

HARTFORD
WINTER Week of Feb. 3
"Honor Among Thieves"
 Cooney & Lahaie—Dredan & Derrick—Brennan & Kahlitz—Gyger Queen—Hugo Lutgens—Cliff Bailey
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63rd Annual Statement of the
ETNA LIFE INSURANCE COMPANY
 HARTFORD, CONN.
MORGAN B. BULKLEY, President
LIFE, ACCIDENT, HEALTH AND LIABILITY INSURANCE
 JANUARY 1, 1912

ASSETS		LIABILITIES	
Real estate owned by shareholders	\$1,000,000.00	Reserve on Life Endowment and term policies	\$64,942,600.00
Office buildings	3,000,000.00	Additional reserve, not included above	70,100,000.00
Cash on hand and in banks	4,407,000.00	Unpaid interest on policies	238,011.00
Stocks and bonds	2,548,900.00	Unpaid interest on policy loans	238,011.00
Investments in real estate	1,000,000.00	Accrued taxes	238,011.00
Loans on collateral	1,000,000.00	Reserve for special class	3,823,576.00
Loans secured by policies of this Co.	2,500,000.00	Reserve for special class	3,823,576.00
Interest due and accrued Dec. 31, 1911	2,300,000.00	Reserve for special class	3,823,576.00
Premiums in course of collection	1,000,000.00	Reserve for special class	3,823,576.00
and deferred premiums	1,000,000.00	Reserve for special class	3,823,576.00
Market value of securities over cost, less assets not admitted	11,000,000.00	Reserve for special class	3,823,576.00
Total Assets	\$10,523,776.30	Total Liabilities	\$10,523,776.30

INCOME		DISBURSEMENTS	
Premiums	\$11,100,000.00	Payments to policy holders	\$12,022,421.20
Interest, rentals, etc.	5,700,000.00	Taxes	90,000.00
Total Income	\$16,800,000.00	All other disbursements	2,500,000.00
Total Income in 1912	\$23,950,350.47	Total Disbursements in 1912	\$14,612,421.20

GAINS DURING 1912

Increase in premium income	\$ 978,814.67
Increase in total income	1,955,663.04
Increase in assets	5,768,240.08
Increase in life insurance in force	16,321,721.84
New life insurance issued in 1912	\$ 53,204,479.84
Life insurance in force Jan. 1, 1912	334,926,352.91
Paid policy holders since organization in 1890	233,131,650.21

Life Business—C. E. Shepard, General Agent
 Accident and Health Business—Arthur G. Hinkley, Manager for Conn.
 Liability Business—Robert C. Knox, Gen. Agent, 95 Pearl St. Hartford
THOS. D. FAULKNER, Agent So. Manchester

RAVO LANTERNS
Don't Blow Out in the Wind
 They are built for rugged use. Built strong and durable. Built so that they won't blow out; so that they won't leak and won't smoke.
 When you buy a RAVO, you buy a well-made lantern—the best that experts can produce.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW YORK
 At Dealers Everywhere

Magee Ranges and Heaters
 When you choose a range for your kitchen or a heater for the parlor or sitting room, choose wisely and well. Make the Magee your choice in either case and your satisfaction will be complete.
 Hundreds of Magees are doing service around town and they are all working satisfactorily. Come in and let us explain some of the features of these famous stoves.

T. M. Trotter
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RECORD OF YEAR AS SHOWN BY BOOKS AT HALL OF RECORDS
 Remarkable Decrease in Number of Deaths in 1912 as Compared With 1911. Marriages and Births Show Increases During Past Year.

The vital statistics of the Town of Hartford for the year 1912, as compiled from the records in Town Clerk Sanford M. Benson's office show the following: (It is the 201st in town and 20th of town, both of parents now residing here.) Of those 11,000 boys and 10,000 girls, there were two more born in town during the year. There were 150 marriages as during the year and 40 were married out of town but 100 were married in town. The number of marriages seemed to be the favorite activity for getting married as 24 couples were getting married in that month. July showed the highest number of marriages being 10. The young bride and groom were married in the year 10 years old and the youngest groom 18 years old. It was the first marriage of both bride and groom in 180 cases, the first of the groom and the second of the bride in 10 cases; the first of the bride and the second of the groom in 8 cases; the second of both bride and groom in 5 cases. The following marriages were officiated: Rev. Dr. Geo. W. Reynolds, Rev. M. B. Bennett, 16; B. V. Sherman, 19; Rev. W. F. J. McGuckin, 19; Rev. P. C. O'Connell, 19; Rev. C. Beckmann, 19; Rev. F. E. Soudberg, 19; Rev. Charles M. Calderwood, 19; Rev. C. G. Mosier, 19; Rev. F. J. Murphy, 19; Rev. William F. Taylor, 19; Rev. James J. Reilly, 19; Rev. J. Bidle, 19; Major Stinson of the Salvation Army, 1; Justice of the Peace Robert E. Carney, 1; Justice of the Peace John M. Sherrill, 1. The number of deaths was 179—40 of the children of town. This is a decrease of 99 over the preceding year. There were 20 deaths in January, 18 in February, 15 in March, 14 in April, 20 in May, 3 in June, 19 in July, 15 in August, 14 in September, 13 in October, 16 in November and 14 in December. Of the total number 46 were under ten years old, 1 under twenty years old, 10 under thirty years old, 17 under 40 years old, 14 under 50 years old, 18 under 60 years old, 29 under 70 years old, 20 under eighty years old and 10 under ninety years old. Miss Harriett Brown was the oldest person who died last year in this town, her age being 91 years. The total number of births recorded for Manchester in 1911 was 211. A total of 10 was made during the past year.

