DYNAMITE TRIO

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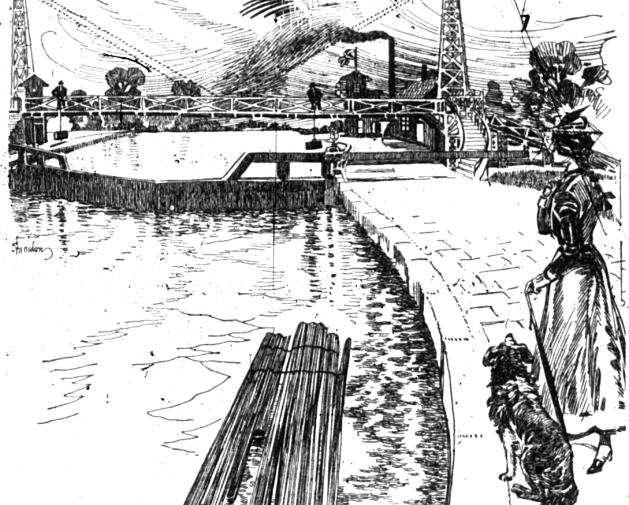
A True Story Unrevealed for Years.



AT EACH END OF THE LOCK STOOD ONE OF THE MEN AND EACH HAD A VALISE.

All, dark and forbidding, on the banks of the St. Lawrence river, loom the massive stone walls of Kingston penitentiary where the desperate criminals and all long term convicts of the Province of Ontario, Canada, are confined. Within its gloomy precincts, occupying separate cells, are three men whose sentences are for life. English law, just but merciless, has seized them in its iron grip, a grip never to be relaxed until the angel of death strikes the fetters from the limbs of the prisoners.

The crime for which these three men are undergoing expiation was no ordinary one. It involved a conspiracy against the British government by which, through the use of dynamite, a reign of terror was to be inaugurated throughout Canada, and thousands of innocent lives sacrificed. The intervention of fate, Providence—call it what you will—prevented the outrage from being successful, but the failure of the plot was not owing to any lack of zeal on the part of the human instruments employed to carry out the design. To Detective John Wilson Murray is due the credit of having gathered together the evidence which shed light on the past careers of the "dynamite trio." Evidence which proved them to be outside the rank of ordinary criminals who execute desperate deeds in the hope of financial gain, placed them in the category of men who would willingly wade through seas of blood to accomplish their political aims.

At seven o'clock on the evening of April 21, 1900, the little Canadian town of Thorold, lying along the waterway of the Welland canal, within easy walking distance of the Niagara frontier, was shaken to its foundation by two terrific explosions.

Masses of solid rock were torn up by the shock, immense spouts of water leaped high in the air, window panes were shattered into minute crystals and for a few awful seconds the firm earth trembled, as though in the throes of an earthquake. Fear, pallor around the people, terror stricken and amazed, waited dumbly for the aftermath, a descent of death and destruction, which would sweep them and their homes into the black chaos of oblivion. But it did not come, the blind gods of chance had averted a calamity almost too horrible to contemplate.

The Welland canal is the Dominion's channel of commerce between Lakes Erie and Ontario. Lock No. 24 is located at Thorold. Above it, in the canal, is a level about one mile long, 40 feet wide, and 20 deep, with a second level, No. 25, beyond it. There is a drop of 16 feet in the lock, and from it on to Lake Ontario, there is a series of drops, each level being lower, like a series of steps, down which the waters make their way. The gates of the Thorold lock hold in check 12,000,000 cubic feet of water, and the sudden smashing of the gates would have released this miniature sea and transformed it from an unruffled expanse of still water to a raging, roaring, furious torrent, surging in a deadly deluge over the lock, over the lower levels, obliterating their gates, freeing their floods of waters, raging over the Grand Trunk railroad tracks and spreading out into the valley of Ten Mile creek, wiping out homes, mining lands, devastating property, and ghastliest of all, completely destroying the town of Merriton and sacrificing hundreds upon hundreds of human lives. It would have paralyzed Canada's great waterway, prevented her water trade from the Great Lakes.

