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The Inscrutable Face

How He Made His Dream Come True

By CLARISSA MACKIE

Dale Malcolm, spinning down the Boston post road in his little runabout, saw the gayly painted wagons of the gypsy camp and slowed to a standstill.

Immediately a horde of rugged children surrounded the car and begged with whining insistency.

Malcolm tossed a handful of coppers into the road, and while the children scrambled for them he started the car. He halted the car again and bought a bracelet jangling with silver coins from a frowny woman. It set him dreaming wistfully of the far countries from which this woman's ancestors had come.

He awoke from his day dream suddenly. A brown, wrinkled hand was thrust under his nose, and an aged crone winced to tell his fortune.

"Laughingly he crossed his palm with a silver half dollar. 'I expect a good fortune for that,' he said. The crone nodded.

"What is sent you will get," she cackled—"no more, no less."

She grasped Malcolm's left hand and studied the lines closely.

"A life pent up in the towns," she muttered—"money, money, money getting while the world calls! Fool! Gypsy towers where devils run to and fro and the roar of sound is like the roar of the ocean, while the green world calls."

Malcolm smiled as he recognized a quite accurate description of the great skyscraper where he worked every day. Suddenly her voice changed to one of earnestness.

"Ah, the handsome gentleman will love! I see the moonlight falling on the wise countenance of the silent one in the shadow of the mysterious face she will come. You will go to strange lands together and be happy. Remember the mysterious face. Thank you, sir!" She stepped back as Malcolm started the car, and in a moment the camp and its picturesque followers had vanished.

Dale Malcolm smiled to himself as he remembered the gypsy's prophecy concerning the mysterious face in whose shadow he was to meet his love.

"No chance of meeting my fate this year," sighed Malcolm as he ate his

sandwich at the club where he made his home. "It's stay in little New York one more year, Dale, my lad, and then, when the Truiner deal is successfully concluded and the Elmer estate is settled, I'll sell out my share to Wakenly and set out on my travels. Meantime the moon will wax and wane on the inscrutable face of the silent one many times before I arrive."

So spoke Dale Malcolm, but the fate had willed it otherwise. He had yet to learn that the daughter of the Egyptian had mystic knowledge of events to come.

A week later he pulled down the top of his desk and went to the street, where his little car waited at the curbstone. He had promised himself a run into the country, but when he came to Central park he recollected that there was a new picture in the gallery of the Metropolitan museum that he desired to see, and so presently he found himself standing before the priceless picture which had been lent by a millionaire. From one painting to another Malcolm wandered, and from the picture gallery he went from one collection to another until he reached the Egyptian room.

It was growing late and near closing time when Dale Malcolm suddenly discovered that he was standing before a large framed photograph of the sphinx.

"This is about as near to the silent one as I shall get this year," he chuckled to himself just as he turned away.

There was a slight scream and a fall on the floor beside him.

Dale turned hastily to find almost at his feet a girl who had slipped on the polished floor. When he bent to assist her he noted that in spite of her pallor she was very lovely and that the color of her black lashed eyes just matched the brown velvet of her costume.

"I am afraid I cannot stand," she faltered, leaning against him. "If believe I've sprained my ankle. If you will assist me to a seat!"

Dale almost carried his lovely burden to one of the settees.

She leaned her head against the back of the seat, and, taking a small gold vial from her hand bag, she held it to her dainty nose. When her hand languidly dropped Dale quietly took the golden toy from her hand and applied it.

Presently she opened her eyes and smiled deprecatingly at him.

"Thank you very much," she said. "If you will summon a taxicab and assist me to the entrance I shall be very grateful. I am sorry to trouble you, but—"

"My own car is at the door," suggested Malcolm. "If you will let me drive you home it will save delay."

"Thank you. You are very kind. I live just around the corner in Eighty-fourth street. Ah!" She winced with pain as she endeavored to walk.

After that she took Malcolm's proffered arm, and just as they turned away the young man looked backward. Through the window he saw the new moon, and his glance also took in the picture of the sphinx and the girl beside him.

His heart leaped suddenly so that he started violently.

"What has happened?" asked the girl quickly.

"Nothing that matters now," he said as he assisted her in her slow progress through the rooms.

In spite of his calm demeanor Dale Malcolm's everyday self assurance was staggered by the recollection of the gypsy's prophecy and the coincidence of finding this beautiful stranger actually in the shadow of the pictured face of the silent one, the sphinx.

In ten minutes Dale was assisting Vera Lane up the front steps of the handsome house where she lived and giving her into the care of a very solicitous butler.

After that things fell very flat for Dale. He dined at his club after a run out to the gypsy camp, only to find that it had vanished from the grove of chestnut trees. He went to a then-

ter in the evening, but the play had no message for him. Always he saw the lovely face of Vera Lane, and constantly he heard the prophetic voice of the gypsy fortune teller.

"I see the moonlight falling on the wise countenance of the silent one. In the shadow of the mysterious face she will come. You will go to strange lands together and be happy. Remember the mysterious face."

