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and much padding, and appeared as a slim man of no particular age. The slim man stuffed the discarded clothes, together with a wig, into a box under the table, from which box he took a bowler hat and a light overcoat. The car stopped on the borders of a large town, the young man descended and disappeared, and the journey was resumed. Crampiron was alone in the car. Since his expulsion without boots into the road, each event of the flight had been a separate astonishment to him. And further astonishment remained. The window at the front of the car was lowered by the chauffeur, who turned his goggled and furred head to speak.

"Get under the seat again!" said the chauffeur.

Crampiron knew the voice. It was Maurice's.

He obeyed it. Dusk came on.

The car traveled for what appeared to Crampiron interminable leagues. Then there was a loud, unrestrained, and continuous hooting, and the movement ceased for perhaps a minute; then the vehicle glided forward

over very smooth ground for a time, and stopped finally. Everything was now dark. Crampiron heard the door of the car open and the voice of Maurice telling him to emerge. He emerged, stiff, and was at once rapidly but gently blindfolded. Some one led him up several steps, and then along a level; he was pushed from behind, the click of a latch sounded, and he knew that he was ascending in an elevator. He was taken from the elevator, the bandage was untied; he blinked, and saw that he was in the great illuminated chamber of the statue.

Maurice faced him, covered with white dust from head to foot, the dust of over two hundred miles of English highways. The young man carried in his hand another basket of food.

"You will need something to eat," he said to Crampiron, putting the basket on the end of the long table. "I must leave you for a little while."

"But—"

Maurice, however, had departed.

To be continued next Sunday

### Synopsis of Preceding Chapters

**CARL COURLANDER**, an English financier of immense wealth, a man of tremendous and mysterious influence in government and international affairs, invited a select few to a house party at Tudor Hundreds, his estate at Dunstable. The guests included Lord Doncastle, Prime Minister of England, who was enamored of Millicent, Carl's daughter; Abraham Crampiron, Courlander's financial rival; Norah Crampiron, the latter's daughter, fiancée of Maurice Courlander, Carl's son; and Emile Berger, a French architect, the designer of a wonderful statue in the midst of Tudor Hundreds, who also was in love with Millicent.

The statue was unveiled with appropriate éclat, and a dinner was served in one of its chambers. At the conclusion of the repast Carl announced that he had just successfully concluded financing a German loan to the Sultan of Morocco, which would result in war between England, France, and Germany. This announcement evoked consternation, both because it meant the failure of Crampiron, who stood for France, and because it was another evidence of Courlander's mystery; the moment it happened, even though it was in Berlin, over six hundred miles away.

Maurice, who was an idealist, heeded took his father to task for being responsible for a terrible war. Carl remarked that the war could not be stopped unless he himself should die within the next day or two.

Early the next morning Emile discovered the

body of a man lying on the plinth of the statue. He had been stabbed. The dead man was Courlander.

The detectives asked Maurice about his conversation with his father the night before, which had been overheard.

Maurice dismissed Slade Beakbane, who had been his father's confidential man, and ordered the Courlander business to be wound up, and the Morocco loan stopped.

Norah and Maurice were married secretly; but when Norah confessed that she knew her father had murdered Courlander, and begged Maurice to cease the campaign of implacable revenge he had entered upon, the latter spurned her and declared that he would see Crampiron hanged.

Beakbane knew of the murder, and was employed by Crampiron. He had been betraying Courlander's secrets for sometime. Crampiron was arrested for the murder. Maurice and Emile discovered Beakbane paying secret visits to the statue.

Crampiron, when on trial, received a false report of his daughter's death, and, believing it true, was so overcome that he confessed his guilt. He was sentenced to die.

Doncastle's cabinet requested the King to reprieve Crampiron's sentence to twenty years' penal servitude, which was done.

It was discovered that some one was mysteriously visiting the statue.

Emile successfully courted Millicent.

### IF—By J. L. Harbour

**I**F the seven longest rivers could be placed in a straight line, they would lack only five hundred and fifty miles of encircling the earth.

If Mount Everest was picked up and dropped into the deepest part of the Pacific Ocean, its top would be nearly one thousand feet below the surface of the water. If this same mountain was dropped into the Atlantic at the deepest known point, it would create an island two thousand feet high.