There were 28 more marriages in 1912 than in 1911. The total number of deaths recorded for the town of Manchester in the year 1911 was 277 as against 178 during the past year. The town is to be congratulated upon this reduction in the death list in a single year thus demonstrating that Manchester is becoming considerable of a health resort.

Holy Name Society
 St. James Branch of the Holy Name Society enjoyed a social session at Forester Hall Wednesday evening. President Harry M. Burke was in charge of the proceedings. Rev. W. J. McGuckin of St. James church, Rev. M. J. Sullivan of Hartford and Rev. J. J. Healy of St. James church were the speakers. Vocal selections were rendered by Thomas O'Leary, John F. Campbell and Edward F. Taylor, and Edward McCarthy recited "Kilgyle's Dream." At the close of the formal exercises chorist singing and general jollification ensued. There were about 100 members present and the event was an enjoyable one.

Card of Thanks
 We desire to hereby give public expression to our deep sense of appreciation for the many acts of kindness, sympathy and condoleance of kind neighbors and good friends during the fatal illness, death and burial of our darling daughter, Miss May. We are under special obligations to those who contributed the beautiful flowers. Robert and Mrs. Douglas, Gardner street, South Manchester, January 29, 1912.

Card of Thanks
 We wish to express our thanks to our relatives, friends and neighbors for the flowers, kindness and sympathy they have shown us in the death of our little daughter.
 Patrick and Mrs. Lister, 17 Wells St., South Manchester, January 29, 1912.

A Good Suggestion
 Keep your bookshelves, insurance policies and other valuables in a fire-proof safe. Guaranteed to protect. It will save you. See terms. Faulkner, Bank Bldg.—Adv.

Wanted
 Every man desires an attractive woman—one with a beautiful complexion, but there is many a man who does not know the secret of securing it. It is the power of a woman's secret for beautifying the complexion and giving the skin a soft, glowing appearance. Write for a free copy of the "Secret of a Beautiful Complexion" to the author, Mrs. J. M. Trotter, 219 Main St., South Manchester, Conn.

SONS OF TEMPERANCE
 Anniversary At Cheney Hall
 The Twenty-seventh anniversary of the Sons of Temperance will be observed at Cheney Hall Friday evening, February 7th. A substantial dinner will be served. The division is pleased to make it an object for Jim to accept a position here.

A Man's Fall Bonnet Recipe
 The division has had many ups and downs during that period but it is sturdy, is in vigorous health, has about 100 active members now and looks brightly and cheerily into the future. It has done much good work in the way of helping many young people living and it is in a position to continue this good work with unabated vigor and energy.

DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA
 Observe Fifth Anniversary and Install Officers
 The local council Daughters of Isabella installed their newly elected officers last Monday afternoon at Forester Hall. Deputy Mrs. Mary Kelly of Man- chester, was the guest of honor.

Billy Foran At Polit.
 The many friends to this place of William Foran will be pleased to learn through the columns of The News that he is to appear at Poli Theater, Hartford at 8 o'clock on Monday evening.

Sorely Distressed
 Robert Downey and family of Gardner street are sorely distressed, having to contend with scarlet fever, diphtheria and death. All day, their 15-year old daughter died of scarlet fever and their 10-year old son died of diphtheria Saturday night after a long illness of 10 days. The burial, which was private, took place Sunday with interment at the East cemetery.

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Increasing Speed of Propeller.
 An officer of the United States navy has been ordered to increase the speed of a propeller in a high speed vessel's propeller in a matter of ten per cent by placing ribs in the space of the blades to decrease the partial vacuum that always occurs there.

BASE BALL
 Jim Moran Talked of as Captain Manager, Coach and Player.
 It is understood that Jim Moran of the Catholic University, at Wash. D. C. is being spoken of as captain, manager, coach and third baseman for the local base-ball team during the coming season. He will be graduated from the university next June and therefor will be at liberty to take up the game of base ball as a profession.

THEATRE
 The bill at Fells theater next week will consist of two new comedies, "The House of the Living Dead" and "The House of the Living Dead." The feature attraction is one of Joe Hart's sons. Honor Among Thieves, an incident that shows that even among criminals there is a sense of honor and justice that is genuine and sincere. This offering has had a run of one of the biggest vaudeville bills in the country and everywhere it has been received as one of the best acts that Mr. Hart has ever produced and will be remembered by Poli patrons that this producer has secured a high class enterprising force in Hartford. Cooney and Le Mater who are always favorites at Poli will offer their best acts that have not previously been seen at this theater. The talk is now about the efforts of one of the team to sell the other an increase policy and the manner in which the policy is sold. It is a laughing bill from start to finish, the lines being bright and witty, the ideal novel and the offering amusing. Brands and Durkin who were formerly stars of the New York Hippodrome will offer a laughing bill from start to finish, the lines being bright and witty, the ideal novel and the offering amusing.

