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CANYON CITY, TEXAS, THURSDAY, DECEMBER, 26, 1901.

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**OUR SPECIALTIES ARE** 

Upper Grades of Flooring, Ceiling, Drop Siding, Beveled Siding, Finishing, Etc.

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Send to-us for Prices Before Buying.

CANYON CITY.

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Pecos Valley lines give rates tor Christmas and New Year via the Santa Fe to all points in tion of Dr. A. Boschee, a celebrated Iowa, Kansas, Nebraska, South edged to be one of the most fortun-Dakota and North Dakota. To ate discoveries in medicine. It quick House of Commons. all points east of the Mississippi ly cures coughs, colds and all-lung river including Memphis and troubles of the severest nature, re-New Orleans. Rates to the moving as it does, the cause of the southeast, over the Denver to strong and healthy condition. It is points in Colorado. Dates of not an experimental medicine, but agents at destination for return Boschee's German syrup was introtrip. Local round trip tickets duced in the United States in 1868, limit January 3, 1901.

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German syrup is the special prescri affection and leaving the parts in a Two million bottles sold annually.

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The Companion always gives new subscriber will receive free government of the United States from the time the subscription will be represented in contribu- is received. tions from Secretary of the Treasury, Gage; Secretary of the Navy, Long; Postmaster-General Smith. and Assistant Secretary of the War Sanger-a list it is believed, never equaled in a previous year.

The government of Great Britain will be represented by contributions from the Duke of Argyll the Marquis of Dufferin and Ava and the Rt. Hon. James Bryce, T. P. O'Cohnor and Winston Churchill members of the

Other noteworthy contributors will be Wu Tingfang, Chi nese minister at Washington, Booker T. Washington, President of Tuskegee Institute, Jussale Dec. 21, 22 and 23, 1901. has stood the test of years, giving tice Brewer of the United States Final limit 30 days. All tickets satisfaction in every case, which its Supreme Court, Gen. Chas. will have to be executed by increasing sale every season confirms. King and Rear Admiral Hich born, while more than two hundred of the most popular living on Pecos Valley and S. K. & T. and is now sold in every town and story writers will contribute Selling dates Dec. 23, 24, 25, 26 village in the civilized world. Three from four to six fascinating sto-and 31 and January 1.— Final doses will relied any ordinary ries to each of the fifty-two issues of The Companion for 1902.

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more than it promises. The all the remaining issues of 1901

The Youth's Companion.

195 Columbus Avenue,

Boston, Mass

Holiday Excursions Over The Denver Road.

and January 1st, The Denver its local stations at a rate of round trip tickets, good until January 3rd, 1901.

A. B. SPENCER, T. P. A. Amarillo, Texas.

Have you seen that lovely ing 1902. new silverware at Hadley Drug Company's. It is great and, at prices that will surprise.

International Stock Food guaranteed to make hens lay, at Canyon Drug Company's.

See those lovely tea sets a The Hadley Drug Company.

Try Secretary Gage cigar Canyon Drug Company's.

We desire to return our sincere thanks for the very liberal patronage we have favored with during the year now closing, espec-On December 23, 24, 25, 26, 31, ally while our cost sale has been on, we Road will sell tickets to all of have not made any money out of that; but one and one third fare for the hope you have. Once more we thank you, one and all and trust you have been so well pleased that you will be equally kind to us dur-

Yours For Trade. .

THE CANYON MERCANTILE CO.

We wish to thank our friends and patrons for the liberal patronage given us especially since our cost sale has been on, and to say that we have been highly pleased with the results.

WITH A VIEW TO CLOSING OUT THAT PART OF OUR BUSINESS

WE WILL

## CONTINUE TO SELL OUR DRY GOODS AT COST.

Notwithstanding our stock has been somewhat reduced you will find many seasonable goods and we are paying

NO ATTENTION TO COST IN MAKING PRICES ON OUR BROKEN STOCK.

They may not have known the reason but when SMITH WALKER & CO. said they would sell AT COST those who knew them beleived it.

REMEMBER ALL GOODS CHARGED WILL BE AT REGULAR PRICES.

## SMITH WALKER & COMPANY.

A Chance to go Home.

For your Christmas and New Year is offered by the Texas & Pacific Railway Company, This popular line which has always been most prominent in handling Holiday excursions will be offered and every politeness will be offered and every politeness will be offered in viting routes will be offered and every politeness will be o

our Card Of Thanks.

We wish to thank our patrons and the trading public generally for the very liberal patronage we have been favored with during the year just closing. We have done our utmost to please, and feel that our efforts have not been wasted.