One of the eye-witnesses of the explosion was Miss Euphemia Constable, a 16 year-old girl who lived with her parents about 300 yards from the lock No. 24. She was going to see a friend across the canal about 6:20 o'clock, and when nearing the bridge, which is by the lock, caught sight of two men. One was walking down by the tool house to the far end of the lock. The other was standing at the end of the bridge, and then stepped over to the swing bridge. He laid down a valise he was carrying and got off the bridge just as the girl passed, within five feet of him. He had one hand on the valise and the other covering his face, but a sudden motion on his part revealed his features and she obtained a good view of them. He stepped through the side of the bridge and off from the middle, and carried the valise to the end of the lock.

Thus, at each end of the lock stood one of the men, and each had a valise. As Miss Constable walked past she heard the man farthest away cry: "Hurry on, Jack, or it will go off!" and he ran down the road leading to the falls. Turing her head the girl saw that the second man was tying a rope to the end of his valise. When it was secured he dropped the valise into the lock, sprang to onto the bridge and ran after the first man on the road to the falls.

Then came the thunderous roar of the first exploding charge. After the first shock Miss Constable lost consciousness and knew nothing of the second explosion. Both of the valises lowered into the lock contained dynamite. They were fired by fuses and the explosions were not quite simultaneous. They broke the castings on the head gate, tore up the banks on both sides of the lock, knocked people over who were sufficiently near, smashed windows and shook the country roundabout. Water surged upward in huge volumes, but the gates held. The dynamiters had blundered by lowering the dynamite into the gate pits instead of into the gate holes. Experts later showed that there was not sufficient resistance to the explosive matter, and this fact alone prevented the dire disaster that would have followed if the dynamite had done the work planned for it and had smashed the gates.

A third man who had been seen around with them before the explosion, and who was staying at the Rolf House, at the falls, was also arrested. The third suspect gave his name as Karl Dallman, and the two men first secured declared themselves to be John Nolin and John Walsh. The three prisoners were taken to Welland jail and guarded by soldiers, while other soldiers patrolled the canal. Murray, who had been sent for immediately after the explosion, arrived on the scene and hastened to the jail.

He communicated at once with Scotland Yard and sent descriptions and photographs of the prisoners to the police of London, England. Nolin and Walsh seemed unmistakably to be from across the sea, and Walsh had particularly the manner and speech of a man just over. In search of information regarding the movements of the men on this continent he visited New York and saw friends there, both in and out of the police business. He also made journeys to Philadelphia, Washington, Virginia and other points whither the trail led. The results of his persistent quest were as follows:

In the year 1894 three young men set sail for America. They were John Nolin, a young machinist, John Rowan, a mechanic, and John Merna, a mechanic. They arrived in New York and on May 17, 1894, Merna declared his intention of becoming a citizen of the United States, took out his first papers and gave his residence as No. 41 Peck slip, New York. Nolin went to Philadelphia.

The four Johns, after spending a few days in Philadelphia, went to New York. They stopped at the lodging house of John M. Kerr, 45 Peck slip, and hung about New York until December, 1899, when Rowan returned to Ireland, and went to work at his trade in Dublin. Nolin and Walsh applied to the South Brooklyn branch of the Amalgamated Society of Machinists for donation money, which amounts to $3 per week for those out of work, and the request was complied with by John A. Shearman, secretary of the society, who worked in the Pioneer Machine works in Brooklyn. In the latter part of this month Nolin, Walsh and Merna went to Washington, D. C. Nolin remained there a short time and then went on to Richmond, Va., where he obtained a job as fitter in a foundry.

