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The Halliday Emeralds

A Story of Their Quick Recovery

By CLARISSA MACKIE

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Elsie Halliday stood before her dressing table looking down at her jewel case with frightened eyes and a wildly beating heart. Costly gems sparkled from every velvet-lined compartment but one. The white net that had contained the famous emerald necklace, the Halliday necklace, was empty.

She rang the bell, and after a while a strange maid appeared.

"Will you send Louise, my maid?" asked Elsie.

"I do not think she is here, miss," returned the girl bluntly. "I saw her running across the lawn shortly after your arrival. She went toward the river."

Elsie's eyes sparkled dangerously at the evidence of the party of the trusted Louise. She turned to the starting servant with a gesture of dismissal and when she was alone proceeded to dress for the approaching meal.

When her golden hair was gathered into its customary soft knot and she had slipped into the white chiffon dress, Elsie drew forth the string of pearls and checked it about her slender throat. Without ceasing to admire the charming effect she made a careful search of the room. The chair near the open window must furnish the first clue, and Elsie was not disappointed.

There was a fattered bit of lace evidently torn from a cheap handkerchief—a fragment from which dangled a bit of gold-set with a drop of emerald green—and the lace smelled of that dreadful French scent which Louise despised to use.

On the floor near the chair was a white silk handkerchief twisted into a loose knot. Elsie lifted it gingerly and inspected a few Japanese characters in dead black across one corner. The characters were too large for a laundry mark and must represent the owner's name, and that owner was probably a Japanese. Elsie recollect of that the Ormonds had a butler of that nationality.

Last of all, on the seat of the chair was a man's pearl link, on the flat surface of which a golden initial was finely inscribed. Elsie studied the twisted "V" with a little puzzled frown, knitting her brows. Why had Harvey Ventnor's name sprang so quickly to her mind in such an unpleasant connection? Perhaps it was because he was never far from her thoughts, or for the reason that there are few names that begin with the letter V, not that for one instant he might be associated with anything that was dishonorable.

The dinner bell rang then, and Elsie obeyed its summons, first taking pains to hide her jewel case in the remotest corner of her wardrobe. She went reluctantly down the broad stairs conscious that this visit she had anticipated must be inaugurated by the unpleasant features surrounding a jewel robbery. While she realized that the thief must be making a successful escape and that every moment lost strengthened the difficulty of capture, Elsie hesitated to disturb the equanimity of her genial host, now in one of the happiest moods. Near the drawing room door two men were talking in low tones, and Elsie passed one of them was saying: "I heard Ventnor was hard hit today. Drop in on X, and X must have crippled him."

Elsie hid her trembling lips in an angry effort to gain composure. She hated herself for the lightning thought that had connected Ventnor's pecuniary difficulties with the pearl link and the missing emeralds. In that instant she vowed to seek no further for the thief. The Halliday emeralds must go.

"You look troubled, dear," whispered Mabel Ormond in her ear. "Has anything gone wrong?"

"Everything is lovely," smiled Elsie brightly. "How dear of you to give me the rose room!"

"I know you were charmed with it last year. Mr. Katurin is a little late tonight. Rather unusual in our hospitable Japanese."

It was Mr. Katurin, Ventnor, who took Elsie to dinner, she heard his voice at the end of the procession as she walked in beside young Fred Ormond, Dick's brother. When she sat down Ventnor was opposite, leaning attentively to the chatter of some strange girl. Elsie's swift glance noted his slightly disheveled appearance, and then she saw with a sinking of the heart that the sleeve link was gone from one of his cuffs—the left one. The other, plainly visible, was of pearl inscribed with gold.

Ventnor, watching her now and then, seemed to be aware of her sudden colorless toward him. A hard look settled around his pleasant lips, and his sunny eyes clouded.

To Elsie it was a miserable fluster, and it dragged to a tedious close, while her overstrained nerves seemed on the point of giving way altogether. She resolved to spend fifteen and return to New York the next morning. Ventnor's presence made it impossible for her to remain.

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And now these companies are actively getting the country merchants to send petitions against the parcel post by making them believe that it will ruin their business, when, in fact, no class of the community will be more benefited by a reasonable parcel post than the country merchant.

Then, too, there is a scheme to try the parcel post on rural routes only. This will simply be making the rural routes the delivery agents for the express companies, and will do no good at all. We can now send a package weighing seven pounds to England or Japan, but we do not send it to any postoffice in the country. The man in Japan or England can send me a package that I cannot mail to the next postoffice unless I divide it into packages of less than four pounds each and then pay more than the man in England or Japan pays for an eleven pound package. There is something rotten, evidently.

Then there is always a talk about the deficit in the postal service. Why, the War and Navy Departments are all deficit. The postal service is for the benefit of the people, and they are willing to pay for it. But they talk about making the magazines pay greater rates because of their advertising matter. Why, these ads bring more money to the postoffice department than anything in the country, and if their rates are raised they will have to increase their prices and get less circulation as the department loses revenue thereby. The heavy freight of the free seeds sent out by congressmen costs over a half million of dollars for seeds and mailing, and if that was cut out, the deficit in the postal revenues would be greatly diminished. But what the people want is good service by mail, and they do not care a hoot about the deficit. The packages of seed are now being sent out by congressmen, and I have seen them in the garden for they are the lowest priced seeds that the department can get. All that is required is that they will be capable of governmental progress.

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