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ALEC TILTON'S FIND.

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Alexander Tilton, a young American of twenty-five with an inherited fortune estimated at from seven to twelve millions, after being graduated at college went abroad for travel. One day while walking alone in the fashionable residential portion of London he stopped to witness an auction of household furniture in one of the fashionable houses. During the sale he espied a lady's writing desk that struck his fancy, one of those spindle-shanked affairs that our great-grandmothers regarded very prettily, and which one prizes for their age. Tilton bid on the desk, and it was knocked down to him.

Among those who attended the sale was a young man who evidently took a great interest in the proceedings. Whenever a bookcase, a cabinet, a table-loued, anything with even a single drawer in it—was put up he examined it closely, and several articles of the kind he bid in. When Tilton bought the lady's desk this man was out of the room. When he found that it had been sold during his absence he went to the purchaser and offered him a fine profit. Tilton didn't like the man's looks and was suspicious of his reason for wanting the article, and when the would be purchaser offered him a bonus of £100 for his bargain he felt sure there was some special reason why the man wanted it. As money was no object to Tilton he would listen to no offer whatever. Indeed, fearing that he might be surreptitiously deprived of his purchase, he had the desk packed at once and superintended its removal to his hotel.

There he made a thorough examination of it. Every drawer was empty. He took a little hammer and tapped all over it to discover if there was any compartment that was not apparent. No sound indicated such a space. He pulled out every drawer and turned it upside down on the floor; then examined the wood against which the back of the drawers rested when shut. His next move was to uncrew the back of the desk and take it off. Out fell several papers yellow with age. All but one were love letters, and that was a certificate of marriage between Reginald Leighton and Eugenia Booth.

What had impelled Tilton to pursue this hunt he could not explain even to himself. Nor could he now explain what prompted him to start on another hunt in search of Reginald Leighton and Eugenia Booth. Inquiry told him that the house containing the desk had belonged to Sir Spafford Leighton, the father of Reginald Leighton, and that Reginald had died in America. Reginald's older brother, Sir Arthur Leighton, had recently died childless, and the title and estate had passed to Digby Moore, a distant connection of the Leighton family. This Digby Moore was the man who wished to possess the desk. Eugenia Booth had been lady's companion to Reginald and Arthur Leighton's mother. When Reginald went to America Eugenia had left the service of the Leighton family. Reginald being dead, Tilton's search was for his wife. But as it did not appear that she had ever passed under the name of Leighton he concluded to hunt for her as Eugenia Booth.

After a long investigation he found that fifteen years before she had gone to America. Tilton took the next steamer for home. One of the letters he found in the desk was from Reginald to Eugenia from a ranch in Idaho. Thither he went and discovered that Reginald Leighton had been dead fifteen years—that at the time of his death a woman appeared who claimed to be his wife, but, having no evidence to prove her marriage with him, her claims had not been admitted.

After spending much money on a staff of assistants he employed to investigate every woman by the name of Leighton living in America Tilton at last traced the widow to a western city. There he found her, broken in health, supported by a daughter, Beatrice, a teacher in the public schools.

They lived in a ramshackle cottage and in a narrow street. When Tilton went there he was admitted by Beatrice. He asked to see her mother and was admitted to a room where she sat in an easy chair propped up with pillows.

"Mrs. Leighton," he said, "twenty-two years ago you were secretly married to Reginald Leighton."

"It was," said the lady, wonder-stricken at this coming from a stranger.

"Where did you put the certificate of your marriage?"

"In Lady Leighton's desk. It was stolen from there by some of the family who were my enemies."

"You are mistaken. It slipped down behind the drawer. Here it is."

The expression on the woman's face as she looked upon the long lost document was indescribable. Then she turned from it to Tilton in a confused wonder. He told his story. When he had finished he drew his check for all the funds mother and daughter would require for a trip to England to establish their claim to the Leighton estate. With the certificate of marriage and a certificate of Beatrice's birth dated eleven months after the marriage they had no trouble in establishing their claim and dispossessing the man who was so anxious to possess Lady Leighton's desk.

