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CHAPTER XXII.—Continued.

Before he could reply the housemaid put in another word.

"Begging your pardon for speaking, after being told to hold my tongue, but it's something beginning with a 'B' as I saw it myself in a prayer book I came across accidental."

"So that is how you came by your information," said her master. "Something beginning with a 'B,' is it? Suppose you let me see the book?"

"Which I intended to have showed it to you at the first," she said, fumbling in her pocket and producing the well worn little volume, which she was about to hand to her master, when—

A sudden dart—a long arm stretched out, and a powerful hand wrested it from her.

"This is my property," exclaimed its owner, sternly. "The name written within may be mine or another's, but so long as I choose to keep it a secret—secret it shall remain."

"This is most extraordinary conduct!" exclaimed Mr. Ferrers, "most extraordinary! Under the circumstances, only one course is open to me. It is impossible for me to harbor under my roof one who has obtained admittance under a false name, and absolutely refuses any explanation. I must, therefore,"—assuming his severest expression, while the young man seemed to hold his breath as he waited for the sentence to be pronounced upon him—"I must, therefore, discharge you at once, and with a month's wages in lieu of the ordinary notice."

It was all up.

"When—when am I to leave?" inquired Ted, with eyes fixed upon the floor and heart beating furiously.

This question seemed to take the person to whom it was addressed unaware.

"When!" he answered; "why—oh, as soon as you can; or"—with a sudden change to a slightly more lenient tone, as he reflected that, after all, as the fellow himself had said, there might be reasons, not necessarily bad, for the concealment—"you can remain until tomorrow if you like."

Victory! Another night, which was all he required.

He could scarcely prevent himself from showing some signs of exultation. Ah! perhaps by this time tomorrow the situation might be changed. He might be the judge, and another—

"Stay one moment," Mr. Ferrers continued.

This time he addressed the woman Perkins, who had reached the door.

"As I have also a strong objection to persons who pry into other people's concerns and interfere with their private property, you may as well take a month's notice at the same time. That will do; you can go."

The biter was bit. She had not a word to say for herself. She had succeeded in wreaking her spite upon him who had despised her attractions and repulsed her overtures, but she had done it at the expense of a good situation. Moreover, the man whose disgrace she had labored to secure laughed in her face as he passed her.

CHAPTER XXIII.

The Envelope With Three Seals.

It was twelve o'clock on Friday night. The clock in the hall below had struck the hour. Another half hour ticked slowly away, and at the end of that time a door in the upper part of the house was opened softly and by imperceptible degrees.

The room within was in darkness and the figure of the man who cautiously emerged was barely visible in the general gloom.

He crept lightly on his stockinged feet past the doors of the rooms on the upper floor, and began to descend the staircase.

It was much in his favor, the stairs being so well and so massively constructed, that there was no startling and treacherous creak to betray the feet which trod them secretly in the dead of night. And so he made his way slowly and safely to the floor on which the room was situated into which he was minded to penetrate. After careful and noiseless search he succeeded in laying his hand upon a candle and a box of matches, which, earlier in the evening he had secreted in a convenient, but out-of-the-way corner.

He struck a match, and, lighting the candle, advanced towards the door of the apartment into the lock of which he inserted his duplicate key.

He entered and closed the door behind him, without, however, completely shutting it.

He put his candle down on the writing table while he considered what was to be done next. The waste paper basket first attracted his attention as being at once the nearest and one easiest object on which to exercise his powers of investigation.

It was about a quarter full of torn fragments, which he promptly emptied out before him. A rapid and cursory examination was sufficient to prove that these were of no importance. So he swept them back into their original receptacle.

The next thing to be done must be to tackle the writing table. How was this to be accomplished? Shocking to relate he produced from his pocket nothing less than—a bunch of skeleton keys!

To his great disappointment one after another of the drawers upon the right hand proved to be empty. He turned his attention to those on his left.