Over and over again the words rang themselves through his brain until when he went to bed he fell asleep to dream of standing in the shadow of the sphinx on the Gizeh plain and beside him was Vera Lane. Now she was his bride, and they were on their honeymoon, visiting strange lands even as the gypsy had foretold.

Dale awoke suddenly and sat up to bed.

"I'll make that dream come true," he said grimly, and so, turning over, he sank into a dreamless sleep.

The next day he called to inquire concerning Miss Lane's injury, and receiving word that she was much better, he was obliged to content himself with that. There was nothing more he could do now save to find some mutual acquaintance who would effect the introduction that would, he now believed, open the gates of paradise to him.

He dreamed of Vera Lane by day and night, and his business friends clapped him on the shoulder and told him to take a rest. He certainly needed it. Well, if he would not take sound advice it meant a wait-and-see and the rest cure for him!

To all of which Dale listened respectfully and then went on dreaming.

His women friends confessed themselves bored to extinction when Dale made what he considered cleverly non-committal inquiries concerning Vera Lane. At last he dropped in at a tea, for which functions he had a deadly hatred, and the first person he saw was Vera Lane talking to her hostess.

The girl moved away as he approached. Mrs. Fletcher smiled wickedly at him.

"I simply asked you so that you could meet Miss Lane," she whispered. "I've heard all about it from Agatha. She says you've bothered her to death for an introduction to a girl she hardly knows. But now, young man, I hope you're satisfied."

"Because of your goodness I'll tell you the reason why," said Dale gratefully, and he related his incident with the gypsy fortune teller.

Mrs. Fletcher was delighted with the tinge of romance in Dale's story, so presently she led him to the corner where Vera Lane was drinking tea and chatting with a group of women, and a little later Dale was listening to her sweet voice as she thanked him for his assistance on that October evening when she had sprained her ankle.

It is a fact that when spring came Dale Malcolm turned over the executive department of the business to his partner and set forth on a journey around the world. He did not go alone. He had made his dream come true, and finally he stood on the plain of Gizeh, looking up at the silent one, and beside him was his bride, Vera, whom he had met in the shadow of the inscrutable face, even as the gypsy had predicted.

Bad Roads Are Costly. Practically everything we eat must travel over a public road once and sometimes twice before we get it, and yet some people still contend that bad roads have nothing to do with the high cost of living.



IN THE FEMININE DEMAND FOR SMARTNESS HIP DRAPERIES HOLD FIRST PLACE

At a recent fashionable wedding it was remarked that there was scarcely a gown that did not show some form of hip drapery. From the wired minkette they ranged to the narrow puffed ruffle, but the effect was nearly the same in all cases.

These ruffles, panners and flaring tunics made up gracefully in these new soft taffetas, stand out to just the graceful degree without wire or bones. Taffetas has been nearly perfected both in texture and wearing qualities. It is as soft and pliable as the old time sarah and does not crack as formerly.

Aids from the taffetas, there are many other effective silks and numbertone cotton fabrics that will be favored for the South and later, for spring in the North. In choosing sarahs and suits for the southern resorts one should always keep in mind the fact that spring is close upon us and have the garments suited to that season as well.

No. 8202 is developed in a hair-line taffetas, a soft green with the line of white; the tucker is of cream colored net and the crush velvet grille has a Roman stripe.

This costume may be copied in size 36 with 3 1/2 yards of 86-inch taffetas, averaging in price \$125 a yard.

The costume shown in 8187-8190 shows the effectiveness of a plain cotton duvety combined with one of the new checked novelty cottons. The coat (8187) in terra cotta color, and the skirt shows a plaid of the same color in darker tones.

Cotton duvety averages 43 inches in width and comes from \$1.25 a yard up to 48 cents up.

The checked cottons range in width from 37 to 45 inches and in price from 48 cents up.

This costume may be copied in size 36 with 2 yards of 38-inch material for the coat (8187) and 3 1/2 yards of the same width for the skirt (8190).

No. 8202—size 34 to 40.
No. 8190—size 24 to 32.
No. 8187—size 34 to 42.
Each pattern 15 cents.

FOR UNIFORM ROAD LAWS.

American Bar and American Highway Associations Undertake Revision.

Through the co-operation of the American Bar association and the American Highway association the work of revising the road laws in different states has been undertaken with the object of codifying and simplifying them on a uniform basis. Many of the road laws are a century old, based on colonial legislation and following English precedent and are entirely out of use in modern traffic and conditions. Because of these obsolete laws it is impossible to give the nation a network of improved highways, so a change must be made. The committee will urge upon the governors of the various states the necessity for legislative action and will provide a plan for such procedure.

The oceans, including the inland seas connected with them, cover about 144,000,000 square miles, or 73.30 per cent of the total surface of the earth.

NOTICE TAX PURCHASE.

North Carolina—Beaufort County. To N. S. Peele:

You are hereby notified that a sale for taxes by George E. Hicks, Sheriff of Beaufort County, held on Monday, 5th day of May, 1914, at 12 o'clock at the Courthouse door of Beaufort County, T. R. Hodges purchased at said sale the property which was sold for delinquent State and County taxes for the year 1912 and County taxes for the year 1913, due on said property, which was listed in the name of N. S. Peele, including the cost of said sale amounting to \$2.36.