On Christmas day, 1899, Merna went to work as bartender in a Washington saloon, at 212 Ninth street, of which Joseph McEnerney was proprietor, and on January 1 Walsh was given a similar position in the same saloon. They relieved each other at the bar and shared a room together over the saloon. They worked as bartenders for McEnerney through January and February and along into March, while Nolin stayed on in the Richmond foundry. Early in March Karl Dallman had registered at the Stafford house, in Buffalo, and had then gone away.

On Monday evening, March 12, Merna was found dead in his room over the saloon.

Somewhere about April 10, 1900, Nolin received a communication from a lodge to which he belonged, known in secret circles as the Napper Tandy club. It was a Clan-na-Gael organization and the members met at Tom Moore's hall, corner of Third avenue and Sixteenth street, in New York. Nolin and Walsh were both affiliated with this club, having been introduced into it by a man named Jack Hand, a sailor. Nolin's instructions, sent to him in Richmond, were to go to Washington, get John Walsh, and go with him to Philadelphia, where at the Philadelphia & Reading railroad station, at 7 p. m. on Saturday, April 14, they would meet a third man who would give them further instructions. Nolin obeyed the summons promptly and hastened to Washington from where, accompanied by Walsh, he went to Philadelphia as instructed. As they stood in the station at the appointed time a well-dressed, stout man came up and accosted them. Their replies being satisfactory the stranger said:

"I am the man you want to see," and engaged them in earnest conversation.

At the conclusion of their talk the stout man handed $100 to Nolin, with two railroad tickets and sleeping car coupons from Philadelphia to Buffalo, over the Lehigh Valley railroad. He then left them and Nolin and Walsh took the Lehigh Valley train for Buffalo. They arrived in the latter city at noon on April 15, went direct to the Stafford house and registered as John Smith of New York and Thomas Moore of Washington. They were assigned to room 88, and immediately ordered up drinks. While waiting for the refreshments there was a knock at the door, and Dallman stepped into the apartment. He introduced himself and a satisfactory understanding was reached between the trio. Dallman told them to prepare for an early start next day, and after breakfast on the following morning, April 16, he gave to Nolin and Walsh two canvas grips, or telescopes.

In each of these grips were about 80 pounds of dynamite, mixed to the consistency of stiff dough. Fuses were with each case, lying on top, but unattached. It was shortly after this that the near-catastrophe occurred.

Karl Dallman, the arch plotter in the conspiracy, turned out to be an even more picturesque character than Murray had suspected before commencing his investigations. For, following up one clue after the other, the detective became aware that the so-called Dallman of Trenton, New Jersey, was none other than Luke Dillon of Philadelphia, who had figured prominently in the world-famous Cronin case. Dillon was a member of the executive committee of the Clan-na-Gael, and defended that organization and publicly championed it, achieving more than national notoriety when, in his official capacity, he went to Chicago at the time of the murder of Dr. Cronin. At that time he denounced Alexander Sullivan, raised funds for the prosecution of those accused of Cronin's murder, advocated their throwing off of the oath of secrecy, so far as necessary, to run down the assassins, went on the witness stand, and by his testimony revealed the secret of the Triangle, the chief three who had ruled as the executive of the Clan-na-Gael; made public the charges against Sullivan and fought through out on the side of the anti-Sullivan wing. The identification was made absolute and final. Men who knew Luke Dillon, who had worked day by day near him, visited Karl Dallman and identified him positively as the former high official of the Clan-na-Gael.

But above all Murray's careful, unerring tracing of the chief suspect's career convinced the Canadian government that Dallman and Dillon were one. Originally Dillon was a shoemaker. In 1881 he was working at his trade at 639 Paul street, Philadelphia.

The members of the dynamite trio were brought up for trial on May 25, 1900. With the mass of damning evidence accumulated by Murray's patient efforts and submitted to the court, there could be but one result. As the clock struck six on the evening of May 26, the jury retired to consider the verdict. Four minutes later they re-entered court and the three prisoners were declared guilty. The dynamiters were sentenced to imprisonment for life and taken to Kingston penitentiary.