Board of Relief
 The board of relief will be in session the afternoon until five o'clock to hear the complaints of approved taxpayers. They will also be in session next Monday, February 10 from 10 a. m. to 4 p. m. and on Thursday, February 13 from 4 o'clock to 8 o'clock.

Sixth Annual Automobile Exhibit to Be Held Next Month
 Hartford's sixth annual automobile exhibit will be held at the State Armory under the auspices of the First Infantry, C. N. G., February 12 to 15. The demand for floor space is without precedent and the 40,000 square feet of exhibition space will be utilized, wholly for show purposes.

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 THREE CENTS

Hales Friday Night Sale
 7 to 9 o'clock tonight
NINE ELECTRIC PORTABLES
 Worth From \$5.00 to \$9.00
 Taken out of our regular line and offered to you, TONIGHT (FRIDAY) at SEVEN for \$3.98
 We will not reserve any of these lamps for anyone. They will be sold to the first nine buyers when the basement door is open at seven o'clock.

1,000 Yds. Remnants Half Price
 Tonight From 7 to 9 o'clock
 We will offer for two hours only our entire accumulation of remnants of
 Gingham, Prints, Galateas, Wash Goods, Percales, Linens, Drapery Goods.

The J. W. Hale Company
 Manchester's Home of Dry Goods
 Free Auto Delivery

Reduced Prices on Working Gloves and Mittens
 See Them In The South Window
Geo. W. Smith

BIG \$10 SALE
 Exceptional Values in High Grade Clothes
 For the next few days we are closing out all our old suits and overcoats left over from our regular sale at a price less than the original cost of manufacture.
 These are all high class goods a few sizes of each pattern and formerly sold as high as \$22 but in order not to have any broken sizes on hand we have made one price \$10 on all.

Come In and Look Them Over
CROW BLACK SUITS
 In conjunction with this sale we will also conduct our annual sale of CROW BLACK All Wool Cheviot Suits; regular \$15 values at the sale price, \$10.00

C. E. HOUSE & SON INC.
 The Big Store With The Little Prices

W. C. T. U.
 The local W. C. T. U. will observe Frances Willard Memorial Day at the meeting to be held in the parlors of the South M. E. church next Tuesday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

FIRE LAST NIGHT
 At Park Theater—Does Slight Damage
 A slight fire back of the scenes at Park Theater last evening scorched the community and filled the streets with persons rushing to the scene. The fire was extinguished with chemical hand fire extinguishers before much damage was done.

SIDEWALKS AT TOWN EXPENSE
 The much talked of special town meeting to act on the report of a Charles W. H. Benson regarding the sidewalks will be held in the evening at 7 o'clock on Monday, February 11th, at the town hall close to the hour of midnight. The meeting was attended by over a hundred voters many of whom are not in the habit of attending town meetings.

Local Board of Health To Be Established—Organization of Selectmen—Official Primary Ball—Recount Provision—Storm Water Sewers—Shorter Ballot

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RUBINOW
 SPECIALTY SHOP
 Ladies
Coat Bargains
 Heavy chinchilla coats in the season's best styles. Original values \$20 now
\$9.24
 Zibeline coats for ladies, original values \$14.98 now only
\$4.98

Johnson Block Cor. Main & Bissell Sts.
LADIES AND MISSES COATS
 Ladies Coats were \$9.98 now \$6.98
 Misses Chinchilla Coats were \$7.98 now \$4.98
 Children's \$2 and \$2.50 Coats now \$1.79

For Men, Women and Children
 Men's \$2.50 Sweaters \$1.98
 Men's \$3.98 Sweaters \$2.98
 Ladies \$3.98 Sweaters \$2.29
 Children's 50c Sweaters 39c
 Children's \$1.25 Sweaters 98c
 Children's \$1.48 Sweaters \$1.19

Magee Ranges and Heaters
 When you choose a range for your kitchen or a heater for the parlor or sitting room, choose wisely and well. Make the Magee your choice in either case and your satisfaction will be complete.

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MR. CADWELL
Fate of Governor's Appointment in Balance.
ASSEMBLY MOVES SLOWLY.

Flood of New Business Not Coming in During Final Week. Disagreements Between House and Senate Are Frequent—Both Nominating County Commissioners.

Hartford, Feb. 5.—Not until next Monday will the fate of Governor MacDonald's appointment of William H. Cadwell as New Britain, to succeed State Highway Commissioner James H. MacDonald in that office, be known for the senate—after deciding if a Democratic caucus last week, Tuesday, to have the matter up and settle it yesterday and practically forcing Senator Landers, chairman of the committee on executive nominations, who delayed delay, to consent to a report of his committee on the matter this morning the threat of a minority report from Senator McCarthy of Ansonia, who, with Landers and Senator Label of New Haven, comprise the committee, called to consider the nomination at all during the long executive session of the general assembly yesterday.

