are regarded as absolutely correct by a committee of business and professional men, in contrast with the statement of the anti dodger, may be left to the judgment of all interested in the situation.

In view, therefore, of the above, it would appear that Meaford would be the last place on earth for any Anti-Local Option sympathizer to get any hope, from a business standpoint, for the public sentiment in favor of Local Option is steadily growing among the business men of the town.

(Signed) JOSEPH S. COOK For Local Option Committee.

P.S.—In addition to the above, no signatures were obtained by the Antis from either of the two large Hardware establishments. And the only veterinary in town is a strong supporter of Local Option.

(Signed) LOCAL OPTION COMMITTEE

Dr. James L. Gordon Well Known in Brantford, Will Speak at

Local Option Mass Meeting

IN THE GRAND OPERA HOUSE Sunday, Jan. 2nd, 1916 at 3:45 p. m. and 8:00 p. m. COME ALL!

BELGIANS RECEIVING THEIR DAILY RATIONS



Provided by the Belgian Relief Fund Good white bread, made from Canadian and American wheat, and thick, nourishing soup, are distributed daily to the destitute Belgian families by the neutral Relief Commission, acting through the Belgian Committee National. This daily distribution is all that saved millions from starvation, and to keep it up nearly \$2,000,000 a month is required in contributions.

USE COURIER WANT ADS

THE DIAMOND FROM THE SKY

The hotel Blair had been stopping at was near the depot, and he was proceeding leisurely toward the station when he was aware that he was being followed by a hulking panhandler. He turned and faced the fellow. It was Luke Lovell, a gypsy, that Blair had seen several times in and around Fairfax.

"It's a surprise to meet you here, Mr. Stanley," said the fellow. "I am out seeing the world; I am not a gypsy any more." "No, you're a tramp now," replied Blair contemptuously.

"I'll admit I have tramped," returned Lovell, not at all abashed. "I have tramped to some good purpose. I have tramped a couple of thousand miles, and now that I meet up with you I can tell you I know something you'd give a good many thousand dollars to hear, because it would be worth money and more than money to you if you knew it."

Blair regarded the gypsy tramp with a sneer. "It is funny," he said, "you gypsies can tell everybody's fortune but your own."

"Gypsies sometimes tell their own fortunes, too," retorted Lovell. Then a sudden idea seized him. "What a fool I am!" he cried. "Why, if I told you what I know you'd take advantage of it, but you'd never give me a cent. The secret I have is one that I will be paid to keep and not to tell." And laughing sardonically the gypsy turned upon his heel and swaggered away.

"It's queer what boozes will do to them," thought the cynical Blair. "It's a wonder he didn't try to borrow a dollar from me; I believe that's the price the gypsies ask to tell a man's fortune. They tell women's fortunes cheaper." And he shrugged his shoulders and forgot the incident in musing over Vivian's desertion of himself and wondering how his mother would treat him in Richmond.

But while her erstwhile husband is traveling toward Richmond the vivacious Vivian, installed luxuriously at the best hotel, has wired her friend, Mr. Abraham Bloom, that she is in Los Angeles and, having got rid of Blair Stanley, hopes to find some trace of the diamond from the sky. Of course she has telegraphed for funds to Mr. Bloom as well.

In due time she receives an answering message. Mr. Bloom gallantly notifies her that he is telegraphing her \$500 and that he expects her to stay in the far west, in the big cities near where the train robbery was committed, for the purpose of locating the great jewel which Mr. Bloom is determined to possess.

In Richmond Mrs. Stanley still maintains her attitude of kindly interest in Esther. Mrs. Randolph is overjoyed to have a protegee of Esther's distinction of appearance and youth. While Hagar is placed in a sanitarium under the best of care Esther feels that she has at last found friends in her loneliness, and she keeps up a good heart in the hope that her foster mother will be restored to reason. Often she appeals to the doctors to save her mother's reason.

She hopes also Arthur will return and be cleared from the suspicion of guilt that attaches to him since his flight under the accusation of being the murderer of her guardian, Dr. Lee. But Esther little dreams that the habits of thought and the cold ambition of a lifetime are not easily changed. Blair Stanley's mother, in her austere way, has been kind to Esther. It is true, and the frivolous Mrs. Randolph is kind, and also generous.

But Mrs. Randolph is only a tool in the hands of her relative, Mrs. Stanley, and Esther but the destined victim of Blair's mother's secret purposes. The one real friend that Esther has

by, but Esther is at the window of her room each day to see him pass, and they have arranged a signal should ever Esther need this humble, faithful friend.

The signal is a vase of roses. When this is placed upon the window sill Quabba knows it is a sign that Esther needs him, and day by day he passes and is relieved to see that the signal is not displayed and all is well.

Esther, for the sake of the absent Arthur, on whom her thoughts constantly dwell, has carefully hidden the documents at Stanley hall that she found in Hagar's strong box. She has said no word to those around her that would indicate she deems herself to be other than the gypsy daughter of the mentally clouded gypsy woman whom the surgeons of Richmond hope to restore to reason such time as she



Esther in Richmond Society.

is in condition for the perilous operation that will be necessary to effect this.

