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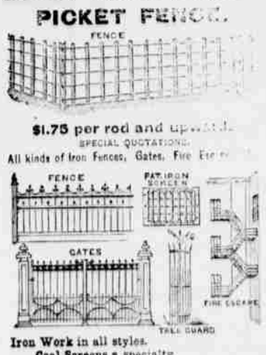

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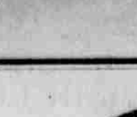
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SELECT STORY.

THE HOBBY OF ONE HOLMES.

Among the friends of my college days was one Holmes, from Western New York. By reason of a slightly-jerky gait, which he afterwards overcame, he was known by his classmates as "Frog" Holmes. This also served to distinguish him from another Holmes in the same class, who, from an unfortunate propensity, bore the alliterative and rather unenviable title of "Hog" Holmes. Assigned to the same dormatory with the former, our rooms adjoined, and, though he was much older than I, we soon became on moderately intimate terms. There was nothing remarkable about him; of only fair attainment in aports and studies, he was neither a toast with the students nor a favorite with the faculty. His means were restricted; painfully so, it seemed to most of us, who lived on a liberal scale. This was betrayed by his meagre wardrobe, and by his choice of a boarding house, whose reputed horrors were second only to those of the medical school itself. He seemed weighted down with a sense of injustice, too, as though the world owed him something better than he got, and was not good for the deb. The one thing that never failed to rouse him from depression, even in his senior years, and cause him to throw off his general reserve, were stories of travel and adventure.

He ransacked the libraries for such, and nothing came amiss, from the prosaic narrative of old Hakluyt to the latest flighty fiction of Jules Verne. Many a time have I caught him reveling in the dire dangers of heroes by land and sea; and he would vow with enthusiasm that as soon as he could escape the academic walls to emulate their example as far as modern circumstances would admit.

"Think," he would cry, "of what glorious times the English fellows of the Alpine clubs must have in storming a peak like the Matterhorn, which, of a bright afternoon, floats its snow banner as a flag of defiance to mortals below! What exhilaration to overcome its dangers, and write your name and address in the loftiest snow banks if you like, after the ambition of any true Yankee!"

He derided the impossibility of penetrating to the North Pole, and was willing to bet, with a confessed inability to put up the stakes, that it would yet be done. He would grow fairly aglow even on such Arctic themes as this, despite his poorly furnished, half-heated room. Colonel Sellers and he might have shaken hands over that innocent deception of the red isinglass and candle.

One of his early exploits, I remember, was an attempt to scale East Rock. Those familiar with the more striking topographical features of New Haven know the sheer precipice of that picturesque cliff, facing the city, where the trap rock has broken away abruptly, not unlike the basaltic columns which are seen defined better at Rabbit Rock, across the Quinnipiac and beyond East Haven. There is scarce a foothold for a mountain goat with his sharp hoofs, much less for a human being with no such special provision.

Holmes found it out to his cost, too; and those of us who had gone as witnesses to his foolhardy effort were obliged to hasten to the top by a round-about path and lower him a rope; for half way up he had reached a point where retreat was as impossible as progress, and where the support was so slight for his clinging hands and feet that his strength was well nigh exhausted when our aid came.

On another occasion, deaf to remonstrance, he swam out from the light-house to a rock near by in the Sound, at the risk of his life, and was brought back in a boat. These are but illustrations of what an erratic course he was liable to run at any time, the queer combination that he was of discouragement brought on by poverty and of physical prowess ever longing to assert itself.

After graduation, when we had all shaken hands and sworn never to forget each other, I lost sight of him. He failed to put in an appearance, either at the triennial reunion or at subsequent ones, nor was there any word from him; and, inasmuch as he made no sign, he passed out of my recollection except for his pet title, which was always a good illustration of the felicity of college nomenclature.

A year or two ago I had planned to take the day boat from New York to Albany. It was a bright summer morning.

