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Men Possess Fine Muscular Development and Women Are Well-Formed and Graceful—Folks Are Trustworthy and Industrious.

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MANCHESTER ENTERPRISE, THURSDAY, JAN. 18, 1917.

Gales of GOTHAM and other CITIES

Some Odd Things That Are Found in Philadelphia

PHILADELPHIA.—G. Caldwel K. Biddle used to say he could write a book about the queer things he knew in Philadelphia. Another book could be written about the many odd institutions or odd features of institutions about which only a few persons know anything.

There are the two quaint old fire insurance companies, "Our annual meetings," says a policyholder in one, "last only six minutes, but the annual dinner takes three hours."

The "Hand-in-Hand" and "Green Tree" are quite as unique as their names. For instance, the "Hand-in-Hand" is to firemen, the "Green Tree" to the Quaker charity, a big one, too, devolving solely in its management upon the Weatherby family. The remnant of the Revolution, made still more stately by Dr. S. Atwater Mitchell's "Hush Wives."

Another curious fact is that one of the city's savings banks could pay every depositor every cent and have remaining more than \$16,000,000, which apparently would not be necessary, as the bank is owned by the Biltz-Carlton hotel—an Indian reservation that must remain vacant for all time.

Who except the relatively few who contribute knowledge about the Merchants' fund? And yet that very honorable association is exactly as old as greater Philadelphia. It is to say sixty years.

It is an invested fund of more than \$1 million dollars, the income from which goes to "furnish relief to the indigent mechanics, especially such as are aged and infirm."

Last year its beneficiaries numbered 51 and they each received an average of \$100.

Akin to the Merchants' fund is the Mercantile Beneficial association. With a record of noble work of exactly three-quarters of a century behind it, it is the largest and most comprehensive of its kind in the world.

It is the sort of mercantile class man, the "Merchant," who is managing.

Benefit is open to anyone engaged in merchandising, and its helping hand is reached out, as in the other case, without any of its own members except a small committee knowing who has called for help.

Romance and Comedy in Postal Report of Chicago

CHICAGO.—Two certified and indorsed checks, each \$1,000,000, were delivered to and carefree through the mail of a United States mail sack, with no apparent destination or addressee.

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The Quarterbreed

A Modern Indian Reservation Story by Robert Ames Bennet

IF you discovered that an able man of unscrupulous character and political power enough to wreck your career was trying to do harm to the girl you loved by stealing her affections and turning them to evil purposes, would you shoot him before he spoiled the girl or wait until he did it and then kill him? Consider Captain Hardy's predicament, as described in this installment. The army officer, you will recall, went to Lakota reservation as acting agent following the murder of Agent Nogon and a threatened uprising of the Indians. Wounded by an ambush shot, he falls in love with Marie Dupont, a quarterbreed, who nurses him, but gives no definite answer to his proposal of marriage because she is emulated of Roginald Vandervyn, agency clerk and scrooge nephew of Senator Clemmer. Hardy learns the Indians are disaffected because off Jacques Dupont, a wily post trader, and Vandervyn have cheated them in an illegal tribal mine deal. At first the red men, deceived by Vandervyn, misunderstand the officer's motives, but finally accept him as their friend, and a commission, led by Vandervyn, prepares to go to Washington to secure a division of tribal lands and the sale of mines owned by Indians. Vandervyn plans to get profit for himself.

CHAPTER XVI.—Continued.

So began the second period of Hardy's close companionship with the girl, and the intimacy appeared as sincere and friendly as the first one, when Vandervyn was in the mountains with Redbear. Almost every day they rode out to examine the Wolf river watershed, and estimate as best they could without surveying instruments the number of acres that could be put under ditch.

Hardy had at once written for reports on similar undertakings. Before receiving them he was agreeably surprised by an official telegram from Washington instructing him to at once send on the tribal delegation, in the charge of Redbear. So swift an unrolling of government red tape proved that powerful influences were favoring the consummation of the new treaty. Hardy ungrudgingly gave Vandervyn the credit of being a very successful benevolent lobbyist.

A runner was dispatched to bring in Redbear and the delegates. They came without delay. Redbear's arm was so nearly healed that he had full use of it. Oinna did not accompany him. He said their grandfather had become so fond of her that he had insisted upon her remaining in the mountains until the return of the delegation from Washington. Marie offered to send for her and give her a home while her brother was away, but Redbear hastily declared that the girl wished to stay with the old chief.