But Esther knows she is a Stanley of Stanley hall. It does not lessen her affection for the afflicted gypsy woman she has known as her mother.

Esther does not even attempt to judge the motives that actuated Hagar Harding in revenge for having been deprived of her own child, who was reared as heir of Stanley, while she, Esther, the true Stanley, though a girl and heir to no great title beyond the pen, was brought up in the lavishly furnished surroundings of a gypsy camp. But she thought that she is a Stanley of Stanley hall, though it be not known nor acknowledged, brings a glow of pride and courage to Esther's heart.

She attributes Mrs. Stanley's sudden and substantial kindness to her to the fact that Mrs. Stanley has more than a suspicion of who she rightly is. But she and Blair's mother have tacitly ignored the matter. Esther only knows that her love for Arthur is greater than her pride at being a Stanley of Stanley hall.

She would rather arm her heart with patience and let events shape themselves as a happy fate will decree, she hopes. Her dreams and hopes are all to one end, and that is that Arthur will return, all suspicion removed, and take his place as heir to Stanley. She does not know how to reconcile this hope and dream with Mrs. Stanley's attitude. But at present Mrs. Stanley's attitude is kind, and Esther waits, possessing her soul with patience and her heart with hopes and dreams.

Marmaduke Smythe, the English lawyer, has given up his search for the heir to the Stanley earldom in disgust. He has left the matter in the hands of Detective Tom Blake and departed for England. In his last interview with Detective Blake Smythe stated his opinion of Quabba generally, and the Yankee Stanleys in particular.

"I can conscientiously say that I do not believe the climate of this country is conducive to a titled aristocracy. Even the so called landed gentry are a queer lot," said Lawyer Smythe. "When I was here eighteen years ago to verify the birth of the Yankee heir to the earldom I was in danger of my life, I assure you. I had hardly returned to England when I learned of Colonel Stanley dropping dead and Judge Stanley being shot or tomahawked in the mountains by natives, whether relatives or savage Redskins or a blackamoor tribe nobody will ever know. For my part I shall return to England and look after the estates, and if this young Arthur Stanley is caught and hanged for murdering Dr. Lee, whom I remember as a rather decent old chap, why, the next of kin, who is also a ticket of leave man or something of that sort, can come over and claim the earldom."

"As for this diamond from the sky, so called, I believe it is all a hoax. I am going back to England and look through the archives at Stanley castle with the hope of establishing a blood line in England that may get the house of lords to acknowledge its claim to the earldom and cut out these blood-thirsty Yankee Stanleys and their blooming big diamond!"

But every day at a certain hour Quabba goes by the Randolph house, up the quiet side street. He does not pause to play his vulgar tunes in such hallowed precincts. He slips quietly

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USE COURIER WANT ADS.

The Diamond
From the Sky

By **ROY L. MCCARDELL**

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In one of the Pullmans Vivian Marston, who was now Mrs. Blair Stanley—the two traveling as "Mr. and Mrs. Guy Peyton"—were among those held at pistol point. An envious woman passenger to whom Vivian had shown the diamond from the sky had betrayed the fact she possessed it. Despite her pleadings, cajolings and even curses—curses that were chorused by the chagrined Blair—the chuckling robbers bore off the great gem with their other booty. Laden with a sack of valuables, and taking also \$100,000 in bank notes from the express messenger, the robbers decamped.

Within a few hours the sheriff and his posse of deputies and railroad detectives were hot on the trail, and "John Powell," sheep herder, after being lionized a few brief moments, was back at his lonely occupation.

Vivian, despoiled of the jewel for which she would have risked her soul, reproaches herself and her raging bridegroom that they did not die gloriously in defending it. In her bitter rage Vivian taunts Blair by telling him she only married him to gain the diamond, and, now that it is gone, he must go and regain it or see her no more.

In vain he protests. She threatens to give him over to the police and deserts him at Los Angeles and writes to Abe Bloom in Richmond telling of the loss of the diamond and asking for funds. The deserted and raging Blair pawns what possessions the train robbers have left him, and under his assumed name of Peyton hides in a mean hotel after writing to his relative, Mrs. Burton Randolph, to intercede for him with his mother.



Like Edmond Dantes He Cries, "The World is Mine!"

horse drops dead in its tracks. As this horse falls the treasure sack with the banknotes falls half under the dying animal.

The bulk of its prostrate body masks the treasure sack of banknotes and hides it from view of the posse that gallops almost over the dead horse's hoofs as the pursuit of the three surviving desperadoes goes on.

A month later John Powell, sheep herder, is sent to the desert to find a strayed flock. Beneath the skeleton of a buzzard's feast, a dead horse, he finds the stolen treasure. In a wild frenzy of hysterical delight John Powell remembers "Monte Cristo," which, as the wild young master of Stanley hall, he had read with greedy eagerness. And so, like Edmond Dantes, he stands erect and cries in the burning desert waste, "The world is mine."