But, warm as the day might be on shore, the river breeze was too strong except for those well provided with wraps, and presently the group diminished; as many sought the more genial quarters aft the cabin, where the sunshine fell and lay undisturbed on the receptive backs of the people, or on the white boards of the deck.

I skimmed the papers in a desultory way, incident to a constant diversion by scenery on river and shore, one's attention is drawn off by all sorts of sights; one moment by a puffing little tug, straining every beam and cable with a great train of canal barges; another moment by the pretentious steam yacht of a Wall street grandee, who may live at Irvington or Tarrytown, and who comes down to the city every morning by this royal water way to deal in margins on the very grain he passes en route, perhaps to a thousand times its actual value.

After exhausting the contents of my literary pack my eyes fell upon the one person who more than the other attracted it before. It was that of a middle-aged man, apparently in good health, well equipped for travel, with plenty of rugs and canes and the very latest style of pale leather satchel, but there was an ennui in his every movement, and in such features as were discernible under a heavy growth of beard. Instinctively I became convinced that there was something either peculiar in his history or in his present condition. There were others, also, not far from me who seemed concerned about the same individual, for, no matter how much he might change his position from one part of the boat to the other, not content with mere observation, some one of the company followed him respectfully but surely.

Where was the magnetism? Were they drawn towards him by his possession of a valuable secret? That he was a suspected criminal, shadowed by a detective, presently flashed into my mind, and developments forthwith served to corroborate this theory. If he strayed, naturally enough it seemed to me, to the edge of the railing, there wandered after him a man who, betraying the athlete in gait and frame, certainly kept one eye upon my suspected fellow traveler—I was sure of that—and the other one, may be, on the life-preservers in the racks above—those valuable life-preservers in the racks above—those valuable life preservers which are invariably out of order and unattainable if an accident occurs. Nor was this espionage abated at meal time. We went to dinner at the same hour and sat alongside of each other. There a single moment convinced me that my companion had not been reared in the luxury he was now able to command, for whenever he used his napkin he bent his head forward as he must have done when a boy to meet a scant-cut tablecloth. So much for a solitary hint of earlier history.

Not far away there seated himself, with evident reference to our position, an entirely different persecutor this time; one with scrupulously neat clothing, finely chiseled features and thoughtful brow, and, if I could judge by the way he carved his chicken, of firm and skillful hand. There was no communication between him and my neighbor across the table, except now and then a glance of partial recognition of each other's presence, as though they were not total strangers.

I became fascinated with the apparent mystery, and could not but attempt to fathom it, feeling all the while half ashamed of my ill concealed curiosity. At the landing at Albany three men whom I had singled out as specially attached to my hero gathered somewhat closer about him than before, and I fully counted on seeing him led off by officers of the law, who should have been notified to apprehend so important a fugitive. Of what had he been guilty? Was it that he was making a bee-line for Canada, that ready refuge for a certain class of felons; or were the evidences of his guilt gathering about him so rapidly and so unmistakably that he would not be permitted to pass the happy boundary which meant his freedom; or was there some worse crime than forgery or defalcation on his conscience and on his track that was hounding him to death? I thought over the more heinous offenses in the category of crime, any of which might pertain to this case. There was no telling. I was confident I was to be separated from my unhappy companion. The Rataplan House, with its bountiful table, well known to all travelers, was to be my lot, and his possibly a prison cell.

Judge of my surprise when I saw him also register his name close to mine, and that name (you may be sure I was bound to see it) was Holmes. Here was a ray of light. The features of my old college acquaintance became outlined through his hirsute exterior now that I knew who he was, and with a great sense of relief, as though a Court of Justice had pronounced him innocent after an exhaustive trial, I clapped him on the shoulder, introduced myself, and greeted him warmly.

