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Sherlock Holmes Story

The Mystery of the Dancing Men

Concluded

"You're crazy!" he cried fiercely. "It was he that was hurt, not she. Who would have hurt little Elsie? I may have threatened her—God forgive me!—but I would not have touched a hair of her pretty head. Take it back—you! Say that she is not hurt!"

"She was found badly wounded by the side of her dead husband." He sank with a deep groan on to the settee and buried his face in his manacled hands. For five minutes he was silent. Then he raised his face once more and spoke with the cold composure of despair.

"I have nothing to hide from you, gentlemen," said he. "If I shot the man he had his shot at me, and there's no murder in that. But if you think I could have hurt that woman, then you don't know either me or her. I tell you, there was never a man in this world loved a woman more than I loved her. I had a right to her. She was pledged to me years ago. Who was this Englishman that he should come between us? I tell you that I had the first right to her and that I was only claiming my own."

"She broke away from your influence when she found the man that you are," said Holmes sternly. "She fled from America to avoid you, and she married an honorable gentleman in England. You dogged her and followed her and made her life a misery to her in order to induce her to abandon the husband whom she loved and respected in order to fly with you, whom she feared and hated. You have ended by bringing about the death of a noble man and driving his wife to suicide. That is your record in the business. Mr. Abe Slaney, and you will answer for it to the law."

"If Elsie dies I care nothing what becomes of me," said the American. He opened one of his hands and looked at a note crumpled up in his palm. "See here, mister," he cried, with a gleam of suspicion in his eyes, "you're not taying to scare me over this, are you? If the lady is hurt as bad as you say, who was it that wrote this note?" He tossed it forward on the table.

"I wrote it to bring you here." "You wrote it? There was no one on earth outside the joint who knew the secret of the dancing men. How came you to write it?"

"What one man can invent another can discover," said Holmes. "There is a cab coming to convey you to Norwich, Mr. Slaney. But meanwhile you have time to make some small reparation for the injury you have wrought. Are you aware that Mrs. Hilton Cubitt has herself lain under grave suspicion of the murder of her husband and that it was only my presence here and the knowledge which I happened to possess which has saved her from accusation? The least that you owe her is to make it clear to the whole world that she was in no way, directly or indirectly, responsible for his tragic end."

"I ask nothing better," said the American. "I guess the very best case I can make for myself is the absolute naked truth."

"It is my duty to warn you that it will be useless against you," cried the inspector, with the magnificent fair play of the British criminal law.

Slaney shrugged his shoulders. "I'll chance that," said he. "First of all, I want you gentlemen to understand that I have known this lady since she was a child. There were seven of us in a gang in Chicago, and Elsie's father was the boss of the joint. He was a clever man, was old Patrick. It was he who invented that writing, which would pass as a child's scrawl unless you just happened to have the key to it. Well, Elsie learned some of our ways, and she couldn't stand the business, and she had a bit of honest money of her own, so she gave us all the slip and got away to London. She had been engaged to me, and she would have married me, I believe, if I had taken over another profession, but she would have nothing to do with anything on the cross. It was only after her marriage to this Englishman that I was able to find out where she was. I wrote her, but got no answer. After that I came over, and as letters were no use, I put my messages where she could read them."

"Well, I have been here a month now, I lived on that farm, where I had a room down below, and could get in and out every night and no one the wiser. I tried all I could to coax Elsie away. I knew that she read the messages, for once she wrote an answer under one of them. Then my temper got the better of me, and I began to threaten her. She sent me a letter then, imploring me to go away, and saying that it would break her heart if any scandal should come upon her husband. She said that she would come down when her husband was asleep at 3 in the morning and speak with me through the end window, if I would go away afterward and leave her in peace. She came down and brought money with her, trying to bribe me to go. This made me mad,

and I caught her and tried to pull her through the window. At that moment in rushed the husband with his revolver in his hand. Elsie had sunk down upon the floor, and we were face to face. I was heeled also, and I held up my gun to scare him off and let me get away. He fired and missed me. I pulled off almost at the same instant, and down he dropped. I made away across the garden, and as I went I heard the window shut behind me. That's God's truth, gentlemen, every word of it; and I heard no more about it until that lad came riding up with a note which made me walk in here like a jay and give myself in your hands."

