

The Spoilers.

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SYNOPSIS.

CHAPTER I.—At Unalakleet and Dextery, gold miners bound to Nome, save a young woman from a party of sailors.

watched his dexterous whirling motions. When he had finished they poked the stream of yellow grains into a pile; then, with heads together, guessed its weight, laughing again delightedly.



I've been waitin' a terrible time for this day.

CHAPTER VI.—Dextery's new shift boss. Dextery's shift boss of his partner a few days later.

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returned to their work stinging. After lunch Dextery saddled his broncho.

"I'm goin' to town for a pair of gold scales, but I'll be back by supper; then we'll clean up between shifts. She'd ought to give us a thousand ounces the way that ground prospects."

It was perhaps 4 o'clock when he was groused from his labors by a shout from the bunk tent, where a group of horsemen had clustered.

"Say, Glensister, we've come out to see about the title to this claim."

"What about it?"

"Well, it was relocated about a month ago."

"Yes. What of that?"

"Galloway has commenced suit."

"The ground belongs to Dextery and me. We discovered it, we opened it up, we're entitled with the law, and we're going to hold it."

"Certainly, sir; for your title is good you will be protected, but the law has arrived in Alaska and we've got to let it take its course."

"Hold on! Do you mean to tell me that any court would recognize such a claim as Galloway's?"

"The law recognizes everything. If his grounds are no good, so much the better for you."

"You can't put in a receiver without notice to us. Why, good Lord, we never heard of a suit being commenced. We've never even been served with a summons, and we haven't had a chance to argue in our own defense."

"I have just said that this is a remarkable state of affairs and unusual action had to be taken." McNamara replied, but the young miner grew excited.

"Look here, this gold won't get away! It's safe in the ground. We'll knock off work and let the claim lie the till the thing is settled. You can't really expect us to surrender possession of our mine on the mere allegation of some unknown man. That's ridiculous. We won't do it. Why, you'll have to let us argue our case at least before you try to put us off."

"You're not the only ones to suffer," added McNamara. "We've taken possession of all the mines below here. He nodded down the gulch. 'In an officer of the court and under bond—' 'How much?'"

"Five thousand dollars for each claim."

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"The place to argue this thing is before Judge Stillman," said Dextery, but with little notion of the conflict going on within Glensister. The youth yearned to fight, not with words nor quibbles nor legal phrases, but with steel and blows.

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amused, nodding approval. It was at him that Hank's weapon had been leveled.

"This is bad enough at the best. Don't let's make it any worse," said he.

Slapjack inhaled deeply, spat with disgust and looked over his boss indignantly.

"Well, of all the different kinds of blame facts," he snorted, "you are the kindest!" He marched past the marshal and his deputies down to the cut, put on his coat and vanished down the trail toward town, not deigning a backward glance either at the mine or at the man unit to fight for.

DR. MURPHY DEAD.

Well Known Superintendent of the Morganton Hospital Passes Away—One of the State's Most Useful Men.

Charlotte Chronicle, 11th.

Dr. Patrick Livingston Murphy, for 25 years superintendent of the State Hospital at Morganton, died this morning at 11:30 o'clock at his home in Morganton, after an illness of a year.

He was born on October 23, 1818, in Sampson county near Clinton, and spent the younger part of his life. He was the son of the late Patrick Murphy and before his marriage his mother was Miss Eliza A. Faison. He was educated at the Bingham School, which was then at the Oaks, afterwards at Albemarle.

When Gen. Stoneman at the close of the war, dashed through the mountains and made his raid from Greensboro to Salisbury, the cavalry corps was ordered into the field to meet him; but that was the only military service that Dr. Murphy ever performed.

Later he went to school to Col. Tew at Hillsboro. His medical education was completed at the University of Virginia, but after receiving his degree there, he studied several years more at the University of Maryland. For several years he practiced medicine in Sampson county and from there went to Staunton, Va., where he served some time as assistant physician at the Western Insane Asylum. While in Staunton he received the appointment to the superintendent of the hospital for the insane at Morganton, and since that time had made Morganton his home.

Dr. Murphy was a member of the board of medical examiners of North Carolina and one of the board of directors of the School for the Deaf and Dumb at Morganton. He was at one time the president of the North Carolina Medical Society and an officer in the American Medico-Psychological Association.

He was married to Miss Bettie Waddell Bumgardner of Augusta county, Va., in October, 1878, who survives him. From the marriage there are four surviving children. They are Miss May McCorkle Murphy, Mr. William Alexander Murphy, Mr. James Bumgardner Murphy and Mr. Robert Livingston Murphy. Mrs. Charles Williams of Wallace, N. C., a sister of Dr. Murphy, also survives him.

The death of Dr. Murphy was not unexpected. He has been ill for the past year, and last September was taken to Baltimore, Md., for treatment. In Baltimore during the past year he was operated on several times and was finally sent home by his physicians, but to die. The cause of his death was pneumonia. His beloved wife and children were at his bedside when the end came.