For two years after the trio entered upon their prison life the general public knew nothing of the identity of Karl Dallman. Then a Buffalo paper made known the fact, telling of his connection with the Cronin affair. The story was denied by some of Dillon's friends, who asserted that he had been killed during the South African war while fighting with the Boer army against the British. But the real, grim truth is that the once famous leader of the Clan-na-Gael is buried alive within the walls of Kingston penitentiary. He is no longer either Karl Dallman or Luke Dillon, for the inmates of that gloomy edifice are known by numbers, not names. Kings may die and empires pass away, but naught of the stir and bustle of the outside world enters into the colorless, somber existence of the men who made up the dynamite trio. For them all the plots and passions of restless humanity have ceased to be—are merged into the gray horror of a living death.

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The following is a partial list of Farms, City and Village Lots, and Real Estate generally which we have for sale. As our list is constantly changing, we request that parties will write us if they do not see what they want in this list.

5.

Elegant house and lot; 66 feet front and 20 rods deep on Maple Ave., East, (half an acre). First class and every modern convenience. Fine location for home or investment. Can be bought for what the buildings cost. Will exchange for improved city property for portion of the purchase price.

58

Village lots on Woodward Avenue, bounded north by land of Mollie G. Smith, east by D., G. R. & W. R'y., south by Sower Street, west by Woodward avenue; 66 feet front on Woodward avenue and 132 feet deep; 1 mile north of and 1 mile south of the Village of Birmingham, Mich. One of the best building sites in the village.

66

Good, comfortable, cozy, old-fashioned house with 90 feet front on Martin Street. Fine location, plenty of room, and the price is only $1,300.

66 ½

One not on Saginaw street, just south of land owned by John German, so feet frontage. Anyone wishing to purchase will find this a bargain, for particulars inquire of Mollie G. Smith or at the Exchange Bank

103

Eighty-acre farm in White Lake township, w ½ of s e ¼ of section 22, 70 acres cleared, 10 acres timber and 10 acres cranberry swamp. Don't laugh at this swamp netted the owner over $150.00 last summer.) Three acres of good orchard, house of 7 rooms, 2 miles from Commerce; 3 miles from Milford, 5 miles from Commerce; proposed electric road comes within a mile of the house. Price, $2,000.

147

Nice little home for someone of small means. ¼ acres in s w ¼ of n e ¼ of sec 34, township of Troy known as Troy Corners, barn in good shape, both barn and house never dry. ¼ mile east of Rochester Electric fare to Detroit; or R. R. 2 cents. All cash and no grumbling will buy it at $150. Hurry up!

No. 167

Wants to trade for 80 or 60 acres on or near electric. Ninety-four acres on east ½ of southwest ¼ sec. 11, Troy township; three buildings valued at $8,000 (insured for $7,100); flowing supplied to barn; farm well adapted for stock or dairy; ¼ mile from electric at Troy Corners, where there are good schools and churches. Pure ride to Detroit; figure per acre.

No. 171

Finest building site between Birmingham and Pontiac on electric railway. Just west of Birmingham, among the country homes of such men as Booth, Barbour, Endicott, Brady, Shaw, Conklin, and others; 45 acres, nearly half of which is timber, and pretty little branch or river Rouge (never dry) runs through the place with giant elms and oaks overhanging. Magnificent ground for the orchard of a score. Price is high, but if you have the cream you must expect to pay for it.

178

Seven-room cottage on west side of Bates street, 66 feet front, 120 feet deep. You couldn't build the house for $1,200 and that's all we ask for it. City water, wood shed, cellar, all modern conveniences. One of the best bargains we have. Shoot it to you any time.

180

Farm in Avon township; 55 acres of good clay loam; 40 acres under cultivated, no buildings; small amount down. For sale or exchange for small farm.

185

Corner lot, 100 feet front on Maple avenue 198 feet deep; one good building, insured; plenty of small fruit. A bargain for $1,000, one-half cash down.