A cab had driven up while the American had been talking. Two uniformed policemen sat inside. Inspector Martin rose and touched his prisoner on the shoulder.

"It's time for us to go." "Can I see her first?" "No she is not conscious. Sherlock Holmes, I only hope that if ever again I have an important case I shall have the good fortune to have you by my side."

We stood at the window and watched the cab drive away. As I turned back my eye caught the pellet of paper which the prisoner had tossed upon the table. It was the note with which Holmes had deceived him.

"See if you can read it, Watson," said he, with a smile. It contained no word but a little line of dancing men.

"If you use the code which I have explained," said Holmes, "you will find that it simply means 'Come here at once.' I was convinced that it was an invitation which he would not refuse, since he could never imagine that it could come from any but the lady. And so, my dear Watson, we have ended by turning the dancing men to good when they have so often been the agents of evil, and I think that I have fulfilled my promise of giving you something unusual for your note book. Three-forty is our train, and I fancy we should be back in Baker street for dinner."

Only one word of epilogue. The American Abe Slaney, was condemned to death at the winter assizes at Norwich, but his penalty was changed to penal servitude in consideration of mitigating circumstances and the certainty that Hilton Cubitt had fired the first shot. Of Mrs. Hilton Cubitt I only know that I have heard she recovered entirely and that she still remains a widow, devoting her whole life to the care of the poor and to the administration of her husband's estate.

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Dr. Fuenter and wife visited with their son Richard and family in Ida county last Sunday.

Miss Jessie Griggs and Edith Wells were down to Ute last Saturday to take in the carnival.

Bob Miesner our City Marshall was kept at home a few days last week but is on duty again.

John Whorton our ex-liveryman and marshal who lives at Woolsey S. D. is visiting here for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Brodersen drove out to Correctionville Saturday to visit with Geo. Mahart and family for a few days.

Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Dettelsen from Denison are visiting relatives and friends in around Schleswig the fore part of this week.

Mrs. Peter Kroeger from Morgan township returned home last Tuesday after a three weeks' visit at Clinton, Lyons and Davenport.

Peter Nielson and wife and two of their children of Morgan township were visiting with H. Henrichsen and family southeast of Denison.

Schleswig is making great preparation to entertain her visitors on Market day. No one will regret having been here on the 21 and 22 of September.

Following are the names of those who went to Sioux City to attend the fair last Tuesday, Mr. and Mrs. Jurgen Schroeder, Master Herman Schroeder, Chas. Miller and Carl Lohse.

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No. 48, Way freight	10:15 p. m.
No. 12—Passenger	10:07 a. m.
No. 22, Carrol Local	6:52 p. m.

West Bound.

No. 21, Council Bluffs local	7:14 a. m.
No. 1	6:50 a. m.
No. 5	9:35 p. m.
No. 11	1:07 p. m.
No. 3	5:22 a. m.
No. 9, Fast mail	6:34 a. m.
No. 15, Fast mail	12:40 p. m.

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No. 48 Leave	6:05 a. m.
No. 42	1:00 p. m.
No. 41 Arrive	2:46 p. m.
No. 45	5:50 p. m.

Illinois Central R. R. Time Table

—East Bound—

No. 4 Omaha, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Chicago, Express, (Daily)	9:17 A. M.
No. 92 Co. Bluffs & Ft. Dodge Way Freight, (Daily except Sunday)	10:35 A. M.
No. 32 Co. Way Freight & Dodge Local, (Daily except Sunday)	5:52 P. M.
No. 2 Omaha, St. Paul, Minneapolis & Chicago Limited, (Daily)	9:38 P. M.

—West Bound—

No. 1 Chicago, St. Paul & Minneapolis Limited, (Daily)	6:18 A. M.
No. 31 Ft. Dodge & Co. Bluffs Local, (Daily except Sunday)	8:32 A. M.
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