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LEAPED INTO A SNOWDRIFT.

The Engineer Thought That the Boiler Was Going to Blow Up. Owing to the heavy drift, along the G.P.R. tracks from Detroit, east an assistant engine was attached to the rear of the afternoon express which left that city for the east Thursday.

Mogul No. 3, which was in charge of the engine, was blowing, became unmanageable shortly after pulling out of London.

The valves appeared to be clogged, and the indicator showed that the boiler was getting on top of a crack waiting for assistance. Other than having his nerves shaken up, Dowling escaped without injury.

THE MINING INDUSTRY.

Adopt Several Resolutions Concerning Canada's Interests. MONTREAL, Feb. 24.—The Mining Convention was continued to-day. Before closing the convention adopted a number of resolutions...

LIVERY STABLE BURNED.

Nine Horses Were Smothered, Including a valuable Trotter. CLINTON, Ont., Feb. 24.—The second fire of this year took place here this morning at 6 o'clock. D.B. Kennedy's big livery was badly damaged by fire. Nine very fine horses were smothered, including Dr. Turnbull's fine driver. Four horses were saved and all other contents on stock and building 8000 each.

The Pope's Jubilee.

ROME, Feb. 24.—Owing to the exhaustion attendant upon the audience and other functions which the Pope has given since his accession to the papacy, the Pope's medical advisers have directed His Holiness, as a matter of precaution, to remain in his apartments for the present, and the audience appointed for to-day and to-morrow have been postponed.

The Reading Collapse.

PHILADELPHIA, Pa., Feb. 24.—The only announcement of importance made to-day by the receivers of the Reading R.R. Company was to the effect that, pending the receipt of orders from the court, the payment of interest upon the preference bonds would be discontinued.

Local Notings.

St. Paul's Catholic Literary Society will give an open meeting at the hall, Foster street, on March 1. A committee of the Ladies Oregon Association have arranged for a supper, concert and dance on Thursday, March 9, their first anniversary.

Grace Church, Elm-street. Service at 11 and 7. The pastor will preach in the evening. Subject—Eden and Bethel. Look out for Webb's employes, great concert, ball and supper at the Pavilion on Monday, March 15, next.

Assistant Treasurer Patterson received a check for \$7282.80 yesterday from the City of Toronto. The U.C. boys are expected to do their best as a great number of young lads have declared their intention of being present.

Mr. "Turk" Hall's Clow has received the first batch of the season of the new "Homestead Farm," Pine Grove. Spring lamb and mint sauce will be served at "Clow" on Wednesday, March 1.

The best seven of the Limestone Hockey Club of Kingston will meet the crack team of the Upper Canada Hockey Club on Victoria ice, when a most exciting game is expected. The U.C. boys are expected to do their best as a great number of young lads have declared their intention of being present.

Dickson & Townsend, 15 King-street west, will offer for sale at noon to-day a 20 foot lot in York-street, in a fine building. Considerable speculation is going on in York-street. The new Union Station and also its proximity to the new Court House.

George Hayward, 501 Ossington-avenue was buried by a caving-in of a large mass of frozen earth at the Junction Grand pit yesterday, and but for the timely aid of other workmen there would have been little chance of his release or hope of his recovery. He was removed to his home.

The Canadian Foresters are to be congratulated on securing such a splendid array of artists for their concert March 9 next. Clara Barnes Holmes of Buffalo, Mr. Harold Jarvis, Detroit, and the other artists engaged will certainly make up a very attractive program. Last year the audience numbered 1380 and the Pavilion is sure to be crowded on this occasion.

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HAMILTON'S RACE PROGRAM.

A GOOD LIST OF EVENTS FOR M. C.'S THREE DAYS.

Winnipeg's Hockey Aggregation Secured to the Victoria-Osgoode Celebration—Another Championship Scouting Scheme—General Sporting Gossip.

The club settled the program for the opening of the park in June. There will be three days races, six events each day. The purses aggregate over \$2500, which is very liberal for a new association.

The program is a good one, and there will be three days of fine racing. The events are as follows: First day, June 1—Open steeplechase, \$200.

HANDICAP DECLARATIONS.

Horses that will not start in the Suburban and Volanteer.

New York, Feb. 24.—Secretary Fellows of the Coney Island Jockey Club sends out the following declaration for the Suburban and Volanteer handicaps to be decided the opening week of the meeting at the Sheepshead track.

Suburban Handicap—Longstreet, Kingston, Yorkville Belle, Miss Simon, El Diablo, Candalaria and Home.

Volanteer Handicap—St. Francis, Eagle Bird, Kinglet, Mendicant and Roche.