188

One of the best-arranged and finest-equipped residences in the village, and in absolutely the best location—East Maple Avenue, two blocks from electric road; bath, toilet, hot and cold water, hot air gas, 10 rooms, 2 stories, rebuilt last year, better than new; 3 buildings, fine orchard; 112 feet on Maple, 264 feet deep; plenty of room for children and garden; good for two workmen. Say! What else do you want, anyhow? Will sell house and 52 feet front by 150 feet deep for $2,800. One of our best bargains.

193

Thirty-five-acre fruit farm, 1¼ miles north on Birmingham road, on the town line; 6 buildings, insured for $1,300. All kinds of soil—clay, gravel, sand and clay loam. Last year this farm produced 123 bushels raspberries, 20 bushels blackberries, 1,100 bushels strawberries, 100 bbls. hay, etc. A gravel ridge 60 rods in length, with an inexhaustable supply of gravel, is worth almost the price of the farm. Has waste land and under a high state of cultivation. Worth looking at anyhow. Price $6,000, terms easy.

194

Fifty acres in Township of Troy, adjoining the Hoy Stock Farm; 6 buildings, house, basement barn, plenty of small fruit, orchard of 40 apple trees; 2½ miles from Flint Division D. U. R. 2 miles from Detroit. Price $4,000.

1999

Fifteen acres in Township of Royal Oak; no buildings; small grove of maples in a pretty feature; new land, well drained, clay bottom, black top soil; corner of the 9½-mile road and Campbell road, ¼ mile east of electric road; adjoins J. L. Hudson and Duffield tracts, which are held at $500.00 per acre; 1½ miles north of State Fair grounds. Price $300 per acre; will exchange for city property.

196

Six acres, part of s w ¼ of n e ¼ of section 30, Troy township; new barn, fair house, soil clay loam, fine for growing; place is well fenced, and electric road, 2¼ miles from Big Beaver; good farm for somebody. Price $625.

198

Ten acres 1 mile east of Royal Oak village on sellent land, 40 fine apple trees, no buildings. Price $2,200. Will exchange for city property, and price will enable you to build the kind of house you may require.

200

One hundred and twenty-six acres near Birmingham; good buildings, well fenced, level, cultivated, flowing well; pretty little River Rouge runs through the farm; 2 miles west of Birmingham. Worth looking at. Take you to see it any day you say. Yes, the price is $10,000, and the terms easy. Farms not as good as this have sold within the past year, in the immediate vicinity, for $180.00 per acre. Can't you see a snap? You see it, and please you, and if you don't buy we won't grumble.

201

Fine 2-story residence on Maple Avenue, corner of High Street; 50 feet front, 125 feet deep; hot-water heater, hot and cold bath, toilet, city gas, city water, cement walks, fine shade trees and beautiful lawn; buildings insured for $4,000; house and lot worth $5,500 to $6,000, and the balance of purchase price can be had on long time and low rate of interest. Best residence street in town, and one of the finest location and the best lot of buildings on our list, and the price is right.

251

House and lot in Campbell's Subdivision; corner lot 60x110, fine hedge on front and side, cellar, city water and sewer; lot is 8 rods deep; shade trees on front and side; cherries, peaches, pears, grab apples, small fruit bearing, and garden; terms easy. $1,450 will buy it, and terms can be made so that it won't take a millionaire to handle it. Come on.

252

Eight acres of land in Newaygo county, Michigan, listed "A No. 1 sandy soil," no buildings, 10 acres oak timber; price $200 per acre. Won't cost anything to investigate. We're ready to answer all questions you may ask—wise or otherwise.

253

Two hundred acres of sand and sandy loam, 40 acres of mixed timber, 20 acres cleared; two buildings of little value. Price $2,000. If the facts in the Township of Big Prairie, County of Newaygo, and then we have a snap. Situated in the same township, with 5 buildings, 25 acres of orchard and 100 acres of mixed timber, all at $10 per acre. We'll just dare you to dig into this proposition—and you know what our opinion used to be at school regarding any "dare" that wouldn't "take a dare."