Tilton soon after had entered into possession of their property went abroad at Mrs. Leighton's invitation. He brought Beatrice Leighton back as his wife, and this was the end of the Leighton family in England and the continuance of the Tilton family in America.

KEENLY INTERESTED.

Lincoln's Question After the Committeeman Had Finished.

Just after the second battle of Bull Run the Boston chamber of commerce decided that President Lincoln was not prosecuting the war with enough celerity to conserve the interests of business, and so it appointed a committee to go to Washington and remonstrate with him upon his dilatory tactics. The committee was headed by a Mr. Pierce.

"We found," he said, "a man who looked as if he had lost all the friends he ever had in the world, who invited us to his seat and implored our assistance. As I was the spokesman, I opened our case, and as I proceeded the president's face relaxed. By and by he smiled and betrayed actual interest, and by the time I concluded he was almost in a broad grin. After I had finished he inquired if that was all I had to say, and on my saying that I thought it was he asked if some of the other gentlemen wouldn't like to say something. They replied that they thought I had fully covered the ground. And then," continued Mr. Pierce, "what do you suppose this solemn man did? Well, he just moved his chair over to mine, smoothed his trousers over his knee, then reached over and smoothed mine down, too, and then, with a queer look, which none of us will ever forget, he said, 'Mr. Pierce, did you ever notice what a difference there is in legs?'"

"What did we do? We grabbed our hats and took the first train for Boston, and we never dared to report!"—Ladies' Home Journal.

Followed Directions.

Two street urinals were having a controversy over a spotted pup.

"Gimme my dog," said the tall one angrily, doubling up his fist.

"Give yer dog dere?" retorted the other one sarcastically. "Why, yer can whistle for it."

"Can, eh? Well, that's just what I'm going to do. Come on, pup!"

And the next moment the tall boy and the dog were vanishing around the corner.—New York Press.

Getting a Renewal.

Little Dorothy was playing "house" with her small friend Elizabeth, when suddenly she said, "I guess I'll have to go home."

"What for?" asked Betty, with a good deal of concern.

"To ast my mamma if I can tum back again," answered Dorothy.—Woman's Home Companion.

WOMEN PAY THE PENALTY

They Are the Victims of a Deadly Family Feud

SHOT BY SHERIFF'S POSSE

Mrs. Charles Daniels and Her Sixteen-year-old Daughter Shot and Killed in West Virginia-Kentucky Feud.

Williamson, W. Va., Nov. 27.—Firing from the doorway of their home on a sheriff's posse to give the men of their family an opportunity to escape, Mrs. Charles Daniels and her 16-year-old daughter were shot to death Thursday near Devon, Mingo county, by the officers.

The shooting grew out of a family feud between the Christians and the Daniels family on the borders of Kentucky and West Virginia.

The Christians live in Mingo county, West Virginia, and the Daniels family in Pike county, Kentucky.

About three weeks ago, George Christian ventured to the Kentucky side and was slain by Jim Daniels. Christian and Daniels were brothers-in-law and had formerly been allies.

After the killing of Christian, the two families and their friends became involved. The Christians secured warrants for Jim Daniels and his brother, Charles, and led a posse of Pike county officers to the Daniels home.

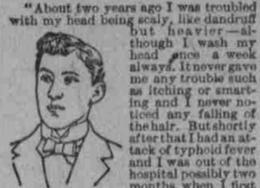
When the officers approached within a few feet of the house, Mrs. Daniels and her daughter opened fire with rifles, one of the posse receiving a bullet in the arm. The Christians opened fire. Mrs. Daniels was shot down at the doorway, but her daughter stood over her and fired upon the posse, until she dropped across her mother, struck by three bullets.

The officers closed in, but by forfeiting their own lives the mother and daughter had enabled the father and brother to escape. There is much excitement here over the affair.