Character's Waterloo Cup. The Waterloo Cup began Wednesday at Alton near Liverpool, this being the 57th year of the event.

How Jersey's Race Bill Became Law. The racing bills in New Jersey and the methods used to secure their passage through the Assembly have furnished a theme for discussion in every place frequented by turfmen.

Second Day of Races at Kingston. Kingston, Feb. 24.—Three minute class—Maud D. 1, Bessie M. 2, Bayonet 3.

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St. Thomas, Ont., Feb. 24.—The preliminary examination of George E. Young, charged with the murder of Fred Gilling, was held at Lawrence Station today.

POOR GEORGIE.

He Put His Tongue to an Iron Fence, and It Froze There.

deer editor—I can not talk. I have had a awful time since I rode 2 u the last time. I not hit. I had aint it cold. an I sed ved. and bil sed, I hair got a noo trik? wat is it, I sed.

SWEEPSTAKES RACING.

Dan Galanagh Has a Scheme to Decide the Sculling Championship.

World's Fair Races. At such places as the World's Fair, the details of the races to be held at the exposition are of great interest.

HANLAN AND ROSS MATCHED.

To Scull Five Miles on May 30 for the Fox Cup and \$1000.

Queen Victoria will send to the Chicago Exhibition a water-color, a picture of Spot (her favorite Scotch terrier), and various sketches of Belmont.

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THE GOLD ROOM KEY.

The night mail from Paris passed into the night station only five minutes late. The usual scrambling exodus of passengers began to get a start at the buffet before the steamer was due to start.

My employment as a traveling clerk to an express company, whose business is to convey between Paris and London valuables entrusted to it by clients. I was more than usually anxious that night, because it was marked by the inauguration of a new system. Hitherto the valuables had been placed by one of us in the gold room rented by our company on the steamer; the room had been carefully locked, and the property had been left to take care of itself till it got to Dover, where it was met by another official of the company, who was provided with a duplicate key.

The captain of the boat was also in possession of keys in case it should be necessary for the safety of the ship to enter the gold room.

These precautions, however, had proved insufficient. Although the locks on the gold room door were safety ones of the most approved kind, in fact they had been obtained, false keys had been manufactured, and robberies had been frequent—perpetrated, without the title marking, the passage across the channel by a gang of expert thieves.

In consequence an official was to accompany in future every consignment and keep watch and ward at the gold room door.

That night the consignment was of small bulk but of extraordinary value. It consisted of two tin boxes, the titles and contents notes on the Bank of France sent to the Bank of England in payment for a purchase of half a million sovereigns; the other box contained negotiable bonds, with coupons attached, of the new Turkish loan—the property of the largest financial house in the world.

The bonds were worth £200,000, so that my total charge amounted to \$750,000.

Two of the company's porters had accompanied me from Paris to assist in shipping the boxes. As I stood on the platform watching my men, a handsome gentleman in a blue frock coat and a top hat, who was the treasurer of the company, stepped up to me and said: "You cross to-night under the new arrangement, Mr. Dutton, I think," he whispered.

"That is so," I replied. "Have you taken stock of my fellow-passengers?" "Yes," he said, "and I have not spotted any suspicious characters so far. Ah! stand aside there, mon ami; make way for me," and the detective pulled me gently back a step to allow a solemn procession to pass along the platform to the gangway of the steamer.

A couple of railway porters were carrying a sick woman, by whose side walked a tall man. Two other porters followed wheeling a truck of unmistakable feminine luggage.

The detective stepped quickly to the side of the truck and the ladies painted in large white letters on one of the packages.

"Mme. La Comtesse de Brune," he said, as he rejoined me. "It is not a title which I am familiar. Mon cher, it might be as well if you had a better design with that lady's whereabouts on the boat."

"What! Have you cause for suspicion?" I asked.

"Not in the least. I did not recognize either the grand dame or her maid. Only when one comes to the unknown to us of the French police it makes one cautious, that is all, my friend. Bon voyage."

The detective moved away, and I followed my men on board the boat, each carrying one of the boxes. On the gangway I met the captain, to whom I handed the keys of the gold room.

"Hallo, my boy," he said. "So you're going with me. It's a good job, you'll relieve me from a lot of responsibility. I got my new key for your precious new lock from the agent to-day, but I've hit on a better design than all the locks in the world. Just come along with me."

Capt. Temple led the way below. I followed with my men. The gold room was situated on the main deck, in a little recess at the saloon.

It was about 10 feet square, and was approached by a narrow passage five yards long, running out of the saloon, in which as we passed through, I noticed the invalid lady and her attendant being ushered into a stateroom by the stewardess.