257

Just what everybody wants! Don't wait a minute or you'll lose it. Fine house and barn, with 2 other good buildings, all nearly new; 10 acres of fine orchard, level soil; fruit buildings insured for $2,900; 11 acres of excellent land, 1½ miles from Flint Electric car line. Pure ride to Detroit. Price $2,500; terms easy. Half mile east from school church and store. Take you to see it any time.

258

Lots 23 and 24, Buell's Addition, Birmingham. Price $400 for both lots. Terms, $25 cash; balance on contract.

266

What would you think if we would offer you a five modern room of 11 rooms, with toilet and bath (no, front $2,500 to build when material was cheap,) lot 60x165, and a nice little barn, for $2,400? And come easy at that. Well, we can do it. If you don't think this chance is worth more money than we ask for it, we will convince you in about a minute. Come and call at the bank and see the man. The property is located in the Village of Birmingham, on the corner and in one of the best locations in town. Honest, we are sure that this is one of the best bargains we have on our list.

227

Five acres just outside of the corporation limits of Birmingham, about 10 rods frontage on Woodward avenue, and 20 rods deep; 2 acres of this is in cranberry marsh, 2 acres in timber, and the remainder is fronting on Woodward avenue. Fine location for a home, but can be bought for what it is worth. Don't wait to send yourself and have one of the boys bring you. Call at the Exchange Bank and ask for Mr. Bloomfield. Bell telephone, Birmingham district. Postal card request will bring prices and full particulars. Rather show it to you, though.

229

A pleasant and sightly farm of 71 acres in Washtenaw county, 1½ miles from the North-western electric road, 4 acres of young orchard, 4 buildings, all worth $6,000, and the price is $6,000—and it is well worth it. Soil sandy loam and clay loam, underlaid with a state of cultivation. Better investigate.

231

Two-story, 7-room house in good repair; well shaded, cellar, fruit, etc. House would cost more than $1,000 to build—and that's all we ask for it. Opposite school house, between Merritt and Machan, on Chester Street. Terms easy.

232

Farm of 97½ acres, just outside the Village of Birmingham, on the D. & P. electric line; 15c fare to Detroit, half-hour service; land all cleared; two acres; four buildings, all in good condition. Beautiful location between Detroit and Pontiac.

241

Fine new house with all modern conveniences, within 800 feet of the west side of Woodward Avenue; 9 rooms, hard-wood finish; lot 50x100; plenty of fruit. You could not build the house for $3,000, and that's all we ask for the premises. Well worth looking at.

243

Farm of 160 acres, Saginaw county, 8 miles from Fergus Station, on the M. C. R'y. Clay loam, good buildings valued at $2,000, and $5,000 will buy the farm if you come right away—now. The place is within 3 miles of active coal mines, and there is a rich coal deposit under the entire farm; 6 miles to Chesaning; 16 miles to Owosso; 40 miles to Charles and 22 miles to Saginaw. Well drained, good fences, and altogether worth the money.

244

If you could buy an acre and a quarter of land with a brick house equipped with hot and cold water, bath, water closet, furnace, and every possible convenience, and bath, chicken house, plenty of fruit and cement walks, and the house alone cost $6,000—for $3,000 on easy terms, you'd call it a snap, wouldn't you? Well, we can do it. Come on and we'll show you.

245

Lot 7, Block 1, of Campbell's Subdivision, Village of Birmingham, Mich., on the corner of High Street and Eighth avenue. Without doubt the most desirable lot for building purposes on this popular subdivision. Price $225, but there are other things that we would like to whisper to you. Come and let us take you to see the property.

246

One hundred and twenty-seven acres in the Township of Avon. Six buildings worth $6,000; 25 acres of timber, 5 acres of orchard; well watered (Clinton river runs through the farm); no marsh land in 120 feet above the river; fine cedars, 4 miles, 2 good houses, 2 barns in good repair, well fenced, and only a mile from the thriving Village of Rochester. Will trade for a smaller farm or will consider an offer of $8,500, with one-third cash. Take you to see it any old time at all.