Wishing each a merry Xmas, and a pleasant and prosperous New Year. We are,

Sincerely Yours,

SMITH WALKER & CO.

### Doung Ladies, Attention!

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A Bargain Lot of Printers.

The Stayer is in receipt of a job lot of printers that are strictly Up-todate (?) and will be disposed of to deserving young ladies on remark. ably attractive terms. The lot comprises one quite good-looking (?) young man, 25 years old, warranted not to balk at dish-washing, heretofore held at \$1.00, now marked down to 99 cents. One young man not quite so good-looking, but willing to do any old house work, 21 years old. warranted kind, heretofore held at \$1.50, now to be had at 48 cents. Also one young man, 19 years old, slightly shop worn, has a lovable disposition, will not do housework but is amiable, kind and pretty, heretofore held at 50 cents, but now marked down to 23 cents.

Come early and avoid the rush, as this is a discarded sample lot and could not be duplicated at such attractive figures. Terms of sale, onehalf cash, balance in three months with range delivery.

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## Our Thanks.

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Mr. Chas. R. Burrow, in behalf of the Canyon Lumber Company desires to thank the public for the very nice business they have doneduring the year 1901.

And hopes that they will be favored by their friends equally as much in 1902. The Company, will, as they have always done, spare no pains to please, and we especially solicit your business.

THE CANYON LUMBER COMPANY.

This name on a hat denotes the acme of style, the perfection of material and manufacture,



the certainty of good service. Roelofs Hats are the American standard for manly headgear -- recog-

nized as best by the unconditional award of The Grand Prix, Paris Exposition last year. Ask your dealer or write for particulars. HENRY H. ROELOFS & CO., Philadelphia.

The best Teams, Rigs, Livery Barn and Wagon Yard in West Texas. - Coal, Grain and all sorts of Field seeds as cheap as the same quality can be had from any one. The best and nicest bus in the country to meet all trains. Fair and Courteous treatment to all. Business South of the square

#### CANYON CITY, TEXAS

#### THE GENEVA

#### NURSERY CO.

GENEVA, NEB.

Growers of all kinds of hardy apples, peaches, plums, pears, apricots and cherry trees, and evergreens, ornamental trees, shrubery and roses of all kinds, also small fruit, such as strawberries, blackberries, raspberries, dewberies, rhubarb. etc., all of the finest quality. Satisfaction guaranteed. For further information address

H. M. MILLER,

47 STOUT STREET, DENVER, COLO. Reference, Denver National Bank.

Miss Grayson and Miss Nellie Grayson, from Beverley, spent Christmas in the city.

Have you a cold? A dose of Balards Horehound Syrup at bed-time will remove it. Price 25# and 50# at Coffee, Arbuckles, per ib ..... 14 Hadley Drug Co.

Mrs. Cordrey and Master Otho spent Christmas eve in the city, Edna Henson.

The disposition of children largely Coal Oil, per ten gal. depends upon health. If they are troubled with worms, they will be irritable, cross, feverish, and perhaps seriously sick. White's Cream Verm ifuge is a worm expeller and tonic to make them healthy and cheerful. Price 25g at Hadley Drug Co.

If you want a first class meal, nicey cooked and neatly served, for ony 25¢, go to the Rogerson hotel.

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#### Married

At the residence of the bride's parents, Mr, and Mrs. R. A. Campbell, Mr. Robert Stratton and Miss Neva Campbell. The ceremony was performed at 4 o'clock on Sunday, Dec. Want to see you during the hol-22, in the presence of a number of friends and relatives by Rev. C. M

The happy couple took the 6 principal points in the south o'clock train to visit the bridegroom's relatives at Henrietta, Tex. May a long life and many bright days of happiness be their lot are the wishes of many friends.

A Friend.

Mr and Mrs. John A. Gaut, of the Green Valley Ranch, entertained a house party Christmas lars call on or address. day. A delicious course dinner was served. Those present were Wade Stevenson and Miss Qua Long, A. G. Richardson and Miss Mae Lair. Mr. and Mrs. Gaut are perfect entertainers and the young people report a most delightful time.

#### For Sale Cheap

One pig and three shoats. Call on r address J. N. Hadley, Canyon,

Mr. and Mrs. C. P. Money of spare ribs and back bone.

#### LOCAL MARKET REPORT For the week ending Thursday

Flour ...... \$2.00 to 2.50 

Nails.....

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Millet seed per bu.....1.50

Old Folks at Home.

idays and The Denver Road has

made a rate of one fare and a

eastern states, to enable you to

Tickets will be on sale for

morning trains of December 21.

22, and 23, and will be good for

thirty days from date of sale.