The particular purpose of yesterday's executive session was to go into the possibility of this committee to hold hearings, subpoena witnesses and take sworn testimony, including that of Mr. Cadwell himself. The status quo, however, held, and the committee had, as usual, Mr. Cadwell rather informally, and unannounced to certain acts of his which were reported in New Britain and other places which are being investigated by the committee. Mr. Cadwell had insisted that if formal hearings were held he would give a transcript of all the testimony and his testimony be used to his injury through publicity.

Republicans Favor Delay.
During the executive session this morning the matter was thoroughly discussed and the whole subject rather well opened up, and it was finally decided that the hearings of the committee be considered as executive session and therefore be held in private and nothing be given out regarding the testimony taken.

The question of furnishing Cadwell with a copy of the committee's minutes was taken up, and it was finally decided that it would be proper to give him a transcript of his own testimony, if possible, correction, but that he should not have anything else. The committee's work will be done between now and next Tuesday, when an executive session will settle the question. Senator Perry will have returned from his West Coast trip at that time, and with the titular minority leader in his seat different plans may be decided on. Senator Label is playing a dual role now in that he is taking the place of minority leader for the time being as well as fighting the Cadwell nomination in the committee. Under the minutes the senate must consider any nomination within ten legislative days from the time the governor sends it in, and this will not make it possible to have a vote be taken, or at least, the matter be taken up in executive session until next week after next, even if there is a Friday session this week, and after it is taken up the law will be lived up to by the simple expedient of postponing and extending the session day for as long a time as seems desirable.

Governor Attacks MacDonald.
Reassure the action of Governor MacDonald in last week filing charges of incompetence and neglect against Commissioner MacDonald with Attorney General Light, thus recognizing MacDonald as the de jure officer as well as establishing him as the de facto officer by leading in the Cadwell nomination, is occupying the center of the stage. The attorney general has refused to the governor an officer that MacDonald is not the de jure officer, however, and that any nominee of the governor who is acceptable to the senate is at liberty to take office under the law.

Various expedients have been suggested by way of compromise. If the Republicans would agree to the Democrats appointing one commissioner in each county the measure providing for the popular election of county commissioners would die in committee, and it has been suggested that the Democrats have four of the men to be appointed and the Republicans four; also that the Democrats have the appointment in counties where they are in the majority in the county legislative delegations.

New Over Mission.
Up to this week the new business has been noticeable by its absence, but a perfect flood of legislation is being introduced now. There is really no reason to believe that much legislation can be enacted and the session adjourned on June 1, but it is not yet clear, especially as it has not got down to business yet and some of the committee reports are still pending.

Another of Mahan's pet measures of last session, that providing for summer licenses for resort hotels in no less than ten towns and intended mainly to meet the great summer hotel of Moriah K. Plant at Rye Brook Point, near New London, is attacked in a repeal resolution, and this is the subject of a disagreeing action between the houses. The house, where this originated, referred it to the committee on excise, but the senate sent it to the judiciary on the ground that this committee originated the legislation in 1911.

WARRANTS STORE CLEARANCE SALE

NOTHING RESERVED PRICES CUT TO ROCK BOTTOM
Your best opportunity in this great sale comes tomorrow. Hundreds and hundreds of brand new winter suits and overcoats just received from our factory are included at prices that take no account of cost. All our own regular stock has been marked down to secure immediate clearance. We want our customers to take advantage of this sale. Come and save money. Don't delay a day.

EVERY WINTER SUIT AND OVERCOAT MUST BE SOLD AT ONCE

- Men's Suits That Sold up to \$10.....\$3.75
\$12 Value Men's Suits.....\$4.85
Blue Serge Suits.....\$7.35
\$15 and \$18 Suits.....\$9.85
Finest Suits at.....\$14.85
\$10 Overcoats.....\$4.85
\$12 Overcoats.....\$7.35
\$15 Overcoats.....\$9.85
\$18 Overcoats.....\$11.85
\$20 Overcoats.....\$14.85

Three New York City Stores
Open Saturday
Night Until 11 P. M.
33-35 ASYLUM STREET HARTFORD

AETNA LIFE'S PROGRESS

Big Insurance Company Has Assets of \$110,523,775.30
Stagnation indeed are the figures contained in the sixty-third annual statement of the Aetna Life Insurance Company—the total assets having reached the magnificent sum of \$110,523,775.30. The statement reflects the healthy and steady growth made every year by the company since its organization in 1812. It is a tribute to his very able management and that of his associates in the directorate of the company.