Hardy took charge of the delegation as far as the railroad, and Marie and Dupont went along to keep him company. He provided for the comfort aboard train of Redbear and the five solemn chiefs, and shipped them off with through tickets to Washington and a careful set of instructions to help them in the conduct of their mission.

"My only wish is that I might go with them," he remarked, as the "iron horse" whirled them away toward the land of the sunrise. "They will be like Babes in the Woods."

"You have done your level best for them, Cap," replied Dupont. "You ain't got no license to worry nobow. Mr. Van is there to boost 'em along."

"Besides, you have your work here," added Marie with a glance that completely diverted his thoughts.

They spent the night in the rough shack misnamed a hotel, and at dawn started on their return to the agency. As Dupont's pony was continually lagging behind, Hardy had the pleasure of Marie's company virtually alone for the greater part of the ride. She seemed to enjoy this quite as much as he, and remained in gregarious good-humor even through the blazing heat of midday. Nor did she allow herself to feel fatigued until, after their arrival at the agency, she had cooked a savory supper, and then entertained Hardy for an hour or more in her artistic little parlor.

The next day, fresh as ever, Marie was ready to ride up to the falls and help him run a line of levels with the instruments that he had hired in town. Never had he known anyone so abundant in life. Mentally as well as physically, she seemed ever tireless, buoyant, animated.

Day after day they worked and planned for the good of the tribe; day after day her graciousness toward him increased. And day after day his love for her deepened and strengthened until it could be seen in his every look and act, and heard in every inflection of his voice when he spoke to her. Though her manner toward him showed no trace of overt coquetry, she made no effort to repulse his silent devotion or to check the growth of his passion.

A week after the departure of the delegation found him fully looking the part of a gallant lover—ardent, youthful, almost handsome. He had lost much of his former look of pensive severity. Even the silvery hairs over his temples seemed to be regaining their original ruddy brown.

A few days later one of the lines of levels happened to bring him and the girl to the edge of the coule, across from the butte. He suggested that they go down and across to the spring for a drink.

As they turned back, Marie recognized the exact spot where he had been shot. Womanlike, she shuddered and turned pale at the recollection, though at the time of the occurrence she had been so brave.

"Look!" she said in a half-whisper. "Here is where you fell. I thought you were killed!"

"The experience was well worth while," he replied. His voice shook with the irresistible passion of his love. "Dearest! let me call you that here, this once! It was here I first looked into the depths of your heart, and learned how good and kind you are."

The girl turned to hide her face from the reverent adoration of his gaze.

"No, no," she murmured. "Don't, please!"

"I must speak, dear," he replied. "I ask nothing of you. It is only that I wish to tell you how you made me realize again that life is worth living."

When I came from the Coast, I had lost one dearer to me than anyone else in all the world—my mother. She was a little woman, very frail—her blue eyes were dim and faded, her hair white; but even when she was at the very end—her dear eyes sought to ease my grief with the same look you gave me as you bent over me here and thought me fatally injured.

"Please!" begged the girl, choking back a sob. "I do not deserve—Your mother!—but I am not kind nor good!"

Hardy went on in the same voice of profound passion: "You lifted me out of the shadow of the Valley. You came to me in my blank darkness, a glorious light of divine goodness that compelled me to see that all was not wrong with the universe—that even so great a loss as mine might be for the best."

"I am not what you think me—I am not!" she retorted.

"You restored my faith and hope," he insisted. "It would be selfish of me to ask anything more of you now."

"It would be useless—useless!" she cried.

He was too little versed in feminine nature to realize that her vehemence might indicate an effort to suppress an inner doubt of the assertion. Had he been a few years younger, younger, impetuosity might have won him that which his reverent respect shrank from urging. He had taken her gloved hand. He pressed it to his lips, and freed her.

"I shall not annoy you, dear," he said. "Yet I cannot take that as final. I shall wait until he returns. Then I shall take my fighting chance."

"You will?" she whispered.

"I shall not give up until you have pledged yourself to him. If I can, I will prevent that. He cannot possibly love you as I love you. If it is possible to win you for my wife, I will do it."

Marie quivered, and shrank from him as if startled. "You say, when he comes back—But until then you—you will not—"

"Until then we shall continue to be the same good comrades that we have been."