For rates and other particu-

A. B. SPENCER, T. P. A.

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W. F. STERLEY, Ass't. G. P.-A.

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Amarillo, Texas.

go home for Christmas.

Bacon strips, smoked, dry salt ..... 12 Corn per case.... 2.10@2.25 DRIED FRUIT. Peaches, new crop per fb .... 10 Panhandle 

Prunes, dark, ...... 81 Higgins... Apricots ...... 121 Gage ...... Woodward.......11.35 "
Where it will connect with a train Molasses per gal......40@60 Potatoes new ...... 2@21 UNDERSTOOD THAT WE DO NOT GUAR-Java, ..... 20 shipments all along the line, as this

chickens per doz....\$2.00@2.50 train contemplates, and may have to unload for feed and rest, in order to comply with the law. We have selected Wednesday's market for the 

Mexican beans......8 train load shipments, with proper notice, on any day of the week as suits shipper. This weekly stock train is simply intended to take care

The various Christmas trees Coal per ton.....\$6.00@\$7.00 were no doubt very much enjoy-Bran ..... 1.20 ed by the children. The Bap. Oats...... 1.75 tist, Methodist and Union Sunday Schools each had a tree. 

third for the round trip to the long to be remembered.

WHOLESALE AND RETAIL

### GRAIN AND COAL

All Kinds of Field Seeds.

The Largest and Best Wagon Yard and Sheds on the Plains

#### Your Business Solicited.

The public school will open again Monday. All the little people should be willing to enter with renewed vigor and determination to make the most of their opportunities for the rest of the term.

#### JEWELRY!

R. B. Redfearn, the old reliable, has on sale, a beautiful line of solid gold, rolled gold, sterling silver and plated rings, pins, brooches, cuff buttons, collar buttons, fancy stick pins, bracelets, in fact a line too numerous to mention. Call and see what in effect a new schedule of pashave our thanks for a big mess marvelous bargains he is offering. Remember

#### REDFEARN.

Weekly Stock Train. NOTICE TO SHIPPERS.

Amarillo, Texas, August 29, 1901 We have arranged to start a Weekly Stock Train for Kansas City, begin ning on next Sunday night, Septem

..........12.30 A. M. Monday

will put cattle into Kansas City for Wednesday's market, BUT IT MUST BE ANTER TO MAKE THIS MARKET, AS WE are liable to be delayed in gathering reason that we are assured that the market on the following day, Thurs-

We will still continue to handle Don A. Sweet, Traffic Manager.

Alfalfa hay......10.00 Canyon City Pharmacy.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Lair spent Christmas with Mrs. Lair's parents, Rev. and Mrs. Robinson, on the ranch recently purchased from Mr. Bob Robinson.

#### New Passenger Schedule.

DIRECT CONNECTION IN BOTH DI-RECTIONS BETWEEN CANYON CITY AND KANSASCITY.

THROUGH SLEEPERS BETWEEN CARLSBAD AND WICHITA.

Beginning Sunday, November 3rd, the Pecos System will put senger service, the changes being of special advantage to patrons of the line. Train No. 202 for the north will leave Canyon City at 6:08 p. m., arriving at Amarillo at 6:55 p. m., where direct connections will be made with the Southern Kansas of Texas train for Kansas City, arriving at Kansas City on the evening of the second day.

A special feature of the new schedule will be through sleepers in each direction between Carlsbad and Wichita, Kansas making close connections with the Santa Fe Kansas City sleepers. Train No. 201 from the north will reach Canyon City at 10:05 a. m., leaving Amarillo at

#### THE FACTS

IN THE CASE

When you read a thing you like to feel that it's the truth. THE DALLAS SEMI-WEEKLY NEWS gives the facts in the case.

#### SPECIALLY

EDITED. If you'll read The News awhile ou'll like it. It holds the attention. It is specially edited, that's why. Brains and not hap-hazzard go into the make-up of The News'

#### TWO PAPERS

YOU NEED You need THE STAYER, because it's

your local paper. It gives a class of news you can't get elsewhere. You need The News because it gives you all the Statenews. THE STAYER and The Semi-Weekly News one year for \$1.50, cash in advance. The News is promptly stopped at expiration of time paid for.