If all the Roman Catholics in the world were assembled in one city, they would make a city larger than the entire population of the United States, Russia, and Austria-Hungary. But all the religious Protestant and Catholic denominations combined would make a city only about one-third the size of a city large enough to contain all the Mohammedans, Buddhists, Brahmans, Pagans, and other non-Christians of the world.

If the muscles in the arm of the average man were put together and a nervous impulse passed into them, their contraction would lift a weight of two hundred and twenty-four pounds from the ground. Muscles have the unique power, when stimulated by nerve impulse, of contracting, somewhat as rubber bands might do if they could squeeze themselves up shorter. They are, in fact, the reverse of rubber; for they contract only and cannot stretch out.

If none of the heat generated in the human body was lost, in half an hour it would increase the temperature of the body two degrees. It is conceded that a temperature of one hundred and six degrees is fatal. If the facility of insensible adjustment to external changes of heat and cold was suddenly lost, the entire race would die inside of four hours. Translating the total heat of the body generated in twenty-four hours into work, as pure heat it would raise six and a half gallons of water instantaneously to the boiling point.

If, according to that eminent authority, Mulhall, all the money in the world was equally divided among all the people in the world, each person would have just seven dollars and fifty cents at the time of division. This would not be enough to pay off the *per capita* public debts of the principal countries.

If all of the alcoholic drinks consumed in the United States in a single year were put into barrels, they would fill 5,126,621.77 barrels each three feet high. If these barrels were placed end to end they would reach all the way from New York city to Prescott, Arizona. If this wet stuff was put into one receptacle, it would take a reservoir larger than the one constructed for Boston and its outlying town to hold it, or it would supply power with which to turn the wheels of a large factory for several months. The average quantity of liquor consumed in the United States is about twenty gallons a year for every man, woman, and child. Deducting the men, women, and children who never touch their share of this liquor, it proves that some of those who do use it become well "soaked" in the course of a year.

If a human nerve fiber was stretched round the earth, containing two brains very close

together, it would be one hundred and twenty-two hours before a headache in one would be felt in the other. An electric impulse circles the earth in a little more than one second.

If you do not already know it, you may be a little surprised to know that the value of the output of the fruitful hen is far greater than that of the wheat fields in the United States. The fact is that the busy and hustling hen is a powerful commercial asset and that her value is increasing with eggs selling as high as sixty cents a dozen in midwinter.

If you set out to walk a mile in Sweden, you will have to walk more than five times as far as you would have to walk in America to complete your mile; for a Swedish mile is 34,950 feet long, while an American mile is only 5,280 feet. The English and the American miles are the same in length, while the Spanish mile lacks 714 feet of being as long as the American mile, the Norwegian mile is nearly seven times its length, and the Dutch mile is only 3,280 feet. With the exception of America and England, there are no countries in which the mile is the same length.

If some of the American people are disposed to regard the Government as extravagant because of the fact that the President receives fifty thousand dollars a year and twenty-five thousand dollars for traveling expenses, they should compare this annual stipend with the sums the chief executives of other countries receive. King Edward and Queen Alexandra are paid two million three hundred and fifty thousand dollars annually, and have some profitable perquisites in addition to this vast sum. The Prince of Wales receives double the sum we pay our President, and the Princess of Wales is paid fifty thousand dollars a year. The King of Siam is said to receive ten millions a year, and little Haiti pays her ruler two hundred and forty thousand dollars annually.

If there is anything lacking in the newest and greatest of the "ocean greyhounds" to make her modern, will some one suggest what that lack is? The Adriatic put in her first appearance in New York Harbor about the middle of May with three thousand passengers aboard, after having made the trip from Liverpool in seven days, one hour, and forty-five minutes. She is seven hundred and twenty-five feet long, seventy-five feet in breadth, and about fifty feet deep. She has Turkish baths, a plunge bath, temperate and cooling rooms. She has a finely equipped gymnasium and electric elevators. She has a fine library, and in the first cabin dining room are tables to accommodate small parties as one would find in any first class restaurant on land. Three hundred and seventy persons can be seated at one time in this modern ship restaurant.

If it is true that American women are the best dressed women in the world, some of them are wonderfully ingenious in presenting such a good appearance on a small sum; for it has been demonstrated that eighty-five per cent. of the women of America spend less than fifty dollars a year for clothing.

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