The girl drew in a deep breath. "Then—let us go back to work."

Hardy accepted the suggestion with a self-control that was as remarkable as it was misplaced.

CHAPTER XVII.

The Only Woman.

During the pleasant, busy days that followed to all appearances Marie enjoyed the work and planning and the long hours of companionship fully as much as Hardy. Dupont, now ever bluff and genial, kept close to his store. But during the long evening discussions his eyes often twinkled curiously under their gray thatch.

No word had been received from Washington except two notes from Vandervyn to Dupont, reporting favorable progress and inclosing sealed letters to Marie. She told nothing of what these contained, even to her father.

Hardy's first—and last—message in regard to the new treaty was an official notification that it had been officially approved and signed, after fifteen million dollars had been decided-upon as the compensation to the tribe for the

more pleasant response to his bluffed welcome. He jerked open the door of the tonneau, and offered his hand to each of the commissioners in turn as he stepped stiffly out into the porch.

"My friend Jake Dupont, gentleman," said Vandervyn.

Every member of the party at once smiled upon the trader, and shook hands with him. Most cordial of all was the big man who had sat in the front seat.

"How can I?" he asked in an aggrieved tone. "You know that until we get the mine—But that won't be long now. These commissioners are jumping-jacks in the hands of my uncle."

"They will hustle matters through for us—short order. Once I—we get the mine, I'll be a free man, and then, sweetheart!"

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"You mean—what?" he stammered.

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"Why did you come first? Why could I not have known him first?"

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"Chesty lot, these lame ducks!" he said. "But they stand in with the big fellows. They had the cars shipped out from Chicago to accommodate them. Better snuggle up on their warm side—What, not going, surely? You must come in to lunch and show us how tactful a tactician you can be!"

"Thanks, no," replied Hardy. "I ask you kindly to excuse me to Miss Dupont. The commissioners may find me at the office at any time that suits them."

Vandervyn shrugged and went indoors, his smile a trifle forced. He at once joined his party in their eager acceptance of Dupont's most cordial expression of hospitality, his eight-year-old whisky. Marie had excused herself to the guests. By the time she reappeared every member of the party was aglow with good feeling. The girl at once became the target for a shower of compliments, all in doubtful taste, and some decidedly too free and easy.

She looked to Vandervyn, and met only with an uneasy smile. Seeing that he would say nothing, she replied to the offenders with a wit and dignity that soon altered their bearing.

"Do you really think so? Of course it is not right—Yet where is the harm? These men have been enterprising enough to seize the opportunity, and they deserve the chances of good fortune."

"The transaction has rather too much the appearance of a prearranged scheme," replied Hardy. His thoughtful face darkened with the shadow of anxiety. "If I could be sure that it would bring only good fortune to you."

The profound tenderness and concern in his voice seemed to startle Marie. She leaned forward, and put

her pony into a gallop.

The day before, immediately upon receipt of the official statement from Washington, Hardy had sent a messenger to notify Ti-own-kouza. Two days later the head chief came with all his large family, including Oinna. Marie insisted that the girl should come to stay with her until the return of Redbear, and immediately fitted out the girl with good dresses from her own wardrobe. When Hardy spoke of her generosity, she smiled and shrug.

"It is little enough to do for any one, captain. I was tired of those old gowns. Anyway, as a quarterbred, I owe it to my own self-respect to keep a half-bred girl from going around like a full-blood woman."

"Her brother will be greatly pleased."

"I had no thought of him. He is rather a worthless fellow. It is strange to me how proud Oinna is of him. She says nothing, but one can see that she is in a fever of joyous excitement over the prospect of his return."

At this the party lingered only for a parting nip at Dupont's liquid hospitality. Assuring Marie that they would return in time for dinner, they left under the escort of their host.

With the excuse that he had mislaid his hat, Vandervyn returned to the dining room. When he came out, he shut the door. Marie was alone in the parlor. All the suppressed fire of his passion flamed in his face, as he turned and came swiftly back to the waiting girl. There could be no doubt that he expected her to meet him half-way.

She stood beside a chair, waiting

for the approach of the party while it was yet many miles away over the plains. Even so—that Hardy and Marie and Dupont were not quite ready to greet the visitors when they came into view down the valley. The explanation of this quick trip from the railroad at once became evident. Commissioners, Indian delegates and all were stowed in two long tour cars.

