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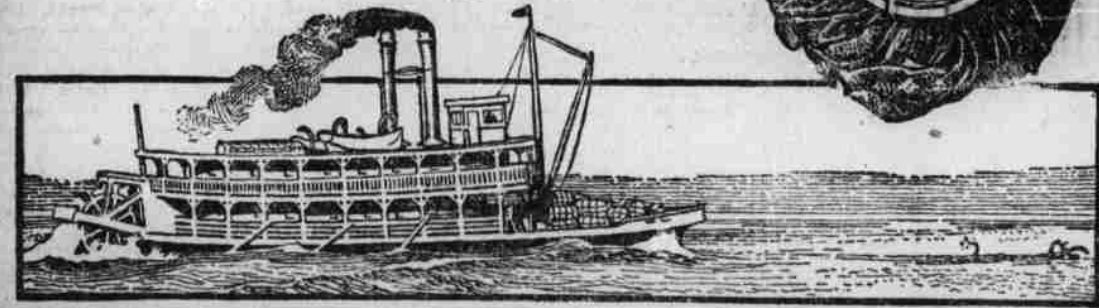
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A Mystery Solved

By SARAH BAXTER

Mathewson was standing during a social function before a man with his thumbs in his waistcoat pockets and his legs at an angle of about ten degrees gazing at the crowds of men and women passing and repeating. He had tired of the disconnected, choppy, aimless conversation which is the only possible kind in such places and stood alone rather than endure any more of it. But he did not tire of watching others who were hunting for something to say to one another that would fit in with a possible interruption at any moment.

Presently turning, there stood a lady beside him, evidently passing the time disinterestedly like. She was about twenty-four years of age and at least, so far as her appearance was concerned, very attractive. Suddenly the lady put her hand on his arm and said as familiarly as if she had known him: "It is stifling in here. I must get some air."

Mathewson had met the surprise of his life. What was her object in appropriating him thus he could not divine, but he was not minded to throw a straw in the way of anything she might intend. Being a man of the world, a well bred man, a considerate man, he manifested no surprise; neither did he presume upon an acquaintance that was not his. "You are quite right about the air in there being stifling," he said. "I was thinking of getting out of it myself."

This commonplace remark seemed to put the lady at her ease, and, guiding her companion into a cozy nook where they were not likely to be interrupted, she conversed not in the bits of nothing to be expected, but gradually led the way into topics of interest.

Mathewson spent a charming half hour, expecting the while that the lady before parting with him would make known her reason for having appropriated him. But presently an old lady came and remarked, "I have been looking everywhere for you," and the younger woman, arising, nodded to Mathewson, and the two ladies walked away together.

Later Mathewson pointed out the lady who had appropriated him, asking who she was, and was told that she was a Mrs. Olcott. Having expressed disappointment, his companion remarked: "She's a missus, but not married. She's a divorcee."

"Do you know her?" asked Mathewson. "I do."

"Then introduce me." There was no opportunity at the time, for the lady, together with the elderly woman who had joined her, was going upstairs preparatory to leaving the house.

A few days later Mathewson met Mrs. Olcott at another function. She passed him in company with others but did not look at him. At this he was not surprised. Having an appointment to call upon her the next evening with the friend who was to introduce him, he found her kindly disposed; but, though he sat with her for some time, she made no mention of the matter of her appropriation of him. She discussed any subject that Mathewson proposed or toward which he led the way; but, although he several times gave her an opportunity to explain why she had used him, she refrained from an explanation.

Whether it was the lady's personality or the mystery attending their first meeting, it was not long before he was enthralled. She accepted his attentions not with the tickleness of a young girl, but with the experience of one who had been married. Mathewson, at first having a knowledge that she had been a wife, was somewhat chary of falling in love with her, for he argued that if one man could not live with her possibly another might find it difficult. But after while he cast precaution to the winds, threw up his hands and was ready to marry her if she were a devil in human shape.

There is but one ending to a story wherein its hero is madly in love. He proposes and is either accepted or rejected. If he is rejected the story ends nowhere; if accepted, in marriage Mathewson was accepted.

AGAINST LEAVING PHILIPPINES NOW

Ex-President Taft Thinks Filipinos May Be Ready for Autonomy in 60 Years.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Ex-President W. H. Taft has explained his views on the administration bill for the ultimate independence of the Philippines before the senate commission considering the measure.

He gave a detailed conception of his idea of the duty of the United States toward the Philippines gathered from his experience as governor-general of the islands.

After discussing his relations with the Philippines and the intentions of the United States government when he first went to the Philippines he declared, "You cannot give the self government; it must be acquired by hard knocks."

"What time do I think will be the proper time for the Philippines to have self government? The time that should be given to those people for an opportunity to learn the English language so that they can be an English speaking people will take one or maybe two generations, if you count 30 years as a generation."

He said that President McKinley sent him to the Philippines with the avowed purpose for the United States to get out of the islands as soon as possible.

TORSO BELIEVED TO BE THAT OF A MAN

Detectives Searching for Other Parts of Body—Torso Found in Sack.

New York, Jan. 4.—Examination today of the torso of the body discovered last night imbedded near Coney Island led the police to believe it was that of a man.

Detectives searched all night in the Long Island meadow in hopes of locating the remaining parts of the body.

The discovery of the bag containing the torso was made by a small boy who told the police of his find.

Thirty per cent of the female population of New York city are workers.

ACTION IS INSTITUTED BY S. STERNBERG & CO.