Railroads Are Willing

A strike is threatened by the firemen on all the eastern railroads. The strike vote being taken among the 80,000 men affected, will undoubtedly result in a vote pledging the men to walk out if their demands are not granted by the railroads. Such a strike would seriously interfere with, if not a really interrupt, the operation of all the railroads in eight states containing more than one-half of the population of the United States. It is important that the public know what is likely to take place. The strike vote follows a ratification conference between railroad managers and representatives of the men. The latter, in their "A True Statement" of these conferences, which has been circulated among the men in connection with a blank strike ballot, say: "Evidence that the responsibility for a strike to arbitrate all matters is completely in the hands of the railroads is shown all along the line from the tariff for process in insurance underwriting. The policies of the Aetna Life are much sought after by those in quest of insurance because they are liberal and broad and highly satisfactory to the subscriber.

Charles and Aida Latham at Poli Theater, Hartford, Next Week



BOUGHT BY WISE, SMITH & CO. ENTIRE STOCK Women's Suits, Coats, Furs, Dresses

On Sale Commencing Tomorrow Morning! At HALF PRICE and LESS

BLOCH'S, INCORPORATED, 1046 MAIN STREET, HARTFORD --- was a store devoted to the exclusive sale of Tailored Suits, Dresses, Coats and Furs --- Catering to the medium and better trade --- were in business less than two years, had an excellent reputation but were forced to sell because of insufficient volume of business --- We realized an opportunity of procuring a desirable stock of strictly dependable wearing apparel at much under cost and value, so we bought and now offer you most wonderful bargains in ready-to-wear garments. All marked in plain figures showing Bloch's prices and our prices which are half and less what the garments are worth --- come --- you'll find bargains even more wonderful than you expected.

Buy Now for PRESENT Needs---Buy Now for FUTURE Needs! EVERY PRICE A CHALLENGE PRICE

Bloch's Ladies Ready to Wear Shop. BLOCH'S TAILOR MADE SUITS. ON SALE THIS WAY. BLOCH'S \$15 SUITS FOR \$7.50, BLOCH'S \$22.50 SUITS FOR \$10.00, BLOCH'S \$25 SUITS FOR \$12.00, BLOCH'S \$32 SUITS FOR \$15.00, BLOCH'S \$45 SUITS FOR \$22.50, BLOCH'S \$65 SUITS FOR \$30.00, BLOCH'S \$30 CORDUROY SUITS FOR \$13.00

Bloch's Ladies Ready to Wear Shop. BLOCH'S LINGERIE AND WASH DRESSES. ON SALE THIS WAY. BLOCH'S \$1.25 DRESSES FOR 50c, BLOCH'S \$2.00 DRESSES FOR \$1.00, BLOCH'S \$4.00 DRESSES FOR \$2.00, BLOCH'S \$5.98 DRESSES FOR \$3.00, BLOCH'S \$10 DRESSES FOR \$5.00, BLOCH'S \$15 DRESSES FOR \$7.50

Bloch's Ladies Ready to Wear Shop. BLOCH'S FUR COATS. ON SALE THIS WAY. BLOCH'S \$49.98 SABELINE COATS FOR \$25, BLOCH'S \$65 CARACUL COATS FOR \$35, BLOCH'S \$69 CARACUL COATS FOR \$38, BLOCH'S \$80 MARMOT COATS FOR \$40, BLOCH'S \$80 PONEY COATS FOR \$40, BLOCH'S \$95 PONEY COATS FOR \$44, BLOCH'S \$110 MAKNOT COATS FOR \$40, BLOCH'S \$100 REAL SEAL COATS FOR \$55, BLOCH'S \$125 FRENCH SEAL COATS FOR \$65, BLOCH'S \$150 FRENCH SEAL COATS FOR \$75, BLOCH'S \$100 BROOK MINK COATS FOR \$60, BLOCH'S \$120 BROOK MINK COATS FOR \$69, BLOCH'S \$125 PONEY COATS, trimmed with raccoon, for \$65, BLOCH'S \$125 NATURAL PONEY COATS FOR \$65, BLOCH'S \$125 PONEY COATS, trimmed with opossum, for \$68, BLOCH'S \$185 MOLE SKIN COATS FOR \$100, BLOCH'S \$300 HUDSON SEAL COATS FOR \$175

Bloch's Ladies Ready to Wear Shop. BLOCH'S CLOTH DRESSES. ON SALE THIS WAY. BLOCH'S \$7.98 DRESSES FOR \$4.50, BLOCH'S \$10.98 DRESSES FOR \$6.00, BLOCH'S \$15.98 DRESSES FOR \$8.50, BLOCH'S \$22.50 DRESSES FOR \$10.00, BLOCH'S \$27.50 DRESSES FOR \$12.50, BLOCH'S \$6.98 CORDUROY DRESSES FOR \$2.50

Bloch's Ladies Ready to Wear Shop. BLOCH'S WINTER WEIGHT COATS. ON SALE THIS WAY. BLOCH'S \$12.50 COATS FOR \$5.00, BLOCH'S \$16.98 COATS FOR \$8.50, BLOCH'S \$22.50 COATS FOR \$11.00, BLOCH'S \$25.00 COATS FOR \$12.50, BLOCH'S \$32.50 COATS FOR \$15.00

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said Wilfred, catching her hand impulsively. "I'll go upstairs and write it now. You finish these as soon as you can. You can ask those women for some scissors, and when they are ready leave them in this closet, but don't let anyone see you doing it, whatever happens."