While Dr. Murphy was an alienist of very high merit, he was wonderfully endowed with common sense and as a practical administrator had no superior. In the management of the hospital he conducted the affairs of the immense institution so as to excite genuine admiration. At the head of this great State institution, which he has controlled since it was founded in 1883, and which under him has received more than 4,000 patients, Dr. Murphy most successfully and admirably managed it. He stood in the first rank among the eminent men of his profession and reflected honor upon the medical fraternity and upon the people among whom he was born and raised. In person, like his father, he was tall of stature, sinewy and capable of long continued exertion. Although delicate in his early youth, in his more mature manhood he was vigorous and full of health.

A Humane Appeal. A humane citizen of Richmond, Ind., Mr. U. D. Williams, 107 W. Main st., says: "I appeal to all persons with weak lungs to take Dr. King's New Discovery, the only remedy that has helped me and fully comes up to the proprietor's recommendation."

Health in the Canal Zone. The high wages paid make it a mighty temptation to our young artisans to join the force of skilled workmen needed to construct the Panama canal. Many are restrained, however, by the fear of fevers and malaria. It is the knowing ones—those who have used Electric Bitters, who go there without this fear, well knowing they are safe from malarious influence with Electric Bitters on hand. Cures blood poison too, biliousness, weakness and all stomach, liver and kidney troubles. Guaranteed by English Drug Company, 50c.

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WOMAN SHOT BY BURGLAR.

Mrs. Mary Lawless Rorschach, Wife of a Lieutenant in the United States Navy, Shot and Killed by a Negro Who Entered Her Home—The Brave Woman Fired Twice at the Intruder, Who Seized Her Pistol and Fired Fatal Shot Into Her Breast at Close Range.

Norfolk, Va., Dispatch, 2nd.

Mrs. Mary Lawless Rorschach, wife of Lieutenant Frank Rorschach, United States navy, and sister of Joseph T. Lawless, former Secretary of the Commonwealth of Virginia, was murdered in her home, No. 832 Park avenue, Park View, Portsmouth, by an unknown burglar at 3:15 o'clock this morning. She was shot through the heart with her own pistol taken from her by the burglar after she had fired twice upon him through an open door leading into the kitchen where he was cornered.

The murderer escaped, dropping the pistol as he fled through the wood house door in the rear of the kitchen.

Bloodhounds carried to the house from the Portsmouth jail shortly after the alarm was sounded, secured a scent and ran from the house. The scent was soon lost, however, and the hounds were unable to pick up the trail.

Mrs. Rorschach was living with her two children, the elder 7 and the younger 5 years old. Her husband recently was promoted and transferred from the battleship Kentucky to the cruiser Tennessee and is with Admiral Evans' fleet off Provincetown, Mass.

The two shots fired by Mrs. Rorschach awakened her elder boy, Frank, Jr. She cried to him that somebody had taken her pistol and shot her. She told him to go for help.

The boy rushed for assistance, but when he returned with neighbors his mother was dead. An effort was made to inform Lieutenant Rorschach by wireless telegraph of the tragedy.

The Rorschach home is immediately in the rear of the Naval Hospital woods in Portsmouth, and near a lumber mill by which negroes frequently pass. A newsboy, who lives nearby, saw a negro shortly after the tragedy running rapidly by his home towards a small foot bridge. The negro was taking off his coat. While Mrs. Rorschach had a lamp in her hand the burglar evidently was in the dark. Both bullets fired by the woman were fouled in the wall of the kitchen.

Mrs. Rorschach, with her money tied in a roll and hanging around her neck, had run down stairs by the back way. She was standing in an entry way just at the foot of the steps when she fired. The lamp which she held was found at her feet unbroken though the lamp shade was shattered. The pistol had been placed close to Mrs. Rorschach's left breast over her night dress and discharged. It was a five-shooter and three chambers were empty. These were the two fired by Mrs. Rorschach and the one fired by the burglar upon her. Her money and jewelry were untouched.

The victim's youngest child, Lawless, slept through the excitement. Mrs. Rorschach was very handsome. She was about 36 years old and one of the most accomplished musicians in Virginia.

Had Tetter for Thirty Years. I have suffered with tetter for thirty years and have tried almost countless remedies with little, if any, relief. Three boxes of Chamberlain's Salve cured me. It was a torture. It breaks out a little sometimes, but nothing to what it used to do.—D. H. Beach, Midland City, Ala. Chamberlain's Salve is for sale by English Drug Co.

Who is paid only when he plays? The actor.

There are a great many people who have slight attacks of indigestion and dyspepsia nearly all the time. Their food may satisfy the appetite but it fails to nourish the body simply because the stomach is not in fit condition to do the work it is supposed to do. It can't digest the food you eat. The stomach should be given help. You ought to take something that will do the work your stomach can't do. Kodol For Indigestion and Dyspepsia, a combination of natural digestants and vegetable acids, digests the food itself and gives strength and health to the stomach. Pleasant to take. Sold by S. J. Welsh and C. N. Simpson, Jr.

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What workman is continually on the strike? A blacksmith.

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