The stateroom was the nearest to the gold room passage—a fact which further impressed upon me the hint given by the detective.

The captain opened the door of the gold room with his key, and my men deposited the boxes on the floor. Capt. Temple waited till I had dismissed them, and then stepped down in another corner of the room and pulled at a small trap which protruded through a hole.

When he had got enough wire to make a fair-sized loop he stepped into the room, pulled at the wire, and the door swung round and I noticed the invalid lady and her attendant being ushered into a stateroom by the stewardess.

"There, Dutton, be seated. Now if any one touches that box I shall know it up on the bridge as soon as you will in the saloon there—sooner if you don't happen to spot them going in."

I complimented the skipper on his ingenuity, though I made the mental reservation that on occasions when I happened to be on duty his electric bell would never be used. I did not make my eye off that passage during the voyage.

The captain put the other box on the top of the one to which the wire was attached, and after a last look round we looked the door, this time with my key, to make sure that the new lock answered satisfactorily to both of them.

It was a fine night and the saloon was nearly empty, most of the passengers preferring the fresh air on deck. One respectable old gentleman, evidently a clergyman, was immersed in a book at the table that ran down the center of the saloon; but with these exceptions all the occupants of the place were ladies, and not many of them.

In my immediate vicinity only one lady was sitting, and I paid very little attention to her, all my thoughts being concentrated on the gold room door, with just half a wink now and then towards the invalid lady's cabin.

But it soon came to my notice that the lady near me was in trouble of some kind. From my position I could see her without turning round, and I noticed that she kept her hand in her hands and appeared to be shaken with suppressed sobbing.

At length she raised her face and looked at me. Her eyes were red with weeping, and there were tears on her cheeks. She was quite young and very pretty—too pretty to be travelling alone, I thought.

There was a pleading expression in her eyes as she looked at me, which half begged that she should receive some service at my hand, though I quite made up my mind not to grant it, whatever it might be. It should take me from my post for one single instant. Beauty in distress was a decoy not altogether unknown in the annals of crime, and, at the risk of impoliteness, I would avoid all chance of becoming a victim.

Hesitating and struggling with emotion the girl opened her lips and essayed to speak. The words seemed to come with difficulty, and were almost inaudible. "May I ask you to give me your attention for a moment?" she stammered. "Believe me, it is on a matter of great importance."

"I am on duty here," I answered, "and I cannot come over to you. You had better come to a little nearer."

"It is about your duty I wish to speak," she said, "and my duty is to tell you that I have just taken a seat by my side. You are in charge of the gold room, are you not?"

"Yes," I said shortly, not knowing what to expect.

She paused for a moment and then went on, speaking hurriedly in a whisper. "I wish to save my brother from the perpetration of a great crime," she said. "The cups of wicked men—of Red Jen, the notorious boat thief, and his gang—there is a plot on foot to steal the valuables from the gold room to-night. A thousand times better for my poor brother to suffer punishment at the hands of the law for a first unsuccessful attempt than to become a hardened criminal. Oh, sir, stop him in time, and be as merciful as your duty will permit."

The young lady need have no apprehension lest I should fail to stop the robbery, I said to myself. Then I asked aloud, "Where is your brother, then?"

"In the gold room at this moment," was the reply which took my breath away. "Impossible!" I exclaimed. "I have not moved from this spot since the gold room door was locked."

"My brother slipped into the passage just after we started, while you were looking at the cabin door. He was concealed under the saloon table. And you do not know Red Jen, sir. He has master keys that will fit any lock."

I was puzzled sorely. I felt as sure as a man could feel that no one could have passed into the passage without my seeing him. And again, if there was some one in the gold room tampering with the boxes, how was it that the captain's hoarse electric bell had not warned him up on the bridge?

However, my duty was obvious. I must unlock the door, and see for myself if anything was wrong. I drew the key from my pocket and approached the door, followed by the weeping girl, who now began to show signs of repeating her confidence in me.

"He is only a lad, sir, only a lad. Spare him if you can, and remember that I, his sister, prevented the robbery."

I put the key in the lock, and the heavy door swung back, opening inwards. There was no light in the place beyond what reached it from the saloon, and in the dim corner I could see the boxes just as we had left them. But there was no robber.

I took a step forward to look behind the door, in case, perchance, he was lurking there, and then in a moment I knew that I was done.

Little arms stole round my neck and pressed a filthy plaster of some substance over my mouth; several pairs of strong hands gripped me from behind and cast me to the floor.

As I fell the door of the gold room swung to, and all was darkness.