Michigan Firm Sued for Breach of Contract—Account Here Attacked.

S. Sternberg and company have filed attachment proceedings against the account of the Crohon and Roben company at the American National bank. It is alleged in the papers that Crohon and Roben shipped the local firm a car of hides from a point in Michigan for which the sum of \$5,600 was to be paid and that the local company paid a draft for this amount. Sternberg and company asks damages in the sum of \$2,000, claiming that the car of hides did not come up to the order given for them.

The car was shipped and a draft drawn on the local company, with bill of lading attached. The draft was paid at the American National bank this morning, and then the account was immediately attached pending the outcome of the suit.

OFFICIAL STANDING IN THE Y. M. C. A. LEAGUE

Two games have been played at the Y. M. C. A. lately in the class C basketball league. Wallis defeated Bourne by the score of 24 to 6, with Monetta, Donnahoe, Mims and Bourne as the stars. In the second game, Monetta defeated DeYoung by the score of 25 to 2, with Monetta, Donnahoe and Bourne as stars.

The standing of the various leagues of the association, through the games played Saturday, follow:

Class	Won.	Lost.	Pct.
Class A—			
Cline	7	2	.777
Mears	5	3	.625
Foster	3	6	.333
Jordan	2	6	.333
Class B—			
Alexander	3	2	.600
Garnon	3	2	.600
Henry	3	2	.600
Brown	1	4	.200
Class C—			
Monetta	6	1	.857
Bourne	4	3	.571
DeYoung	2	5	.286
Wallis	2	5	.286
Class D—			
West	6	1	.857
Rogers	5	2	.714
Foster	2	5	.286
Carr	1	6	.143
Employed Boys—			
Austin	7	1	.875
Campbell	5	3	.625
Williamson	3	5	.375
Proffit	1	7	.125

NO IMMUNITY FOR THREE DIRECTORS

Elton, Skinner and Billiard of N. Y., N. H. & H. Must Answer Charges.

New York, Jan. 4.—The Federal District court here has overruled the pleas for immunity interposed by John L. Billiard, James S. Elton and William Skinner to indictments charging the criminal violation of the Sherman anti-trust law in connection with their actions as directors of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railway. Messrs. Elton, Skinner & Billiard claimed entire immunity from prosecution because of testimony given before the interstate commerce commission prior to the return of the indictments. The decision means that the three defendants will have to plead to the indictments, which include 15 other directors and former directors of the railroad.

RED CROSS ASKED TO AID MEXICAN FAMILIES

Consul-General Hanna Tells of Suffering Among Thousands of People at Monterey.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Consul-General Hanna has appealed to the Red Cross for aid to relieve upward of 2,000 families in the Monterey section of Mexico, who are suffering from hunger and cold.

"I now have 500 families on my list in Monterey," he said, "and they are being furnished corn, beans and rice twice a week. There are 1,000 more families appealing to the relief station for tickets and there are 2,000 families needing help now. There will be several thousand others who will suffer from hunger before January has passed."

GREEK MINISTER AND HOUSEKEEPER BURNED

Cleveland, Jan. 3.—Rev. Stephen Miska, pastor of the St. John Greek Catholic church, and his housekeeper, Miss Fedor, were burned to death today, when fire destroyed the parish house.

Police believe the fire was of an incendiary origin.

SOUTHERN FARMS MAKE FINE RECORD

U. S. Department of Agriculture Believes They Can Be Self Sustaining.

Washington, Jan. 4.—Preliminary results of the study of rural living conditions in several of the states, as made under the direction of the department of agriculture, showed that

in the localities under observation in North Carolina the farms were yielding \$2.63 per cent of the food used by the families on the farm each year, while the average in New York was only .54 per cent higher than in North Carolina.

The survey was made on a large number of farms in North Carolina, Georgia, Texas, Kansas, Iowa, Wisconsin, Ohio, Pennsylvania, New York and Vermont.

It showed that 63 per cent of the food consumed by the families on the farm was produced on the farms, with the average much greater in North Carolina localities. It is pointed out here that the showing is an evidence that the southern farms can be made self sustaining.

Mrs. Clarence Le Bus, of Lexington, Ky., is the owner of an extensive racing stable.

SAN LUIS POTOSI IS CAPTURED

Washington, Jan. 4.—The capture of San Luis Potosi by Carranza forces is reported in advices received from Galveston by the Carranza agency here, which said:

"Semi-official reports by wireless from Tampico state that the forces of General Cosío Robello entered the town of San Luis Potosi Friday after a sanguinary battle. General Robello belongs to the command of General Pablo Gonzales, who yesterday also drove the rebels from Rodriguez station, which is about 65 miles east of San Luis Potosi."

"Captain Niles of the Carranza aviation corps and Major Salinas, his chief, flying a French monoplane above the field of battle, reported that the Carranza forces were west of Anam 50 miles from Mexico City. However, there is still a large number of rebels resisting General Obregon. The movement on Puebla from Amozoc is complete and the active bombardment of that town is expected to begin in the morning."

INSIDE THE HOUSE.

A novel plate hanger may be made thus: Take three white dress hooks, fix them over the edge of the plate at equal distances. Run a piece of string through the holes in the hooks, draw tight and knot. Hang by the string from a small nail.

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20c Curtain Material yard..... 16c	Good Percales yard..... 10c	One lot of black house dresses for inside—the \$1.50 grade, for Tuesday 98c
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12 1/2c Curtain Material yard..... 7 1-2c	Best Galatea yard..... 15c	
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