Said property is described as follows: 3 lots Washington Heights.

You are further notified that the said T. R. Hodges has assigned his bid to the Eureka Lumber Co., and that you can redeem said property by the payment of the taxes and costs allowed by law to the undersigned, or to Geo. E. Hicks, sheriff, and if said redemption is not made by May 5, 1914, the undersigned will demand a Tax Deed for said property.

This the 15th day of Jan. 1914.
EUREKA LUMBER CO., Assignee.

NOTICE OF SALE.

North Carolina, Beaufort County. Richland Township—Before A. Mayo, J. P.

P. Peterson Company, Inc.

E. C. Caton.

Pursuant to the attachment, judgment and execution in the above entitled action, rendered by A. Mayo, Justice of the Peace, in favor of the Plaintiff, P. Peterson Company, Inc., and against the defendant, E. C. Caton, and the property attached herein, for the sum of One hundred Forty Two and Ninety One-One Hundredths (\$142.91) Dollars, with interest, and costs, I will sell the property heretofore attached and condemned to be sold, to-wit:

That certain tract or parcel of land, lying and being in the County of Beaufort, State of North Carolina, Richland township, beginning at G. W. Lee's corner in the Hollida line, and running with said Lee's line South 87 1-2 East fifty feet; thence South 3 1-2 West twenty-five feet; thence North 87 1-2 West 51-2 feet to the Hollida East line; thence with said line North 2 1/2 East to the beginning, containing One Hundred and Thirty-eight square yards, and well known as the E. C. Caton store site, which said site was conveyed to the said E. C. Caton by Will Dunn about two years ago.

Said sale to be made at public auction, for cash to the highest bidder at the Courthouse door of Beaufort County, at noon on Friday, the 5th day of March, 1914, notice is hereby given.

This 31st day of January, 1914.
GEO. E. HICKS,
Sheriff of Beaufort County,
Collin H. Harding, Attorney for Plaintiff.

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You are further notified that said purchaser has duly assigned his bid to the Eureka Lumber Co., and that you can redeem said property by the payment of said taxes and charges allowed by law, if same is paid to the undersigned or to Geo. E. Hicks, sheriff of Beaufort County on or before May 5th, 1914; and if you fail to redeem the same on or before said date, the undersigned will demand that the said sheriff make a tax deed for said property.

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The Choicest Kinds of Dress Fabrics Are Here at 25c Yd.

Including Ratines, Crepes and Crepe Ratines, Satin Stripe Crepes, Striped Ratines, Flaked Voiles, etc. These come in the most wanted shades for street and evening wear and are the most attractive spring fabrics we've ever offered at the price, 25c yard.

SEE THEM DISPLAYED IN THE WINDOW.

J. K. HOYT

NOTICE OF ELECTION FOR TREASURER.

To the Voters of the City of Washington:

Pursuant to a resolution adopted by the Board of Aldermen at the regular meeting of said Board on Monday night, January 5th, 1914, notice is hereby given to the voters of the City of Washington, that an election will be held in said city on Tuesday, March 10th, 1914, for the purpose of voting an issue of bonds in the sum of Twenty Five Thousand Dollars for the purpose of buying wharf property located in said city, known as the Myers wharf property, and bounded as follows:

On the South by Family river; on the West by Boncar street, and on the North by Water street, and on the East by the property now occupied by the Moss Planning Mill, said land fronts 215 feet on Water street and runs back to the river.

It is the purpose of the Board of Aldermen, if this bond issue carries, to purchase a five-sixths undivided interest in said property.

A new registration of the voters has been ordered, and the registration books will be opened on Monday, February 9th, 1914, and will remain open for a period of twenty days.

The following persons have been designated as Registrars, and the following places selected as polling places:

First Ward—Registrar, W. K. Jacobson; polling place, Washington Motor Car Co. Garage.

Second Ward—Registrar, W. B. Bright; polling place, City Hall.

Third Ward—Registrar, Walter Leggett; polling place, Harper's market.

Fourth Ward—Registrar, Will Tripp; polling place, Tripp's Store.

All the voters in said city, who shall be in favor of issuing bonds for the purchase of said property shall vote a ballot on which shall be written or printed the words: "For Public Wharves," and those opposing the issue of said bonds shall vote ballots on which shall be written or printed the words: "Against Public Wharves."

This 5th day of Jan. 1914.
W. C. AYERS,
City Clerk.

Try a want ad

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North Carolina—Beaufort County. To T. L. Brooks:

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The purchaser paid therefore the state and county taxes together with the costs of advertising, amounting in all to \$2.75.

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SOLD BY DRUGGISTS EVERYWHERE.

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You are further notified that said purchaser has duly assigned his bid to the Eureka Lumber Co., and that you can redeem said property by the payment of said taxes and charges allowed by law, if same is paid to the undersigned or to Geo. E. Hicks, sheriff of Beaufort County on or before May 5th, 1914; and if you fail to redeem the same on or before said date, the undersigned will demand that the said sheriff make a tax deed for said property.

This 15th day of January, 1914.
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