FEARED TOTAL LOSS OF HAIR

Scalp had been Scaly for Some Time—After an Attack of Typhoid Fever his Hair Began to Fall Out by the Handful—Now It is

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"About two years ago I was troubled with my head being scaly, like dandruff but heavier—although I wash my head once a week always. It never gave me any trouble such as itching or smarting and I never noticed any falling of the hair. But shortly after that I had an attack of typhoid fever and I was out of the hospital possibly two months when I first noticed the loss of hair, my scalp being still scaly. I started to use a dandruff cure to no effect whatever. And I used a hair preparation quite freely which did no good either. Whether it was the effect of the fever or some scalp disease I don't know, but I had actually lost hope of saving my hair at all. I could brush it off my coat by the handful. It got so bad that I didn't need to comb it any more—in fact I used two cakes of Cuticura Soap with satisfaction, advised me to try them. After using two cakes of Cuticura Soap and nearly a box of Cuticura Ointment, the change was surprising. My scalp is now clear and healthy as could be and my hair thicker than ever, whereas six months ago I had my mind made up to be bald in a short time. I will have a photograph taken later and send you one. William F. Stone, 5812 Broad St., Pittsburg, Penn., May 7 and 21, '08."

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YOUTHFUL PHILOSOPHY.

How Johnny Gave His Father a Lesson in Economics.

Little Johnny had been gazing thoughtfully at his book of animal pictures when he suddenly called out:

"Say, pa, does it cost much to feed a lion?"

"Yes."

"How much?"

"Oh, a lot of money."

"A wolf would make a good meal for a lion, wouldn't it, pa?"

"Yes, I guess so."

"And a fox would be enough for the wolf, wouldn't it?"

"Yes, yes."

"And a fox would make a meal off a hawk, eh, pa?"

"I suppose so."

"And the hawk would be satisfied with a sparrow?"

"Of course."

"And a big spider would be a good meal for the sparrow, wouldn't it, pa, wouldn't it, pa?"

"Yes, yes."

"And a fly would be enough for the spider?"

"Sure."

"And a drop of molasses would be all the fly would want, wouldn't it?"

"Oh, stop that chatter."

"But wouldn't it, pa?"

"Yes."

"Well, pa, couldn't a man keep a lion more'n a year on a pint of molasses?"

But just at this point it was discovered that it was time for little Johnny to go to bed.—Salt Lake Herald.

Otherwise Bane.

Examining Physician—Have there ever been any indications of insanity in your family? Applicant For Life Insurance (with visible reluctance)—Yes, sir; one. My father was the victim of a hallucination that I was born to be a great musician.—Chicago Tribune.

Had Him Fast.

Cynicus—It is impossible for a woman to keep a secret. My wife and I were engaged for several weeks before she said anything to me about it.—Philadelphia Record.

Might Have Been Worse.

"Poor D're!" exclaimed O'Hara, con-doing with Cassidy, who had been injured by a blast. "The tough luck to hav yer hand blowed off."

"Och! Faith, it might 'ave bin worse," replied Cassidy. "Suppose O'd had me week's wages in it at the tolme."

His Specialty.

"That clerk of yours seems to be a hard worker." "Yes, that's his speciality." "What—working?" "No, seeming to."—Boston Transcript.

One Difference.

Examiner—Now, children, what is the difference between "pro" and "con"? Bright Boy—Please, sir, they're spelt different.—London Punch.

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MUST DECIDE ZELAYA'S FATE

Whether He Shall Live or Die the Question

WASHINGTON TO DECIDE

Although Assistant Secretary of State Will Handle Matter, It Is Thought That Mexico May Take a Hand.

Washington, Nov. 27.—Diplomatic negotiations are in progress between America and Mexico with a view of reaching an agreement for joint action in the complicated political situation in Central America, growing out of the present revolution in Nicaragua. Huntington Wilson, assistant secretary of state, yesterday declined to discuss the negotiations with Mexico, saying that the execution of the two Americans, Leroy Cannon and Leonard Grace, is a matter in which Mexico has no concern and will be handled by America without outside aid.