Vandervyn was driving the foremost car. He brought it up the slope of the agency terrace with a rush, and spun it around in a curve that ended before the porch of the Dupont house. The second car rolled straight on across the terrace to the top of Ti-own-kouza.

Hardy, who was about to start across to the office, paused in the porch to welcome the commissioners. Dupont hurried out of the rear door of his store. Marie, after a slight bow in acknowledgment of Vandervyn's respectful salute, quietly drew back into her parlor.

In the front seat beside Vandervyn was a big, red-faced man, whose beared eyes immediately began to scrutinize Hardy, and as quickly turned away when they met his gaze.

The five men in the tonneau all had the look of a certain kind of politician, and all met Hardy's cordial greeting with a cordial formality that would have chilled even a place-burdened.

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"You sure can count me in on that, Mr. Van," eagerly assented Dupont.

"All right. I've got him fixed. But I wanted to make sure of your backing."

"If he comes to dinner tonight I'll have a gay little surprise or two up my sleeve for him."

"I been waiting to ask you about the meal. How're we going to work the deal?"

"We've got to make a show of a real contest. It's to be run on the old-style rush plan."

"Suppose one of them there men at the butte has the best horse?"

Vandervyn thrust out his jaw. "Don't fash yourself. I'm going to have that mine. This is my idea of the way we'll fix it." He leaned over and murmured in Dupont's ear.

The trader shook his head. "Um-m! I'm not saying that mightn't work. Just the same, though, it'd make you the only one what could do the entering. I'd be a sooner."

"The mine would be entered by me, but of course we would have the understanding that you were to get your half," replied Vandervyn. He stepped briskly to the door. "Come, I guess the bunches had time enough to cool their heels."

Still frowning dubiously, Dupont followed him over to the office, where Hardy and the commissioners sat waiting for them, stiff and constrained.

The trading post was a small affair, with a single room containing a counter, a small office, and a back room.

The office was a small room with a desk and a chair, and a window looking out on the street.

The door was open, and a man in a suit and hat was standing in the doorway.

"What sort of conspiracy do you think that Vandervyn and these crooked commissioners have formed against Captain Hardy? When the Indians will they have been tricked will they shed white blood?"

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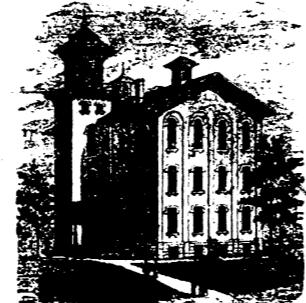
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SCHOOL NOTES

In building of character, employ the masons before you do the decorators.

Mrs. George Graham and daughter Esther visited the first primary on Monday.

Evan Easery, county commissioner of schools, was a pleasant visitor of the school Tuesday.

The first semester closes Jan. 26. Final tests will be given Thursday and Friday of next week.

Miss Dwyer was called to Toledo Monday on account of the death of her aunt, who was buried Tuesday.

Teachers' meeting was held Wednesday after school. "The relation of the high school to the college" was discussed.

The Washawen county teachers' association will hold its institute at Ypsilanti, Feb. 9th. Supt. Tape of Milan is president of the association and iss Marie Kirchhofer of Manchester, secretary and treasurer.

The seventh grade in geography chose sides last week with Blanche Yocom and Walter Schaeble as leaders. There were 10 on a side and when the afternoon for the contest came one member proved to be a deserter and did not face the opposing side. Consequently Walter's side came out ahead.

The next regular meeting of the Alpha Sigma will be held Monday evening, Jan. 22. The following program will be given:

Recitation . . . Edith Furgason Biography . . . Hazel Haselschwerdt Essay . . . Waldo Marx

Discussion—"Resolved: That the adoption of the honor system in examinations in high schools would be desirable."

Recitation . . . Alice Jenkins, Ruby Clark

Recitation . . . Lila Kern

Reading . . . Florence Burke

Chip basket . . . Cyril Cash

Simultaneous Quartet . . . Hazel Burch

Laura Scheid, Lester Wagoner, Orin Haselschwerdt.

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The Ladies' Aid Society met at the home of Mrs. L. W. Harris last Friday. Refreshments were served and a pleasant time was had by all. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. Lillian Beckwith; Vice-President, Mrs. Rhona Harris;