He put his hand to one and pulled out the tightly wedged contents. He spread it open; yes, it was a newspaper—some months old. What could be the reason for preserving it? A sudden thought—he looked at the date and then—Yes, there it was on the inside sheet, "Terrible Railway Accident! The 4:30 train from Dover wrecked and partially consumed!" There was a full account of that ghastly affair, with minute details of all the horrors—a recollection of which returned to him, most vividly as he scanned the column. He replaced the first, and took down another and another.

"Further details—number of bodies found—distressing scenes—the inquest—the verdict—mysterious discovery with regard to a first class passenger—foul play suspected! Verdict of Wilful Murder!" And so on and so on he retraced his way through the whole of that dark tragedy—wasting what he felt to be precious time, but unable to tear his attention away from these records of the past.

At last he rammed the paper back into the division hole, and turned his attention again to the drawer before him. When at at last yielded to his efforts, he was rewarded by the sight of a flatly folded packet of parchment, tied with tape—the identical last will and testament which he had heard spoken of so often by the cook. But this, though of interest in one way, was not that of which he was in search, and he began to feel a qualm of fear lest, after all, his quest should prove useless.

His eye, roaming restlessly about, was caught by the gleam of brass in a dark corner. The candle, which was sufficient to light him at his task, still left the greater part of the room in semi-darkness, and there was something over there, in that corner, which he had not taken into account.

It was an old fashioned piece of furniture—the only shabby and evidently second hand article in the room. It was an upright article and was divided into two portions, the lower containing drawers and the upper being shut in with doors, which were fitted with a brass lock and fastening.

It was old and much scratched, and had apparently seen considerable use; but must have been a good article originally. He took the candle in his hand and, crossing the room, inspected it closely. "There is a look about it"—holding the candle up higher—"as though it might have a history attached to it. It looks"—with a sudden impulse—"as though it might be trusted to keep a secret." He put the candle upon the mantelpiece close by and again resumed his burglarious operations. It shall soon be able to pass muster as an experienced housebreaker, at this rate," he remarked to himself, with grim irony, as the lock turned traitor, and the door, swinging open, revealed a number of drawers within, each one fitted with a lock and brass handle. Which should he attack first? Much time had already been wasted, and at that moment, as though in answer, the clock on the mantelpiece chimed three, while the clock in the hall without repeated the hour after its fashion.

"I will try the third first" he said, and inserted one of his skeleton keys into the lock. This drawer—the third in order from the top—on being opened showed itself, strangely enough, to contain three articles, all of a widely different character.

These were a large and bulky envelope, a revolver and a small bottle of colorless fluid. The young man could not repress an exclamation of surprise and triumph as his eye fell upon these.

The secret he had been in search of so long lay ready to his hand—the proofs of the crime were there waiting for him to grasp them. He knew it, and yet hesitated. The shock of the discovery seemed to paralyze his hand, so that for an instant he was unable to stretch forth and take possession of what he believed would make him master of a man's fate.

At last he put out his hand, which trembled as he did so, and took up the revolver. It was a six-chamber revolver, and a glance showed that one out of the chambers had been discharged.

A fierce, hungry look came over his face as he noticed this, and, laying the weapon down, he searched for something which he always carried about him—the conical shaped bullet which had been discovered in the stuffing of the fourth cushion from the engine. He dropped it into the empty chamber, which it fitted exactly.

"Proof number one!" he said, with grim joy, as he felt the dreadful thirst for blood return upon him with all its former strength. He laid the revolver down and took up the small stoppered bottle. What was this, and what bearing had its contents upon the matter? He removed the stopper and inhaled the contents carefully. A strong and unmistakable odor of bitter almonds greeted him. Prussic acid, beyond doubt! What did the point to? There seemed to be only one answer possible—Suicide! A means of escape provided in case of the worst happening. He replaced the stopper and placed the bottle by the side of the revolver, while he took up the third and last article. This was the envelope before mentioned. It was large and thick and sealed in no less than three places. On it in place of an address, were written the strange words: "To be burned, unopened, after my death."