"No, I won't," said Caroline, as Wilfred hurried off. She went over to the room where the women were sewing, and borrowed a pair of scissors; then she came back and started to cut off the trousers where they were marked. The cloth was old and worn, but it was, nevertheless, stiff and hard, and her scissors were dull.

"No," faltered the girl; "we don't assemble for a little while, and—"

"I mean for the party. It doesn't begin for half an hour yet, and—"

"Oh; then you have plenty of time."

"Yes," said Caroline. "But I will have to go now, sure enough." She turned away and, as she did so, her scissors fell clattering to the floor.

"You dropped your scissors, my dear," said Mrs. Varney.

"I thought I heard something fall," she faltered in growing confusion. She came back for her scissors, and, in her agitation and nervousness, she dropped one of the pieces of trouser leg on the floor.

"What are you making, Caroline?" asked Mrs. Varney, looking curiously at the little huddled-up soiled piece of gray on the carpet, while Caroline made a desperate grab at it.

"Oh, just altering an old dress, Mrs. Varney. That's all."

Mrs. Varney looked at her through her glasses. As she did so, Caroline's agitated movement caused the other trouser leg, with its half-covered end hanging from it, to dangle over her arm.

"And what is that?" asked Mrs. Varney.

"Oh—that's—er—one of the sleeves," answered Caroline desperately, hurrying out in great confusion.

Mrs. Varney laughed softly to herself. As she did so, her glance fell upon the little heap of gray on the table. She picked it up and opened it. It was a gray jacket, a soldier's jacket. It looked as if it might be about Wilfred's size. There was a bullet hole in the breast, and there was a dull brown stain around the opening. Mrs. Varney kissed the worn coat. She saw it all now.

"For Wilfred," she whispered. "He has probably got it from some dead soldier at the hospital, and Caroline's dress that she was altering—"

She clasped the jacket tightly to her breast, looked up, and smiled and prayed through her tears.

CHAPTER V.

The Unfaithful Servant. But Mrs. Varney was not allowed to indulge in either her bitter retrospect or her dread anticipations very long. Her reverie was interrupted by the subdued tramping of heavy feet upon the floor of the back porch. The long drawing room extended across the house, and had porches at front and back, to which access was had through long French windows. The sound was so sudden and so unexpected that she dropped the jacket on the couch and turned to the window. The sound of low, hushed voices came to her, and she saw a man in a dark suit, and a

hearing entered the room. He was not in uniform, but wore the customary full-skirted frock coat of the period, and carried his big black hat in his hand. For the rest, he was a very keen, sharp-eyed man, whose movements were quick and stealthy, and whose quick, comprehensive glance seemed to take in not only Mrs. Varney, but everything in the room. Through the windows and the far door soldiers could be seen dimly. Mrs. Varney was very indignant at the entrance of this newcomer in this unceremonious manner.

"Mr. Arrelstorf!" she exclaimed haughtily. "In two or three quick steps Mr. Benton Arrelstorf of the Confederate secret service was by her side. Although she was alone, through habit and excessive caution he lowered his voice when he spoke to her.

"Your pardon, Mrs. Varney," he said, with just a shade too much of the peremptory for perfect breeding. "I was compelled to enter without ceremony. You will understand when I tell you why."

"And those men—" said Mrs. Varney, pointing to the back windows and the far door. "What have we done that we should be—"

"They are on guard."

"On guard!" exclaimed the woman, greatly surprised and equally resentful. "Yes, ma'am; and I am very much afraid we shall be compelled to put you to a little inconvenience; temporary, I assure you, but necessary."

He glanced about cautiously and pointed to the door across the hall. "Is there anybody in that room, Mrs. Varney?"

"Yes, a number of ladies sewing for the hospital; they expect to stay all night."

"Very good," said Arrelstorf. "Will you kindly come a little farther away? I would not have them overhear by any possibility."

There was no possibility of anyone overhearing their conversation, but if Mr. Arrelstorf ever erred it was not through lack of caution. Still more astonished, Mrs. Varney followed him. They stopped by the fireplace.

"One of your servants has got himself into trouble, Mrs. Varney, and we're compelled to have him watched," he began.

"Watched by a squad of soldiers?" "It is well not to neglect any precaution, ma'am."

"And what kind of trouble, pray?" asked the woman.

"Very serious, I am sorry to say. At least that is the way it looks now. You've got an old white-haired butler here—"

"You mean Jonas?" "I believe that's his name," said Arrelstorf.

"And you suspect him of something?" "Mr. Arrelstorf lowered his voice still further and assumed an air of great importance.

"We don't merely suspect him; we know what he has done."

"And what has he done, sir?" "He has been down to Libby prison under pretense of selling things to the Yankees we've got in there, and he now has on his person a written communication from one of them which he intends to deliver to some Yankee spy or agent, here in Richmond."