In a few moment we were talking of the old times and old friends and with a certain dash at our present estates. My story was quickly told. The books I fondled now were the day-book and the cash-book, with the ledger as chief book of reference, instead of the Latin dictionary. But his experience was the thing that interested me most, and I felt that what I had imparted must prove a poor quid pro quo. There was a slight tinge of the old reserve as I propounded a few questions, although there certainly could not be the same cause for it as before, for I have said his personal outfit and general style in which he traveled betrayed ample means. My curiosity, by no means satisfied with simple identification, I determined should be satisfied to the utmost, if possible, before I retired that night.

"My history," he premised, "has been rather a peculiar one. You know my old fondness for travel. I had hardly hoped to be in position to gratify it, but my father dying shortly after I left college betrayed the fact that instead of being poverty-stricken, as his family supposed, he had been saving and skimping all the while to keep up a large life insurance of which we were altogether ignorant. A fortune could not have come more suddealy or unexpectedly had it dropped from the sky.

"In the twinkling of an eye my circumstances were changed and the whole outlook of my life different. The effect was not merely one personal gratification at being able to follow my own fancy as to a career, but there grew upon me with all the strength of hereditary instinct a determination to follow my father's footsteps as a benefactor in my death. Being a comparatively young man, the premiums would, I argued, be light, and, moreover, I could begin in a moderate way. My other ventures prospered, and as they prospered I increased my insurance. As the miser counts his gold greedily, so I oftentimes fingered over the neatly folded policies which were already mine, and counted up their full value and dreamt of the beneficent results which should one of these days flow from their realization.

"Strange as it may seem, I had as much enjoyment from the imaginary post-mortem distribution of my wealth a wealth which should become available only by the final act of my existence, as most have in the actual possession of life itself.

"The Scriptural inquiry of the Revised Version, 'What shall a man give in exchange for his life?' seemed to have found in my soul its answer, viz.: a large legacy of insurance money to posterity. In short, it became a passion with me to be the most heavily insured man that ever lived, and I stretched the limits of the companies to their utmost tension with my risks. As the insurance piled up so my plans grew more extensive. A university modeled on a new plan should be founded on my grave, and charitable institution, to say nothing of my nearest relatives, should rise up, when I could no longer for myself, and call me blessed."

An eager listener as he elaborated his projects, I chimed in an occasional "yes," or some other conventional form of assent. The idea was an entirely novel one to me, and on hasty consideration of it, it seemed to be an excellent use of one's money. Here he was firmly fixed on a rock foundation of the various equitables, mutuals, tontines, and benefits qualified by the main States of the Union, and fairly boxing the compass, whose names are rendered amply familiar to every one of us by the frequent visits of the agents with their tabular statements of unique advantages. "There can be no drawback to this," I said. "It is setting up a dead certain thing on the future." I fancied I must have been deceived by appearances while aboard the boat. There was nothing more harmless than an ambition of this sort.

"You are mistaken," exclaimed he with warmth. "Any excess implies a penalty. What became a devouring passion with me has brought its burdens, and as I yield more completely to the passion, so the burdens have become more heavy and grievous to be borne. I feel tempted day by day to throw them off, only that I cannot bring my mind to sacrifice my favorite schemes now so long nurtured."

I begged for an explanation.