#### Carnaveaux is Coming.

He is a Mind Reader and Your-Prescriptions Carefully Hypnotist will play Canyon Compounded, day or Night at City, Monday, Tuesday and tf Wednesday nights of next week. Prof. Carnaveaux performs a Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Trimble wonderful feat in his perilous entertained at dinner Christmas drive through the principal day in honor of their children streets blindfolded, finding a visiting them. In the house hidden key, he goes to the post party was Mrs. Harper, Mr. and office, unlocks a box and reads Mrs. W. M. Smith, Mrs. Brown the address on a letter and deand Mrs. Ragan. Mr. and Mrs. livers the key to the owner. He R: W. Morgan and children and gets his information by Reading Mr. P. J. Kesseler were among Minds. See his performances the guests. We enjoyed a most at the Odd Fellows Hall. They delicious dinner, pleasant con- are highly interesting, instructvesation, games, etc. A day ive and beneficial. Everybody

### Every one should figure on re- WE ARE HERE turning home during Christmas holidays—especially this year, to tell their friends of the favor-

to sell the best goods at reasonable prices. We want a share of your patronage and by courteous treat-ment and honest dealing we hope to hold your trade. Our stock of

GROCERIES, COUNTRY Road." Will there be special CONFECTIONS, FRUITS AND VEGETABLES rates? Certainly! Ask the is the fresh to be found on the market.

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the cable car. That the man was

the cab to the Knickerbocker bank, ex-

Vithout Reilly's knowledge - a deep

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rect further operations. What I can-

he did in conveying Arbogast's body

tion was plainly to make away with

the bookkeeper in any event. I can

explain this only on the supposition

that Seymour thought he could con-

police. On the part of any ordinary

disposed to criticise his generalship in

I have derived a profound admiration

him this time. Its instrument was the

to escape, as you know, and he has thus

far succeeded in avoiding arrest, al-

that sails, every train that leaves New

York, is watched, but thus far without

result. For my part, I am convinced

that Chatham has not yet attempted

"with his wounded hand he is a marked

man; he would be easily recognized in

a strange city. His safest hiding-place

dark just now, and and so am I."

"And so that is all you have been

able to discover? Not a trace of the

money? It does not seem possible

called on both Mr. Murray and Mr.

Scott; but, beyond the fact that Chat-

ham, like Arbogast, was a model em-

ploye, all I got from them was the address of Chatham's boarding-house;

there I was informed that the ac-

countant had moved on New Year's

eve without leaving his new address.

There is one other link in the chain

of evidence which I have investigated;

but I cannot tell yet whether it will

ing the slightest trace."

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"Secondly-The cab, which had been

hesitate to betray Chatham and have sent for Chatham, and I shall give him warning of my intended flight. If he sees fig. he can take such steps as he may choose to escape his own richly deserved my intended flight.

While Sturgis was reading Arbogast's letter, Dunlap, restlessly pacing the room, had observed him furtively. "Well?" he now inquired, stopping before the reporter, "what do you think

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of that?" "Poor woman!" exclaimed Sturgis, feelingly; "it is terrible to think of the suffering brought upon her by her husband's guilt. I ought to be hardened to a situation like this; for it is the inevitable sequel of almost every crime that is ever committed. But I am moved every time by the pathetic expiation of the innocent for the

"Yes, yes; I know," said Dunlap, indifferently; "that it not what I meant. Did you note the amount which this seoundrel confesses he and his accomplices have stolen from the bank?"

"Yes; it is a large sum." "Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars! Why, man, if that is true, it is enough to cripple the bank-No, no; I don't mean that, of course; the bank is rich and could stand the loss of four times that amount. But a quarter of a million is a round sum, for all of that. It does not seem possible that, in spite of all our care, they can have succeeded in making away with so complice a hand in the nick of time; according to office and store occupy much money. But they did. There can and then, like a prudent general, he rether the lant of an old ramshackle be no doubt about that; for in the pa- tired to a safe position, thence to di- buildinose upper stories are pers which Arbogast inclosed for me in his letter to his wife he explains just how the thing was done. It is simple enough when you know the trick; but it took flendish cunning to devise it. from the bank, since Seymour's inten-I never would have thought that rascally bookkeeper intelligent enough to oneoct such a scheme.

"If the scheme is a work of genius," said Sturgis, "you may rest assured that 'X'-who may very well be Henry Seymour-was the author of it."

"Well, at any rate," observed Dunlap, "there is one thing that must be done at once; and that is to find both Chatham and Seymour. It is not possible that in two years these men have spent quarter of a million dollars between

"It is at all events possible that they may not have done so," replied Sturgis, "for my investigations show that both Arbogast and Chatham have been men of regular and exemplary habits in their private lives. They do not appear to have been living much, if at all, beyond their means. There does not seem to have been, in the case of either man, any room for a double existence, which might otherwise have explained the situation. Neither was a spendthrift or a gambler, and neither was dissipated."

"Then you have not the faintest idea of the present whereabouts of Chatham or of his mysterious accomplice?"