In restoring peace in Nicaragua and in punishing President Zelaya of that republic for his repeated violations of the conventions of the Central American peace conference in Washington two years ago, Mexico will probably be asked to co-operate with America.

It is expected that America will take decisive action within the next few days, as the case against Zelaya, it is understood, is nearing completion.

It is fairly well established, according to press reports from Bluefield, that Grace and Cannon held commissions in the revolutionary army at the time they were captured by General Toledo, the commanding officer of the Nicaraguan troops now besieged in Greytown. According to the views of the legal officers of the state department, they were therefore entitled to treatment as prisoners of war, the usual rules of international law.

FARM CENSUS SCHEDULE.

It Has Been Completed and Nine Million Copies Will Be Printed.

Washington, D. C., Nov. 27.—Census Director Durand has received from Assistant Director William F. Willoughby the general schedule for the census of agriculture, April 15 next, which Mr. Willoughby, in conjunction with Prof. Le Grand Powers, chief statistician for agriculture, and the advisory board of farm economists and other agricultural experts, has been formulating during the summer.

Director Durand has approved the form and subdivision of the inquiries and has ordered nine million copies of the schedule to be printed by the government printing office in readiness before January 1, although they will not be placed in the hands of the 45,000 farm enumerators until the usual time before the enumeration date. It is believed there are nearly seven million separate farms in the United States, each requiring a separate schedule.

The schedule is printed on both sides of a single sheet, 13 inches long and 10 inches wide, of white writing paper, 25 by 32 inches. There is a three-inch-wide column of instructions to enumerators on both left sides of the sheet, so that it can be cut off after the filled-in schedule has been returned to the census bureau. This makes the schedule smaller in size and better adapted for handling in tabulation than previous schedules. A separate book of instructions to enumerators supplements the schedule information.

The nine million copies will consume 4,500 reams of paper, which, counting 32 pounds to the ream, will make a weight of 294,000 pounds. The charges for printing, including the cost of paper, will be \$13,000. The schedule is so standardized that it will feed on the perfecting press used at the government printing office, which makes 9,000 revolutions per hour and prints four schedules each revolution, or a product of 36,000 per hour, as against the old flat-bed process used on the 1900 schedules with a speed of from 1,200 to 1,500 revolutions per hour. It will take about three weeks to print them, with the press running sixteen hours a day.

TEN MORE DISMISSED.

Further Discharges from the New York Custom House.

New York, Nov. 27.—Ten more assistant weighers were dropped by Collector of the Port Loeb from the customs service yesterday.

The collector announced that with these dismissals the "general house-cleaning" in the customs house, as the result of the investigation into under-weighing frauds, had been completed. Some individual cases remained, however, on which he might find it necessary to take action, the collector added.

Mr. Loeb stated that there were no charges against the men removed yesterday, but that investigation had developed circumstances that made it advisable to dispense with their services.

Including yesterday's dismissals, a total of 83 men have been removed by the collector, since the work of readjustment of the staff in the customs service began. The men dismissed yesterday were civil service appointees, and men from the civil service list of eligibles have been selected by the collector and by Deputy Surveyor Parr to succeed them.

The collector said he wished to correct a misapprehension which appeared to him to be somewhat general, to the effect that the civil service rules had been disregarded in the dismissals and appointments previously made during the upheaval. This was not the case, he declared, as the civil service rules have been strictly regarded and appointments of new men in all cases have been made from the civil service lists.

HUGHES FILLS COURT VACANCY.

Edward B. Whitney Named for Supreme Court.

Albany, N. Y., Nov. 27.—Governor Hughes yesterday announced the ap-



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Edward B. Whitney, a son of Professor William Dwight Whitney, was born in New Haven, Conn., in 1857, and after studying at the Columbia law school was admitted to the bar in this state in 1880. He was assistant attorney general of the United States under President Cleveland from 1893 to 1897 and as such took part in the argument of the income tax case and other important cases. Since 1897 he has been practicing law in New York city.

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