"Do you not see," responded he, "insured, as I am, for a million dollars or more, that my life is too valuable to the insurance companies to be lost if there be a possible way to preserve it? Every day that I live is money in their pockets, or rather in their safety vaults. I first became aware that other people were taking a lively interest in my existence when nothing one day at Long Branch. I had been carried far beyond my depth by the undertow and I had no idea how my strength was wasted until I headed for the shore. I thought I was gone for good, but unexpectedly a bold swimmer came to my relief and brought me safe to shore. I was profuse in my thanks and offered to reward him handsomely, but his manner persuaded me that it was his duty rather than any philanthropic motive that prompted the rescue. Shortly afterward, while traveling in the West, I think in Texas, the stage was halted by road agents and our lives imperilled. Two of the passengers, however, immediately transformed themselves into thoroughly armed guards, and the attack was repulsed at the enemy's cost. But I hardly realized the extent to which I was cared for until one day, choking at the table, my neighbor on the left sprang to my assistance and extracted an offending fish bone. My independence had gone forever. I was not permitted to ascend the Alps without the now indispensable companion. If I wanted to see 'Life in the Metropolis,' as the play-bills put it, and take in the characteristic quarters of old London or Paris, there must needs go with me a slugger, who might give odds to John Sullivan; and you have no idea how dark the shadow of a shield over one's head till you have walked beneath it for years. Insurance companies by mutual agreement simply paid the expenses of these life-preservers in human form. It is susceptable of simple arithmetical demonstration. The interest on a million dollars at the legal rate is about $165 per day, to say nothing of the accumulating interest upon it unpaid. This would procure fair talent in the way of swimmer, slugger and surgeon and pay their traveling expenses as well as when they were called upon to move. When on the water I am in the care of the first, on shore he turns me over to the second as the Captain turns over to the mate his vessel in port. And I might multiply instances of where my appointed guardians have stepped between me and harm until you would fancy I was reciting afresh the 'Transmigrations of Indur,' that story of Mr. Barbauld which entranced us when we were children.

"But this," he continued, is only one phase of the interest I excite. My health has become a matter of far too much concern to those for whose benefit it is supposed to be insured. The institutions which have been apprised of their position as beneficiaries at my death seem to exist in an unpleasantly expectant attitude, and the prayers of the managers are rather for my prosperity, I fancy, than for my long life. They have actually gone so far when I might be indisposed to incur extra expenses and be sorely put to it to meet the same on my recovery. My relatives, too, whom I visited, always seemed to me to be engaged in wondering why some lucky circumstance did not carry me off. Plenty of people were dying daily who could not half so well be spared. It may be fancy, but the unhappy idea pursues me nevertheless. Alas, they have no conception how hard at work the companies are to save me. Here you see are two opposing, not to say contending influences—one desiring and insisting on the maintenance of my life, the other secretly, if not openly, craving its end. The poor doctor, whose practice cannot be limited to surgery, is with me always. There he is now, watching lest I burn another strong cigar ere I go to bed.

I saw that he was tired, and we parted. In the morning early I was off, and we met no more. Poor Holmes, the burden he spoke of so feelingly was too much for him. Death came soon despite all precautions, and last May I read his simple obituary. He had provided against publicity of his career or his idiosyncrasy, which became an extremely distasteful subject to him at the last. The labor of guardians ceased, and the only noteworthy reminder of his history turned up when a voluble and most persistent lightning calculator dropped in on me a few days ago. Taking him for a likely customer, I lent him the closest attention during the skirmishing that usually precedes business, when he developed into an insurance agent, without the one redeeming feature of blotters. From him I secured the paper which I here submit, with the explanation that Sarah D. Holmes was a favorite cousin of the deceased, and that ten other checks of equal amounts were distributed among his heirs and beneficiaries at his death.

Justice Field tells how his pride had a fall. When he was a young man he was particularly proud of his erect form and fine curling hair. Walking one day with head well up, he ran against a cart and injured his knee. The injury resulted in permanent lameness and a consequent stoop in his shoulders. Afterward hard study produced brain fever, and a fly-blister cured the fever and destroyed his waving locks.

Very High Life.

THE IMPOSSIBILITY OF CUTTING A SWELL ON SIX DOLLARS A WEEK.

With a young man of limited financial resources and a fondness for the opposite sex difficulties sometimes arise that are as embarrassing as can well be imagined. No young man wishes to know among the gentle sex that he is anything short of a veritable nabob. So long as he can dress pretty well and look as though he commanded a bank account of no small proportions he can sail along very smoothly, but a time will come when the winds of adverse circumstances blow upon him, and nothing but the shrewdest management of his craft will save him from exposure. A young man do