247

House, barn, and about an acre of good garden land on north side of Saddle Street. Good, old-fashioned house, and a very home at a low price. Party has decided to go West and wants to sell badly enough to make a decided sacrifice. Ask the man at the bank about it.

256

Eight-room house, good barn and two acres of excellent land on west side of Southfield Avenue, in the Village of Birmingham—one of the best equipped and tidiest homes in the village. Building would cost $2,500 to build today (house is practically new), and the whole outfit can be bought for just a trifle more than that. Enough to secure it will get it, and you can have your every way about payments on balance!

260

Eight-room, 2-story house on Southfield Avenue, Lot 80x178 on west side of street; cellar, well, 2 porches, barn, stables, hen-house, chicken house. Within four blocks of electric line.

261

Completely equipped shop for general repair work and manufacture of gasoline engines, both marine and automobile. $1,800 cash will buy in balance on easy terms.

262

Nine lots on the Merrill Plat, formerly owned by W. J. Landon. Finest location in village. Terms easy and prices low.

264

Nine acres, no buildings, on south side of Wilcox Avenue, between Woodward and Pierce (outside of corporation), and $1,350 will buy it on easy terms.

265

Eighty-acre farm in Ionia county, Town of Easton. Will exchange for small farm or residence. Property is described as w ½ of s e ¼ of sec 36, town 7 n., r 7 w. Nine buildings insured for $2,250; mortgage of $1,500, which can run; $2,500 cash will secure balance. 5 miles from Ionia, 10-room white brick house; all level land; no hills or waste land; rich, sandy soil. This offer is good for 30 days only, so you'd better get busy.

266

Comfortable house, nearly new, in good location in Whitehead & Mitchell's Subdivision. House would cost more than $1,000 to build this red-hot minute, and you can have it for $1,000 for the house and two lots. There is a mortgage of $600 which can run. The building is insured for $700. Owner lives in Detroit and wants to sell.

249

Nice, warm, old-fashioned house on the south side of Maple Avenue, in the village. One best class of residences in the village. Plenty of room for a good garden, and it can be bought for $1,300. Nuf Why not? Well, just come and talk it over with us, and you can see the premises over you will make us an offer anyhow.

250

Now, here is a "Beaner!" House, barn and chicken house, with two acres of land on westerly side of Woodward, opposite Electric Park, known as "Elmcrest." Ten rooms, bath, toilet, two stairs, furnace room, good hot-air furnace, two grates and mantels, and well equipped lot of buildings in the village, city water, drains, fine shade trees and beautiful lawn; buildings insured for $4,000, $1,500 cash will do the trick, and the balance of purchase price can be had on long time and low rate of interest in town, and besides this is the finest location and the best lot of buildings on our list, and the price is right.

267

Forty acres on the line of the Flint electric, at Harris Corners, in Troy township. Excellent soil, clay loam, no waste land; one of the pleasant locations for building a nice country residence. The place is held for mere money, but makes us an offer of $2,000 cash, and we will see what we can do for you; we will trust you to $200 across your set of parcel, or any part of the 40, at prices which cannot fail to interest you.

269

House and lot, east side Woodward Avenue; will exchange for other property; lot 100x37; house 6 rooms, cellar, barn, garden, some fruits; $1,000; buildings are insured for $600.

270

House and lot, west side of Ann Street; 2-story frame cottage, cement-block foundation, 8 rooms and cellar; one block from Woodward Avenue car; $1,800; terms easy.

271

Forty feet front on Southfield Avenue, 176 feet deep; 2 buildings, 6-room house, 2 bedrooms, wing in-house, garden, fruit, new cement walks; $1,350.

272

Millers, attention! Feed rolls, 9x18, 60-horsepower engine and boiler, complete with all fixtures, for $550. Or, will sell separate.