Mrs. Varney gasped in astonishment at this tremendous charge, which was made in Arrelstorf's most impressive manner.

"I don't believe it," she said at last. "He has been in the family for years; he wouldn't dare."

Arrelstorf shook his head. "I am afraid it is true," he said.

"Very well," said Mrs. Varney decidedly, apparently not at all convinced. "I will send for the man. Let us see—"

She reached out her hand to the bell-rope hanging from the wall, but Mr. Arrelstorf caught her arm, evidently to her great repugnance.

"I beg your pardon, ma'am, but—"

Mrs. Varney waved her hand as if Mr. Arrelstorf's oaths, like his presence, were nothing to her.

"We were on the lookout for this man, and we spotted him pretty quickly. I gave orders not to search him, and not to have his clothes taken away from him, but to put him in with the others and keep the closest watch on him that was ever kept on a man."

"We knew from his coming in that his brother must be here in the city, and he'd send a message to him the first chance he got."

"But Jonas, how could he—"

"Easily enough. He comes down to the prison to sell things to the prisoners with other negroes. We let him pass in, watching him as we watch them all. He fools around a while, until he gets a chance to brush against this man Dumont. My men are keeping that fellow under close observation, and they saw a piece of paper pass between them. By my orders they gave no sign. We want to catch the man to whom he is to deliver the paper. He has the paper on him now."

"I will never believe it."

"It is true, and that is the reason for these men on the back porch that you see. I have put others at every window at the back of the house. He



Draw From an Inside Pocket a Folded Paper.

can't get away; he will have to give it up."

"And the man he gives it to will be the man you want?" said Mrs. Varney.

"Yes; but I can't wait long. If that zigger sees my men or hears a sound, he will destroy it before we can jump on him. I want the man, but I want the paper, too. Excuse me."

He stepped to the back window. "Corporal!" he said softly. The long porch window was open on account of the balmy air of the night, and a soldier, lathered and dusty, instantly appeared and saluted. "How are things now?" asked Arrelstorf.

"All quiet now, sir."

"Very good," said Arrelstorf. "I was afraid he would get away. We've got to get the paper. If we have the paper, perhaps we can get the man. It is the key to the game they are trying to play against us, and without it the man is helpless."

"No, no," urged Mrs. Varney. "The man he is going to give it to, get him."

"Yes, yes, of course," assented Arrelstorf; "but that paper might give us a clue. If not, I'll make the zigger tell. Damn him, I'll shoot it out of him. How quickly can you get at him from that door, corporal?"

"In no time at all, sir. It's through a hallway and across the dining room. He is in the pantry."

"Well," said Arrelstorf, "take two men, and—"

"Wait," said Mrs. Varney; "I still doubt your story, but I am glad to help. Why don't you keep your men out of sight and let me send for him here, and then—"

Arrelstorf thought a moment. "That may be the better plan," he admitted. "Get him in here and, while you are talking to him, they can seize him from behind. He won't be able to do a thing. Do you hear, corporal?"

"Yes, sir."

"Keep your men out of sight; get them back there in the hall, and while we're making him talk, send a man down each side and pin him. Hold him stiff. He mustn't destroy any paper he's got."

the window. Old Jonas entered the door just as they had placed themselves. He bowed low before Mrs. Varney, entirely unsuspecting of anything out of the ordinary until his eye fell on the tall form of Arrelstorf. He glanced furtively at the man for a moment, stiffened imperceptibly, but, as there was nothing else to do, came on.

"Jonas," said Mrs. Varney, her voice low and level in spite of her agitation. "Yes, ma'am."

"Have you any idea why I sent for you?"

"Ah, heard you was gwine send me to de hospice, ma'am."

"Oh, then Martha told you," said Mrs. Varney.

While the little dialogue was taking place, Mr. Arrelstorf had made a signal, and the corporal and two men had entered the room silently, and now swiftly advanced to the side of the still unobscured negro.

"She didn't exactly say what you—"

he began. The next instant the two men fell upon him. He might have made some struggle, although it would have been useless. The windows were instantly filled with men, and an order would have called them into the room. He was an old man, and the two soldiers that seized him were young. He was too surprised to fight, and stood as helpless as a lamb about to be slaughtered, his face fairly gray with sudden terror. The corporal flung open the butler's faded livery coat, and for the moment Jonas, menaced now by a

search, and knowing what the result would be, struggled furiously, but the men soon mastered him, and the corporal, continuing his search, presently drew from an inside pocket a small folded paper.

"Jonas, Jonas!" said Mrs. Varney, in bitter disappointment; "how could you?"

"I told you so," said Mr. Arrelstorf truthfully, triumphantly, and most aggravatingly under the circumstances, taking the folded paper. "Corporal," he added, "while I read this, see if he has got anything more."

A further search, however, revealed nothing. Arrelstorf had scarcely completed the reading of the brief note when the corporal reported:

"That is all he has, sir."

Arrelstorf nodded. The men had released Jonas, but stood by his side, and the secret service agent now approached him.

"Who was this for?" he asked sharply and tensely.