"Let me tell you exactly what I have done up to the present time; and then you will be able to judge for yourself. And I, too, shall see more clearly where and; for the necessity of putting one's thoughts into words is an aid to clear thinking."

CHAPTER XIII.

THE LOST TRAIL So saying, Sturgis settled himself in his chair and began his narrative. "After leaving you this morning, my first step was to gain admission to the

"To the Tombs?" interrupted Dun-

Test the cabman has been remanded to the Tomba to await trial for complicity in the murder of the unknown man whose body was found in his cab."
"Arbogast's?"

Yes, Arbogast's. But of course the police do not know that."

"Were you allowed to see the cab-"Yes. As reporter of the Tempest,

him. When first arrested, the man, whose name, by the way, is Reilly, was mennable of making a connected statement; the lawyer assigned to defend him laughed in his face when he heard his story, and advised him to leave the romancing to a trained lawyer as his only chance of escaping the electric ances, the poor fellow hesitated to m bimself to a stranger. But

Anally managed to gain his confidence by showing him that I believed his story, and that I was trying to find the men whose scapegoat he now is. It seems that yesterday afternoon, at shout three o'clock, he was stationed at the cab-stand in front of Madison square, where he was accosted by a n, answering Chatham's description. who engaged him to drive him to the Fulton street ferry. On reaching the ferry, the man ordered Reilly to proceed to a low grogshop on South street, Here he entered, returning in a few minutes to invite the cabman to take a drink with him. The men seated themselves at a table upon which a bottle and two filled glasses were al-ready placed. Chatham handed one of these glasses to Reilly, who drank it and probably many more. At any

There is not much to tell on this " answered Sturgis. "You will call that according to the evidence hich we have thus far collected, natham was attacked by Arbogast ile he was in the act of using the

Yes; I remember how minutely reconstructed that scene." .

Well," continued the reporter, "I at once that the telephone might sibly prove to be an important witfor the prosecution, if I could discover the name of the-person whom Chatham was talking in he was shot. I therefore called e central office to make inquiries. was able to specify almost the minute at which this call was it was an easy matter to find young woman who had answered events, he remembers nothing further ut the chances were that she until he was rudely shaken by Chat-d not remember the number

ham, who led him out into the street, I for. She did, however, for it

Here the cold air revived him, and he een fixed in her memory by some remembers noticing several things to jal circumstances. It seems that she was listening for a reply eard a sharp report, followed scream; then a sound of convoices, and presently another facing south when he entered the barreport. After that came comlilence, and she was unable to "Thirdly-Chatham persistently carany reply to her repeated ried his left hand in the bosom of his

have here corroborative evi-"He with difficulty climbed upon the df the scene between Chatham box beside Reilly and ordered him to allogast," said Dunlap.

but I did not need that. Wwished to know was the name person with whom Chatham to converse." after the overturning of the cab by w

ou discover it?" number of the telephone he probable that while he sat apparently gothat of the Manhattan Chemdrunk in the barroom, Chatham took ic pany."

what is the Manhattan Chempecting to smuggle Arbogast into it lerpany?" is the question I asked peomove, since it would effectually cover ple ected with the commercial up the trail, if they wanted to make age They replied that they know little concerning this firm; calthough it has been in exhim at the bank by appointment; but ister a couple of years, it ap-I am more inclined to believe that he parmever asks anyone for credwas there unknown to Chatham, and it, ling to pay cash for all the possibly for the purpose of spying goodered to it. I called at the upon the latter, to see if his instruc- officethe Manhattan Chemical tions were carried out. He lent his ac- compo investigate on my own rented as business offices. The not yet understand is, why Chatham Inborand manufacturing departs should have taken the enormous risk ment downstairs in the cellar. The stantains only a few chairs

and a ounter behind which rise shelves ining rows of bottles with briv colored labels. A few painted upon the walls vaunt the mer. Dr. Henderson's Cough ceal the body in some way and prevent . Cure and Henderson's Liver Specific. I a expect to find anyone it from falling into the hands of the in on Neur's day. I was, thereeriminal this would have been rank fore, surf to see a solitary clerk as Seymour are such that I do not feel apparently bed in the reading of this particular without first undertery green-yes and a scant musstanding his ultimate object. From what I have seen of his work thus far, mouth. He to greet me with an white upon the floor caught be air of surprhich does not speak He stooped to pick it up. for the man's genius and cunning deviltry. Fortunately fate was against well for the ness of trade in the ter in a beautifulty establishmendeed, if we are to hand. Me cable car which overturned the cab. judge by theet of things in the thus delivering Arbogast's body into the hands of the police and furnishing

does not appear to be flourishing just. violently from him. the key without which, it is onite likely, Seymour might have remained forat present. By the way, did you ever hear of Dr. Henderson's remedies?" "No; I cannot say that I have," an-"You think, then, you will succeed in unearthing this villain?" asked Dunswered Dunlap.