273

New cement house, one block from Woodward Avenue, 4 bedrooms, bath and closet on second floor. 4 rooms downstairs; large veranda, hot-air furnace, hot and cold water, hardwood floors, good barn large enough for horse or auto; cement walks, cistern, etc. Worth looking at; also worth more money than we ask for it, but we'll sell it for $3,500 on easy terms.

274

Nice little country place for some one of small means. House, barn, and all necessary outbuildings; with two acres of good land; buildings insured for $725; cistern, good location, 2½ miles from Clawson on the Flint electric line; $900; terms easy.

275

Fine new house and 100 acres of good land on west side of Woodward Avenue, near Pontiac; 45 acres timber, 5 acres orchard; 2 buildings, valued at $7,000; hot and cold water, bathroom, hot-air furnace, bath, toilet, water closet; grapes, peaches and apples in great abundance; one mile from Pontiac on D. U. R. electric. Prices and terms on application.

276

Farm of 160 acres, west of Birmingham; excellent soil, good buildings, fine location; 10 acres orchard, 20 acres timber; one of the finest farms in the country. Price low and terms. Take you to see it any day.

277

Farm of 160 acres in Southfield; gravelly loam and clay; 4 good buildings, 6 acres, orchard, 40 acres oak timber; 1 mile from cheese factory and Village of Franklin, 2½ miles from electric line; telephone. R. F. D., and $45 per acre will get it if sold before March 1. Postal will get full particulars, or we will take you to see it at any time.

278

How would you like a good big farm in Crawford county, Michigan? 540 acres, and the north branch of the Au Sable river runs across it. 30 acres cleared, 3 acres orchard, 2 buildings valued at $3,500; good house 8 rods from the river; abundance of game and fish, fine climate, and a good school house on the same section; only four settlers in the township; ideal place for club buildings for hunting and fishing. Will trade for a smaller farm or will take some stock in a corporation to buy it. A postal will bring full particulars, photographs and map.

Big Game Fees.

In the German possessions in Africa a permit to shoot game is required—special permission is required to kill more than two giraffes, four rhinoceroses, and six zebras. In the case of elephant shooting, the authorities must be given one tusk from each animal killed. The charge for such a small payment if he shoots a lion, panther, wild boar, or hyena. A permit to kill gazelles, antelopes, and monkeys costs only ten dollars.

Tolstoi's Work for Charity.

As a writer for charities, Count Tolstoy comes next to the Baintery, returning with the car. That satisfies him. Then he returns to the barn and loafs during the rest of the day.—New York Press.

Bright Boy!

"James, my son, take this letter to the post office and pay the postage for it." After a little while the boy James returns highly elated, and says: "Father, I seed a lot of men putting letters in a little place, and, when no one was looking, I slipped yours in, for nothing!"

A Sound Sleep.

"Morning! morning!" said paterfamilias, genially, as he entered the breakfast room. "I've had a splendid night. Slept like a top!" His wife agreed with him. "You did," she responded, grimly—"like a tumming top!"

An Opinion.

The advertising theologians are still pouring forth floods of oratory on the end of the world, though they differ, at great length, as to the method of its final destruction. Our private opinion is that it will be talked to death.—London Opinion.

Lured by Hope of Wealth.

The yellow desert stretching eastward from Lüderitz bay in German southwest Africa has become a great attraction, though a few months ago its monotonous sand dunes were hateful and depressing. Diamonds have been found there and a new mining fever is raging. Men are thronging where till now wild beasts have held undisputed sway.

Long Voyage in Small Boat.

A paddle-wheel steamboat which draws but 4½ feet of water is making the perilous ocean voyage from England to the west coast of Africa, where it will be used on a shallow river.

Increases Liquor Duties.

The British government has increased the duties on spirits for Sierra Leone 25 per cent. in response to the agitation concerning liquor traffic in Africa.

Of Man.

Unless above himself he can erect himself, how poor a thing is man.—Dryden.