The negro stared at him stolidly and silently, his face ashen with fright. "Look here," continued the other, "if you don't tell me it is going to make it pretty bad for you."

The words apparently made no further impression upon the servant. Arrelstorf tried another tack. He turned to Mrs. Varney, who was completely dismayed at this breach of trust by one who had been attached to the family fortunes for so many years.

"I am right sorry, ma'am," he said very distinctly, "but it looks like we have got to shoot him."

"Oh!" cried Mrs. Varney at that. "Jonas, speak!"

But even to that appeal he remained silent. Arrelstorf waited a moment and then:

"Corporal," he said; "take him outside and get it out of him. String him up until he talks. But don't let him yell or give any alarm; gag him until he's ready to tell. You understand?"

The corporal nodded and turned toward the hall door.

"Not that way," said Arrelstorf; "take him to the back of the house and keep him quiet, whatever you do. Nobody must know about this, not a soul."

"Very good, sir," said the corporal, saluting. He gave an order to the men, and they marched Jonas off, swiftly and silently. Nothing that had been said or done had disturbed the women across the hall. Mrs. Varney glanced up at the unfolded piece of paper in Mr. Arrelstorf's hand. He was smiling triumphantly.

"But I can see something."

"What? Where?" "In the words, 'Use telegraph.' We know every man on the telegraph service, and every one of them is true. There is some one who will try to get into that service if the game is carried out, said—"

"Then he will be the man," said Mrs. Varney.

"Yes; they aren't so many men in Richmond that can do that. It isn't every man that's expert enough—Mrs. Varney, Jonas brought this paper to your house, and—"

"To my house?" exclaimed the woman in great astonishment, and then she stopped, appalled by a sudden thought which came to her.

"At the same time," said Arrelstorf, "your daughter has been trying to get an appointment for some one on the telegraph service. Perhaps she could give us some idea, and—"

Mrs. Varney rose and stood as if rooted to the spot.

"You mean—"

"Captain Thorne," said Arrelstorf impressively. (To Be Continued.)

IT'S BRAIN THAT WINS

AND HERE IS JUST A LITTLE ILLUSTRATION.

Thought That Made Clerk "Get Busy" Had the Result of Ultimately Making Him a Rich Man.

Five years ago a clerk who worked in the freight offices of a lake steamship company shouted angrily into a telephone as he tried to make the man at the other end of the wire understand what he was saying. At last, the agony over, he hung up the receiver.

"I'd rather write a letter about it than have to yell my head off," he grumbled. Then he stood still a moment, looking out at nothing in particular.

He was the checking clerk of the company. It was his duty to arrive at the docks early in the morning and check up the freight that had arrived during the night. And it had become a habit also with various commission men throughout the city to call up to learn what produce had arrived. It was to one of these he had just been talking—and it was over this that he was pondering. His sentence about the letter had given him an idea and he began work on it.

In the next few days he saw practically every commission merchant whose goods came in over the freight line and made contracts with them to send them a daily mimeograph letter that would tell exactly what produce had arrived by ship. For this he was to receive a dollar a week from each merchant. Then he started his letter.

In a week he had made arrangements with other clerks at steamship docks to furnish him lists of goods that had arrived—and thus he increased the number of commission men he served. Following that, he went to the railroad companies.

Now he has an office with three assistants. He furnishes the reports of arrivals of produce to every commission merchant in the city. And he long ago gave up his small salary as checking clerk.—New York World.

KEEP THE MEMORY AT WORK

Mind Should Not Be Allowed in Any Event, to Grow Rusty With Disuse.

Among the many attributes of the good housewife and mother is that of a reliable memory. In the order of the house alone this is an absolute necessity. As for the care of the children, the mother's memory is one of the best aids to discipline, and its reliability will save her much unnecessary worry.

The average "bad memory" is merely a memory abused and one in much need of attention. Our memories, a good deal like our characters, are what we make them. The so-called "good memory" is the memory that has been taught how to work, and that has not been permitted to shirk a single task assigned to it, and this kind of memory is, happily, within the reach of all.

The way to keep the memory in order is to see that it is constantly at work, says the Dundee Courier. Facts carefully digested are the food upon which a memory is fed and upon which it grows, and when facts are not properly digested the memory becomes inert and practically useless. One of the greatest teachers in psychology today has pointed out to us the folly of burdening a memory with useless facts, but if you have happened to come upon his book from the statement is drawn you should not "swallow it whole," but take it with this grain of common sense—if your memory is in need of repair discard no fact that ever presents itself to you for consideration. It is only the perfectly trained mind that can afford to do that.

Keep in mind the fact that you may need the very item you have permitted to slip away from you, and so ignore nothing. We have a careless habit of permitting names, or facts, or places, or engagements to slip away from us and then dismissing the occasion with a weary sigh and the thought—"Well, I couldn't remember it, anyway!" If your mind is ever in search of a name, or a thing, place, day, etc., stand still where you are and search for it at once. Force your memory to seek and bring it as you would command a dog to go and bring a stick to you. Obedience in both cases is a matter of five minutes.

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