

MONTE CRISPEN A TALE OF PHILADELPHIA

WRITTEN ESPECIALLY FOR THE EVENING LEDGER BY ARNOLD GARRY COLM

Copyright, 1916, The Evening Ledger Company.

SYNOPSIS An explosion has wrecked the West Mill, at Crispens, Pa. The most interesting incident in the case is the discovery of a cryptic cross, had been stolen from Hochmeister in the Market street subway.

CHAPTER IX—Continued

Why not? was the lawyer's answer. "When I was a District Attorney up-State we often found the best crooks quartered in rooming houses near police headquarters. The old story of the moth and the flame, you know."

the end of the omniscience of surprise if Agent W. had not reached over and deftly withdrawn the instrument from the door and folded it up. As he tucked it away in his pocket, he rapped sharply on the door.

"Ah, I have been expecting you," said the man in the room, as he turned the lock and flung back the door. "You were expecting us?" replied Monte astonished. He was even more amazed when the stranger took his hand and wrung it vigorously.

to me as Major Gustava Sigray, of Prague. You will find that he is a man of many aliases—Baron this, Doctor that, etc.—and numerous disguises. God only knows his true name. He is the reputed offspring of a royalmorganatic marriage. He represents this as you already know.

"Listen then," exclaimed Lumley, excitedly, with the exhilaration of a paranoiac. "He who moves the newspapers moves the Government. No, yes! Well, I am the 'Voice of the People'; I am a specialist in preparing letters for those who have axes to grind; and letters to be read by the editors of newspapers and periodicals. For five years in Paris and London I molded the molders of public opinion. I could make or break a Cabinet Minister; or down they went as I let fly my shafts of misdeeds at the editors."

CATHOLIC CHILDREN BLESSED IN ST. FRANCIS DE SALES' CHURCH



The Roman Catholic edifice at 47th and Springfield avenue was taxed to capacity when more than 800 children and their parents assembled there to receive a blessing from the Rev. Charles McIntyre.

METHODIST PASTORS' PROTESTS SUCCEEDED

Opposed Transfers With Support of Their Congregations

The Rev. Clarence J. Benjathin has won in his protest against his proposed transfer to Pottstown, approved by Bishop Berry, president of the Philadelphia Annual Conference of the Methodist Episcopal Church.

FIVE SERVANTS BENEFIT BY H. S. CATTELL'S WILL

Request Made in Recognition of Faithful Service Five servants benefit through the provisions of the will of Henry S. Cattell, 2212 E. Lancaster street, which disposes of property valued at \$139,000.

BIG DEMAND FOR FISH SENDS UP THE PRICE

Shad Selling at \$1.50 and \$2 and Other Kinds Share in the Advance in Cost An unusually heavy demand for the delectable shad—due to the recent season, together with the fact that "bad" weather has caused an unprecedented scarcity—is responsible for the present high prices of the fish.

800 BABIES BLESSED

Youngsters Presented at St. Francis de Sales Church More than 800 babies, averaging about two years old, were presented together yesterday at St. Francis de Sales Roman Catholic Church, 47th street and Springfield avenue, to be blessed by the Rev. Charles McIntyre.

Advertisement for Wilbur's Breakfast Cocoa, highlighting its quality and availability in 1/2-lb tins.

FARMER SMITH'S RAINBOW CLUB

How Toys Have Changed! Dear Children—We often hear a man say, "How things have changed! When I was a boy, etc."

FARMER SMITH'S GARDEN BOOK

Blue and Blew You remember that Mistress Mary promised to bring the very prettiest flower in her garden to the Man in the Moon, the next time she came to visit him and so she did.

FARMER SMITH, Children's Editor, EVENING LEDGER.

How Many Rainbows Do This? In New Jersey the clay is very red, and work on the street makes the mud accumulate very fast.

Our Postoffice Box

Of course we always knew that Billy Colucci was one of the nicest little boys on Ellsworth street, but we never knew that he was the cause of all the sweet music that we heard one night as we strolled in that particular neighborhood.

BILLY COLUCCI

Two new branch clubs in this morning's mail. One founded by Angela Devereux, Oxford street; the other by Jennie Celliuti, of West Berlin, N. J.

CAFES RAISE MENU PRICES

Extra Charge to Be Made for Bread and Butter—Jump in Cost of Living Prompts Step Hotel cafes and the big restaurants will enter the class of dining car service on April 1, and charge 10 cents for bread and butter per person.

Pastor Declines Roxborough Call

The Rev. Dr. James A. Maxwell, of Omaha, Neb., has declined a call to the pastorate of the Roxborough Baptist Church, tendered to him two weeks ago.

TODAY'S MARRIAGE LICENSES

Charles W. Bryman, 4855 Josephine st., and Gertrude V. Brough, 6623 N. 9th st., 114 Master st., and Theresa Pentz, 114 Master st.

Supreme Court Decisions

The Supreme Court today rendered the following decisions: BY JUSTICE STEWART: Alexander, Jr., vs. Queen et al., appellants, and Queen et al., appellees.

Domestic Rug "Pointers"

In our store this is a most important department. We select rugs with the nicest discrimination for the customers' needs and to give the best results in artistic furnishing.

MISS ESTHER MULFORD ILL

Diphtheria Puts Quarantine on Residence in Wayne The house of H. K. Mulford, on Pembroke avenue, Wayne, is under quarantine owing to the illness of his daughter, Esther, Miss Mulford, who is prominent in society in Philadelphia and on the Main Line, became ill with diphtheria last Wednesday.

More Pay for Munitions Workers

HIGHTSTOWN, N. J., March 27.—Another advance in wages, a rest period in the forenoon and a recreation hour in the afternoon, shower baths when the weather gets warm and other features have been promised employees of the Westinghouse Company at its big munitions plants near Hightstown and Runyon.

SPRING RESORTS

Advertisement for Hotel Dennis, Atlantic City, N. J., highlighting its location and amenities.

Advertisement for Robinson & Crawford, stating 'At All Our Stores Where Quality Counts, Low Prices Prevail'.

Advertisement for the Greatest Coffee Sale, offering various coffee blends at reduced prices.

Advertisement for Fresh Roasted Coffee at all stores, listing prices for different grades.

Advertisement for Gold Seal Eggs, 28c per carton, guaranteeing freshness.

Advertisement for 21st and Market Streets, listing various grocery items and prices.

Robinson & Crawford

New Ideas New Fashions

Advertisement for modern women's fashion, featuring a list of items and prices.

BOYS AND GIRLS. If you want to earn money after school and on Saturdays, write to Farmer Smith.

Things to Know and Do. 1. Draw a diagram of a flower box. 2. What does the word anonymous mean when signed to a piece of postage?

It's time to think about your Summer Rugs. Our stocks are now complete. Fritz & LaRue, Inc. 1124 Chestnut Street