But only for a second. A silent match shone on strange company.

Kneeling on my knees and binding me with a vigor which ill assorted with her assumed character was the "sick countess," whom I had seen carried on board.

"Helping to hold me down was the tall maid who had walked by her side, while covering me with the shining barrel of a revolver was the girl who had induced me to open the door—a horrid grin on her face in place of tears."

"There you are, friend Dutton," said the "countess," who was no other than Red Jen himself. "I think you will do now, for the few minutes we shall require you. What a pity it is that your people have been so smart. Yes, that nice new lock compelled us to get you to be so obliging as to open the door for us. Look alive with the pigmies, Bill, and get on with your make-up."

I was half dazed with the suddenness of the attack, but my senses were rapidly clearing, and I was beginning to appreciate the value of Capt. Temple's electric bell. Whatever happened to me, I thought, the boxes would be all right—the alarm would ring directly they were touched.

I was soon to be undeceived. I was held against the wall by the powerful hands of Red Jen, looking strangely fantastic in his female dress.

The tall "maid," who had been addressed me, Bill, rapidly divested herself of her top clothing. Then my clothes were taken from me and Bill put them on, standing revealed as last in his proper character of a nearly built young man of about my own height.

As soon as he was dressed in my clothes he took up an actor's paint box, and proceeded to make sundry alterations in his face. But by his likeness grew rapidly in front of me stood a counterpart of myself—a counterpart that my own mother might have mistaken for the original.

"Now, Mr. Dutton," said Red Jen, "don't see our little game, perhaps. My friend Bill here will relieve you of your coat me, the sick Countess de Brune, back to her cabin while the coast is clear. Next, isn't it?"

"Yes," I said; but what are you going to do with me?"

"Ah! my dear friend," he replied, with a horrid grin on his painted face, "that is the sad part of it. You have got to die, Dutton. I'm sorry, but \$200,000 is worth a man's life. Bill, where's that knife? Nobody would be likely to hear the pistol down here, but it's best to make sure."

My counterpart drew a glittering dagger from the clothes he had removed and gave it to Red Jen.

"There was but one chance for me, and that was to ring the electric bell. To shout would be to incur certain death, and the odds were that in that out-of-the-way place, the rush of water and the noise of the paddles, no one would hear my cry."

"But how to get free in time?"

"I suppose you will give me two minutes to make my peace?" I said.

"Oh, yes, if you think it worth while to prolong the agony," said the thief "only be quiet about it."

"It may seem odd to you, but I have scruples about these matters," I said.

"Would you object to loosening this strap round my legs so that I can kneel? You see it is impossible to escape with the door locked and three of you here."

"I'm the best-natured fellow in the world," replied the bloodthirsty scoundrel, and he accepted and unhooked the strap. "There, get to your prayers, and don't be long about it. You can use your precious bond-boxes as a desk, if you like."

In those last words he sealed his own fate and that of his companions.

Outwardly calm, but in reality trembling with excitement, I assumed a devotional attitude in the corner of the gold room, resting my elbows on the top of the upper-most box. With my knees I gently pushed the lower one so as to bring a strain on the wire.

Once, twice, thrice I pressed it; and then knelt on in prayer which it is very certain was not at all make-believe.

Red Jen, and his companions were whispering by the door, and from the scraps of conversation that reached me, I learned that my body was to be thrown overboard.

"Now, young man, time's up," said the principal villain at length, advancing to where I knelt, but as he did so I knew that I was saved.

There was a hurried rush of many feet outside, the door was opened, and followed by half a dozen men, burst in.

For a moment he was puzzled at the likeness between me and the robber known as Bill, but he soon grasped the situation. Red Jen and his gang will not trouble the Dover mail boats for many a day, and I have since heard that his accomplice, the "Kate," who so cleverly imposed upon me in the saloon, and afterwards held a pistol to my head—died in prison.

After all it was the captain's invention and not my care of the gold room key which

"German Syrup"

The majority of well-read physicians now believe that Consumption is a germ disease. In other words, instead of being in the constitution itself it is caused by innumerable small creatures living in the lungs having no business there and eating them away as caterpillars do the leaves of trees.

The plague that is coughed up is those parts of the lungs which have been gnawed off and destroyed. These little bacilli, as the germs are called, are too small to be seen with the naked eye, but they are very much alive just the same, and enter the body in our food, in the air we breathe, and through the pores of the skin. Thence they get into the blood and finally arrive at the lungs where they fasten and increase with frightful rapidity. Then German Syrup comes in, loosens them, kills them, expels them, heals the places they leave behind.

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