The diamond is lying near. It gleams in the sun on the desert sand, among rattlesnakes and cacti, but John Powell, blinded with the treasure that he grasps from the bones of a mauling horse, sees it not. And there it lies! Who will get it next?

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SYNOPSIS OF PRECEDING CHAPTERS.

A feud has existed between Colonel Arthur Stanley and his cousin, Judge Lamar Stanley, over an heirloom, the diamond from the sky, found in a fallen meteor by an ancestor. Also, the succession to the Stanley earldom in England may come to an American. When Blair Stanley is born to the colonel and the mother dies, the colonel buys a gypsy boy and substitutes him. Three years later the gypsy mother, having had no part in this bargain, steals the girl, being reared in secret, and leaves her son undetected as the heir. The gypsy has obtained possession of the diamond from the sky, and a document with the Stanley secret. When Esther is grown a beautiful young girl, Hagar, now gypsy queen, returns to Virginia with her. Dr. Lee, the late Colonel Stanley's friend, adopts Esther, but demands that Hagar turn over to him the diamond from the sky. Arthur Stanley, son of Hagar, falls in love with Esther and so does his companion and cousin, Blair Stanley, right male heir of Stanley. In stealing the diamond Blair causes the death of the doctor. Outside of Arthur sending Esther, Blair, escaping, infers that he has left Esther's room. Arthur forces him to duel in the desert. Blair is only stunned. He tries, with the aid of his mother, to place the blame for the murder of Dr. Lee upon Arthur, who now has the diamond. The sheriff attempts to take Arthur, but he eludes his pursuers and joins Hagar, who reveals his identity and aids him for his wild life. Needing money, he pawns the diamond in Richmond. Blair is in Richmond, and he, too, is forced to visit the pawnshop. At a ball, at which a supposed New York belle is the guest of honor, they are stunned to find the diamond on the visitor. She is an adventuress who has borrowed it.

Luke Lovell, Hagar's gypsy guard, steals the diamond and to avoid detection drops it into a mail box. A sheriff tries to arrest Arthur on the murder charge. He escapes from Richmond on a freight train. The diamond passes into a mail bag, picked up by Quabba, organ grinder. Quabba's monkey steals the diamond. Arthur seeks for it at a farm. Hagar takes Esther to live at Stanley hall. An old time tournament is held. Arthur attends in disguise, but is later betrayed by Blair to the sheriff. By using daring horsemanship Arthur escapes. Later he leaves the farm. Tom Blake, a detective hired by Blair, is under the impression of convicting Blair. Hagar proposes silence to Mrs. Stanley as the price of Hagar's and Blair's being received in Fairfax society. Blair strikes down Hagar and steals the fingerprints, and money from his mother. The diamond is found by a negro boy and is taken by a train. The latter is murdered by Hung Li. It is stolen just as a slumming party enters Hung Li's den. Hagar, mentally unbalanced by Blair's blow, is again with Esther among the gypsies. Marmaduke Smythe, lawyer, arrives to announce Arthur is heir to the deceased Earl of Stanley. Learning Arthur is a fugitive he seeks Blair instead. To win Vivian, Blair steals the diamond, later marrying her and leaving for the west. Their train is robbed, Vivian losing the diamond, which a slain train robber takes in the desert. The \$100,000 he stole is found by Arthur, now known as John Powell, sheep herder. Vivian deserts Blair, telling him he must regain the diamond for her. Luke Lovell, driven from camp after learning Hagar's secret, tries in vain to sell it to Mrs. Stanley, and he leaves to seek Blair. Hagar is under treatment and Esther is in Richmond society, protégée of Mrs. Stanley, who suspects her real name, and Mrs. Randolph, Abe Bloom, gambler, who knows Blair's guilt, covets the diamond and calls it the price of his secrecy.

CHAPTER XXI.
"The Web of Destiny."

REGGIE at the Van Marston's cool dismissal of him after admitting she had married him only to gain possession of the diamond from the sky, Blair Stanley was not wholly pleased at receiving money from his mother in Richmond and news that he might return.

He had half a mind not to go back to Richmond, but he felt sure that there was small hope of getting trace of the diamond now that it had fallen into the clutches of the train robbers. "But if Vivian gets it—and she will get it if she hears of it—and such a gem will make its presence known," he thought, she must send for me.

"Only as my wife can she hope to have any claim on the Stanley heirloom. And if she will not have me without the diamond she will have to have me with it!"

So Blair Stanley paid his bill at the second rate Los Angeles hotel and, taking his valise, proceeded to the depot to take the train back east. He wondered if anything had been heard in Richmond or Fairfax of the missing Arthur Stanley, the rightful heir.

He smiled as he thought of Arthur's quixotic nature in fleeing as a fugitive accused of a crime he was guiltless of—the murder of Dr. Lee.

"I would like to see myself he such a fool simply because I had gone broke through wasting my money," was Blair's inward comment. He had always hated his debaucher supposed cousin, although he had always disguised it, but now his hatred was mingled with contempt.

(To be continued.)

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