

The Danvers Jewels

Is the title of a Thrilling Serial Story

Soon to be commenced in these columns.

It will be handsomely illustrated

I met Carr as we had arranged and he had a very pleasant evening. Poor Carr, who had seen the papers, had hardly expected that I should turn up, knowing the catastrophe of the previous night had taken place at the house I was going to, and was much relieved to hear that my sister had not been hurt. She was spared all the horror of the event. The dinner was good, the play better. I should have come home feeling that I had enjoyed myself thoroughly if it had not been for the little adventures with our cab driver that very nearly proved serious. We got a hansom directly we came out of the theatre, but instead of taking us to the direction we gave him, after we had driven for a distance he began to make out that the cabman was going wrong, and Carr shouted to him to stop; but thereupon he lashed up his horse and away he went like the wind, up one street and down another, till he had lost all idea where we were. Carr, who was young and active, did all he could, but the cabman, who I am afraid must have been intoxicated, took not the slightest notice, and continued driving madly, heedless of our shouts.

At last, after getting into a very dingy neighborhood, we turned up a crooked dark street, until by any lamp, a street so narrow that I thought every moment the cab would be overturned, and another moment I saw two men rush out of a doorway. One seized the horse, which was much blown by this time, and brought it violently to a standstill, while the other, by sending me a protesting invitation to come out, induced Sir George to get out of the cab. He then, who I had just seen, was also standing in the street, and he, too, was looking at me with a certain interest. He had a very peculiar look, and I was struck by the man who had held hold of him. I was suddenly caught by the legs from the other side of the cab. I turned on my assailant, saw a heavy stick leveled at me, caught it, missed it, beheld a series of fireworks and remembered nothing more.

The first thing I heard on beginning to come to myself was a series of subdued but evidently heartfelt sobs, and I became sensible of an airy feeling, pleasant in the extreme, proceeding from an open condition of coat and waistcoat, quite unaccustomed to the time of year. A low chorus of muffled whispering was going on around me. As I groaned involuntarily it stopped.

"He's coming to!" I heard Carr say. "Go and fetch some brandy." And I felt myself turned right side up, and my hands were rubbed, while Carr, as a voice of the greatest anxiety, asked me how I felt. I was soon able to sit up and to become aware that I had a squalling headache, and was staring at a glowing candle in a bottle. Having got so far I got a little farther, and on looking round found myself reclining on a sofa in a corner of a respectable-looking room, dingy with dirt and faithful to the memory of a better day.

Then I suddenly remembered what had occurred. Carr saw that I did so, and instantly poured forth an account of how we had been rescued from a condition of great peril by the man to whom the house we were in belonged, and who he hardly knew how to express his gratitude, and who was now gone for some brandy for me. He told me a great deal, but I was so dizzy that I forgot most of what he said, and he was not until our deliverer returned with the brandy that I became thoroughly aware of what was going forward.

I could not help thinking, as I thanked the honest fellow who had come to my assistance, how easily one may be deceived by appearances, for a more forbidding looking face under its fur cap I never saw. That of his son, who presently returned with a few whiskeys which Carr had sent for, was not more prepossessing. In fact they were two as villainous looking men as I had ever seen. After reconnoitering both with all our eyes we got our usual reward, and I, after the cab, and Carr good naturedly insisted on seeing me home, though he owned to feeling, as he put it, "rather knocked up by his knocking down."

"What?" I inquired.

"They are gone!" he said tremulously. "My sapphire. They are gone! Stealing! I had them in a bag round my neck, as you told me. They must have been taken from me when I was knocked down. I say," he added quickly, "how about yours? Have you got them all right?"

Involuntarily I raised my hand to my throat. A horrid quiver passed over me.

"Thank heaven!" I replied with a sigh of relief, "they are safe at home with Jane. What a mercy! I might have lost them."

"Right," said Carr. "You would have lost them to a dead certainty, and mine are gone!" And he stamped and clenched his fists and looked positively furious.

Poor Carr! I felt for him. He took the loss of his stones so to heart, and I am sure it was only natural. I parted from him at my own door, and was glad, on going in, to find Jane had stayed up for me. I soon found in her eyes as the heart of a true woman, and she, with her clever hands applied sticking plaster all about me. We were both so full of the events of the evening and the letter which I was to write to The Times about it the next day that I never entered the heads of either of us, on retiring to bed, to remove Sir John's jewels from the tatty oddity into which they had been temporarily popped in the afternoon.

CHAPTER IV.

"I am the black sheep of the family!" I really think adventures, like misadventures, never come singly. Would you believe it? Our house was broken into that very night. Nothing serious came of it, wonderful to relate, owing to Jane's extraordinary presence of mind. She had been unable to sleep after my thrilling account of the cab accident, and had consulted herself by reading Barter's "Saints' Rest" by her maid.

light, for the chimney became restless and liable to sudden bursts of smoke if a candle were lighted. While so engaged she became aware of a subdued grating sound, which had continued for some time before she began to speculate upon it. While she was speculating it ceased, and after a short interval she distinctly heard a stealthy step upon the stair, and the hands of the passage door before mentioned were gently, very gently, turned.

Jane has some of that quickness of perception which has been of such use to myself through life. In a moment she had grasped the situation. Some one was in the house. In another moment she was hanging out of her bedroom window, springing the policeman's rattle which she had had by her for years, and in a few moments she was in this kind, and at the same time—for she was a capable woman—blowing a piercing strain on a cabman's whistle.

To make a long story short, her extraordinary presence of mind was the saving of us. With her own eyes she saw two dark figures fly up our steps and disappear round the corner, and when a policeman appeared on the scene she pointed out the direction in which they had gone. She then, who I had just seen, was also standing in the street, and he, too, was looking at me with a certain interest. He had a very peculiar look, and I was struck by the man who had held hold of him. I was suddenly caught by the legs from the other side of the cab. I turned on my assailant, saw a heavy stick leveled at me, caught it, missed it, beheld a series of fireworks and remembered nothing more.

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