"That is the curious part of it." said Sturgis. "I have been unable to "While there's life, there's hope," discover any advertisement published said Sturgis, with grim determination; "but I must confess that the outlook at by this firm; and it it only by profuse advertising that such a concern can present is not exactly brilliant. However, let me finish my report. During the excitement that followed the over-

"Yes, of course," exlaimed Dunlap, turning of the cab, Chatham managed somewhat impatienty; "but what has all this to do wit Chatham?" though the police have kept a sharp lookout for him. Every steamship

"I asked to see Dr. Ienderson," he continued, "at which he sleepy clerk stared at me in open-outhed amazement. Dr. Hendersorwas not in; it was quite uncertain hen he would "Isn't it probable, on the contrary, be in. Indeed, as fans I was able to judge, Dr. Hendersoappears to be that he fled from New York immediatea rather mysterious psonage. No ly after running away from the overone knows much aboutim. Even his "I do not think so," replied Sturgis; clerk admits that hems seen him only once or twice in ie 18 months during which he has id charge of the office. The doctorttends to the manufacturing part ofhe business is here in New York, where he doubtless has friends ready to conceal him. himself; his laborate, which is down in the cellar, is aost jealously Be that as it may, he remains for the present under cover and the scent is guarded place. No o'is ever adost. The police are groping in the mitted to it under anyetext. He is evidently afraid that me one may The banker looked sorely disapdiscover the secret ous valuable remedies."

"You say that as if y words were meant to convey somunexpressed. meaning," said Dunlaptudying the reporter's face.

that a quarter of a million dollars can disappear so completely without leav-"No." Sturgis answer thoughtfully, "but I am tryin to attach "If we can ever find Seymour," resome ulterior significe to the plied Sturgis, "I make no doubt we facts. There is certain something shall be able to locate the lion's share mysterious about Dr. Herson and the Manhattan Chemic company; "Yes," he added, thoughtfully, but whether the myster legitimate or not, and if not, wheth is in any "that is all I havesbeen able to discover up to the present time; or, at way connected with t Arbogast least, all that seems to be of any imcase, is more than I at present mediate importance. Of course, I able to determine."

After a short pause he inued: "When I found that th was no chance of seeing Dr. Heson himself. I inquired at a ver for the manager. For an insta puzzled look lent expression to therwise vacuous features of the ng man. Then a sudden inspiratieemed to come to him. 'Oh! ah!' he exclaimed, 'you mean Mr. S.' 'Yes,' said I, catching at a strawell, but lead to anything or not. It may be Mr. Smith is not in, eithd offered immaterial; but who knows? Pos- to wait for Mr. Smith, airted toaibly it may prove the key to ward the door of the prioffice in the rear, because it bore ominent inscription: ADMIT-

and mob be-

fore the clerk could stop me; but the door was locked. Mr. Smith, it seems, comes to the office only once a week to receive the clerk's report and to pay him his salary. I tried to make a special appointment to meet Mr. Smith, on the plea of important business. I left a fictitious name and address so that Mr. Smith's answer might be sent to me. That was all I was able to do Ar the time being; but I thought it worth while to keep an eye open on the Manhattan Chemical company; so I have engaged private detectives to watch it for me night and day until further no-

tice. And there the matter stands." Dunlap rose wearily from his chair. He looked anxious and careworn, "Mr. Sturgis." he said, "if you can

find any part of that \$250,000, a good share of whatever you can recover for the bank is yours." The reporter flushed and bit his lip;

but he answered quietly: "You mistake me for a detective, Mr. Dunlap; I am only a reporter. I shall be paid by the Tempest for any work I which he did not pay much attention giving Chatham the connection may do on this case. You would betat the time, but which seem significant nted, the operator rang him up. ter offer your reward to the police."

> CHAPTER XIV. THE LETTER.

There is a magic in the refreshing deep of youth calculated to exorcise the megrims. When Sprague, arising after a good night's rest, found the world bathed in the sunshine of a erisp January day, he felt the physical pleasure of living which comes from supple muscles, from the coursing of a generous blood through the veins, from the cravings of a healthy appe-

He remembered the "blue devils" of the day before, and found it difficult to account for them. He was in love, certainly. But that in itself did not furnish a sufficient reason for despondeny. It was rumored that the object of his affections was on the eve of betrothal to another. But what dependence can be placed upon a public rumor? As a matter of fact Miss Murdock wore no rings; in the absence of the badge of the betrothed woman, was he not justified in believing her

fancy free? In that case, there was a fair field and no favor. Why should not he have as good a chance of winning the prize as another man? No man, of course, was worthy of Agnes Murdock. That was the fundamental axiom. But in love success does not perch only upon the bunner of the worthy. If it did, the human race would soon become ex-

So the young man's thoughts ran on, while hope once more found a resting place in his heart.