To be burned, unopened after his death!—what did that mean? Why, if it were to be burned, unopened, had he put himself to the pains of writing it? For that the envelope contained the completed copy of the "true narrative and confession of the strange tragedy" he had not the least doubt. But why had he described it as the strange tragedy? Cowardly and detestable it might well be—but why strange?

"At any rate, so far from its being burned, unopened," he said, aloud, "I will now myself—"

He held the letter in one hand and, with the other he was about to break the seals, when a voice cried:

"Stop!"

(To be continued.)

FISH LIVE IN SCALDING LAKE.

Traveler Discovers Strange Species in Jaunt Through Guatemala.

Marcellin Pellet, a traveler who has recently returned from Guatemala, describes a curious species of fish, the Pacilia dorri, which he found in the boiling lake of Amatitlan. It passes its days literally "in continual hot water." So hot is the water of this lake, it is said, that to thrust one's hand into it means scalded fingers. Ebullition is, however, somewhat tempered, as the really boiling water rises to the surface, leaving a temperature of 35 degrees cent. at the level where the fish are found, which is even then exceedingly warm for cold-blooded creatures like fish.

Frank Buckland states in one of his works that the naturalist, Broussonet, found by experiments that some fresh water fish would live for several days in water so hot that a human being could not keep his hand in it for a minute.

De Saussure, the Swiss scientist, discovered living eels in the hot springs of Aix, the temperature of which averages 113 degrees Fahrenheit. Humboldt also saw fish thrown up from a volcano in South America.

Doctors Knew a Good Thing.

Congressman John Sharp Williams tells of a man in Mississippi who is a hypochondriac of the first order. This individual's failing is a source of never-ending amusement to his fellow townsmen. One day there was such some one humorously remarked, in answer to a question as to how the sick man was getting on, that "he complained that he was feeling somewhat better."

Mr. Williams says that the hypochondriac was one day telling a friend of his efforts to regain his old time health. He ran over the list of doctors whom he had consulted. Where upon the friend remarked:

"Well, old man, I must say that you appear to have lots of faith in doctors."

"Certainly I have," replied the sick man. "Don't you think the doctors would be foolish to let a good customer like me die?" — Colorado Springs Gazette.

Long Lines of Kings.

Though Japan be the latest country to enter the circle of world powers, her emperor surpasses all sovereigns in the length of his pedigree, according to the London Chronicle. He is the one hundred and twenty-second member of a direct, unbroken descent of his family who has sat on the throne of Japan. The founder of his house was, in Japanese legend, a goddess of the sun, and contemporary with Nebuchadnezzar, 666 years before the Christian era. On the other hand, the royal houses of Europe only since 1601, when they succeeded to the sovereignty of the then extinct house of Rurik. As for other European rulers, King Edward can go back to Cerdic, 395 A. D., the Hapsburgs to 952 A. D., and the Hohenzollerns to the eighth century, but as kings only to 1701.

Why It Wasn't Legal.

In the New York Law School at a recent lecture on the making of wills the case of a woman in one of Rider Haggard's books was cited. This woman in a man's will inscribed his ink on her back. And the will was held regular and legal because it had been made in writing.

After giving this practical illustration, the professor called on John Smith, saying:

"Is a will inscribed regular and legal in your opinion?"

"No," answered Smith.

"Why not?" asked the professor.

"Because it's a skin game," replied Smith.

The professor felt angry enough to order Smith out of the room, but the class laughed so much that he decided to overlook the student's flippancy.

Slur on Montana.

Henry H. Rogers, the Copper and Standard Oil magnate, was visited recently by one of his friends who has been under the weather for months. Mr. Rogers inquired kindly after the health of his caller.

"I have been staying down at Lakewood, N. J., for six months," was the reply, "and I've been pretty low. In fact I never was in so bad a state before."

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