Miss Murdock was not to pose again, but Sprague was eager to work on the portrait. He was about to step into the studio after breakfast, when the housekeeper announced a call from his lawyer, who wished to consuit him about some important matters. The folly; but the resources of such a man sitting wil feet upon a desk and entire morning was thus consumed in necessary but tedpous business, and it a newspal pale young man of was not until after lunched that the the washe blond type, with wa- artist was at last nee to set to work. Uncovering the portrait, he stood off way, and

tache which to conceal a weak to examine it. As he did so, something

regular masculine hanteatly he turned, it over office of the Attan Chemical com-pany, business in patent medicines be realized what it was, and he flung it nes unfolded it. His eyes carelessly

Unly a few words had left their imbranded deep upon his brain for all time, in letters of fire which burned their way to his very soul. For he had recognized the letter which had been delivered by the messenger to Miss looking at the young man with undis-Murdock the may before, and he had

"I don't know," rplied Sturgis; heart. Overwhelmed with a sense of "possibly nothing; pehaps a great utter desolution, he sank back upon a of hope which had forked within his divan, and for a long time remained lost in bitter reflections.

But Sprague, in spite of his dilettanteism, were a man of grit, when oceasion called for it. Summoning at her young mistress and her unwellength his fortitude and his pride, he come guest as she went. proceeded to carry out what he conder the circumstances.

Picking up the letter again, he placed it unread in an envelope, into which he slipped his card, with a brief.exlauation of the finding of the paper. Then, after addressing the envelope, he etarted out to mail it himself.

"Thomas Chatham!" he mused, as he went down the stairs; "Thomas Chatham! Why, he is the man who took such pains to inform me that Miss Murdock was betrethed, or on the point of being betrothed the flashily dressed young man with red hair who is so regular an attendant at the Murdocks' informal receptions, and who never seems to be invited on state occasions; on insignificant and conceited puppy. Poor girl, what a pity that she should throw herself away upon such a man. But, if he marries her, he shall make her happy, or else-"

The balance of his thought was not put into words; but his face became set in stern lines and his hands clenched in grim determination.

Sprague, with the letter for Miss Murdock in his hand, hurried to the nearest letter box, raised the lid of the drop, inserted the letter in the slot and then tightened his grasp of it and began to think.

The letter, if mailed, might perhaps not reach its destination until the following morning. It might be of importance, since it had been sent by messenger and to the studio instead of to Miss Murdock's house, Besides, Miss Murdock would probably be worried when she discovered that she had lost it. It ought therefore to be returned

to her at ones. The letter, by this time, had been withdrawn from the slot of the letter

Yes, it ought to be returned by mes-

senger instead of by mail. By messen-

But what can I do? I do not care

for you in the way you wish, and af-

fection is not to be coerced. I have

done the best I could to discourage

"I know you have," interrupted

Chatham; "you have avoided me, and

snubbed me, and taken every way you

could to show that you do not like

"It would have been mistaken kind-

"No, it wouldn't," exclaimed the ac-

countant; "I don't ask you to love

me; not at once, at any rate. - But

give me a show; give me time; give

"I cannot do that," said the girl, in

"Why can't you?" urged the young

man excitedly. "I have sacrificed ev-

erything for you; I have given up all I

had; I have lost my position; I have

"I don't understand you," said Miss

Murdock, looking at him in astonish-

ness to do otherwise," said Agnes,

you, because-"

me a little hope-

a low tone.

risked my life-"



IN A FLASH HE REALIZED WH

ger? It was about half a mile to t nearest district messenger office. T Murdocks' house was not much furthe Why not deliver the letter himself?

Why not, indeed? The human her has unfathomable depths. Why shou a hopeless lover pine for a mere sig of the woman whose presence only ad to his misery? Explain that who es Spragne carefully placed the lett

in his breast pocket and started again, this time directing his ste toward the Murdocks' home.

> CHAPTER XV. TWO LOVERS.

Miss Murdock was seated at the piar in the drawing-room, her shapely fi gers wandering dreamily over the key when a rervant knocked at the door. "A gintleman to see yer, miss," sa the maid.

"A caller!" exclaimed Agnes, in sur prise. "At this time of day? Did h give you his card?"

'No, miss. Nor his name, nayther." "Well, then, Mary," said Agnes, with mixture of amusement and severity, why do you announce him? I think ou would better keep an eye on the hat-rack."

"He ain't no thafe, miss," said the maid, positively; "he do be dressed up too foine fur that. Besoides, Oi've sane him here before. A hansum young feller wid rid hair-Mister-Mister-Cha-Chapman."

"Chatham!" suggested Agnes, with sudden seriousness.

"Yis, miss; it do be the same." "I cannot receive him," said Miss Murdock, in frigid tones. "I am surprised that John should have admitted him, after the explicit instructions I gave him yesterday. Hereafter I am never at home to Mr. Chatham." "Your butler is not at fault in this

instance." said a voice a secure either of the women

suld recover from her surprise, a flashily dressed young man with incarried bis left arm in a sling. His face was pale; his eyes glittered with a feverish light; his voice quivered with repressed excitement.

his office, when I heard your maid go by, and I asked her to announce me. press upon his retina-a few scattered I hoped for, but I can hardly say I words and a signature. But these were expected, a more hospitable reception. Miss Murdock, after the first shock

of surprise, had drawn up her graceful figure to its full height, and stood guised contempt in her flashing eyes.

visit before your servant?" he asked, bitterly. "You may leave, Mary, until I ring

for you," said the young girl, turning to the maid. The woman refuctantly left the room, easting curious glances upon

Chatham made a motion as if to ceived to be the duty of a gentleman un- 'take a chair; but Agnes remained significantly standing.

"Perhaps," she said, coldly, "you will be good enough to explain as briefly as possible your object in forcing your presence upon me in this ungentlemanly way?"

"I suppose my conduct does strike you as ungentlemanly," said the young man, piteously; "but what could I do? I love you devotedly, madly, and you will not allow me even to tell you so. You instruct your servants to turn me away from the door Mke a beggar. Is it a crime to love

"No. Mr. Chatham," said the orl, more gently, "it is not a crime to ove a woman; but it is at least a serious blunder to adopt the method you have selected of showing your affection, and it is certainly not generous to force it upon her as you are doing." "What else can I do?" he repeated,

doggedly. "Here ame I suddenly obliged to leave New York for a long time-perhaps forever-and unable to get a single word with you. I called yesterday morning and was informed that you were at that artist fellow's studio. Then I wrote you a letter, asking for an interview, and I left it there for you myself. The only notice you took of it was to give instructions to your butler not to admit me if 1. called again. I cannot go away like that, without a ray of hope to lighten my exile, and to leave you here surrounded by a lot of men who are anxious to marry you."

The tender-hearted girl felt a growing pity for the awkward and vulgar young man in whom she began vagueto discern a genuine suffering.

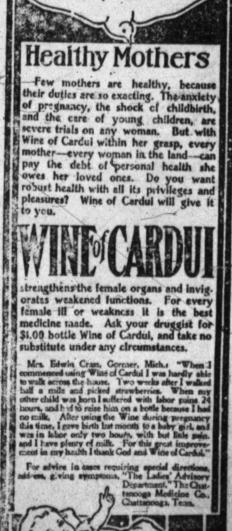
"I am sorry, Mr. Chatham," she

said, "more sorry than I can say.

Stolen.

From The Stayer office one ladies' black grain pocket book tensely red hair entered the room. He containing railroad passes and papers of no value to anybody but owner. Party taking will please return the papers, the "I was waiting for your father in railroad people will take care of any one presenting passes. The pocket book is worth about 15 cents and the thief may have it for his trouble. Nobody but a fool would steal an editor's purse for a sensible person would know there was nothing scen enough to know that it was. Chatham paused as if expecting a in it worth, having. Money is conched in words of passionate love. In reply; and then:

that instant was quenefied the last ray "Shall I explain the object of my print shop but we would like very much to have the papers and will ask no questions if they are returned



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Tulia both but we hope for fair most of it for he is delivering fruit weather for Christmas. We feel sor- trees ry for the poor freighter, they look like they would freeze to death.

Mr. Hamilton, of Plainview, passed down from Cauyon laid up, having gotten his foot mashed by a wagon running over it.

Will Dickenson and Earnest Matlock stopped in at Mr. Drake's Saturkay night. Will's feet were frozen. Earnest said his ears were frozen. They had two cows and a horse to real name? The children can scarcefile that night, suppose they froze to ly wait for the news to come, they

Most every one has fine pastures for their cattle besides the feed they

Mr. Wilkes went to Canyon last

Professor Tudor gives vacation next week.

Christmas hollidays many of the children are going to be surprised as some of their schoolmates are going to get married. We will give the names later on.

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