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LICENSE APPLICATIONS.

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HOTEL LICENSES. Grove Township. O. L. Bailey, Enterprise House Geo. P. Shafer, Sinnemahoning House H. W. Martindale and H. A. Smith, doing business as Smith & Company, Brooks Run Hotel Driftwood.

Lumber Township. J. H. Welton, Evergreen Hotel

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Samuel D. McDonald, Central House John C. Kibe, Exchange Hotel John L. Johnson, American Hotel Charles F. Johnson, St. Charles Hotel John Costello, Eagle Hotel M. F. Hamilton, Cook's Hotel Emporium, Middle Ward, Hotel Licenses.

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TIME TABLE No. 29.

COUDERSPORT & PORT ALLEGANY R. R. Taking effect Nov. 1, 1905.

Table with columns for STATIONS, 12, 6, 8, 2, 10, 4. Rows include Port Allegany, Chemical Works, Burtville, Ecletie, Knowlton, Mina, Olmsted, Coudersport, North Coudersport, Frink's, Colesburg, Seven Bridges, Raymond's, Gold, Newfield Junction, Perkins, Carpenter's, Crowell's, Ulysses.

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Train 15 arrives at Port Allegany at 8:50 on Sunday. Train 14 leaves Port Allegany on Sunday at 8:10 p. m. (1) Telegraph offices. Trains run week days only. Trains run on Eastern Standard Time. Connections—At Ulysses with Fall Brook R'y for points north and south. At B. & S. Junction with Buffalo & Susquehanna R. north for Wellsville, south for Galston and Addison. At Fort Allegany with Pennsylvania R. R. north for Buffalo, Olean, Bradford and Smethport; south for Keating Summit, Austin, Emporium and Penn'a R. R. points. H. A. McCLURE, Gen'l Supt. Coudersport, Pa.

When the Clock Struck Twelve A New Year's Story By Louis J. Stillman Copyright, 1906, by Louis J. Stillman



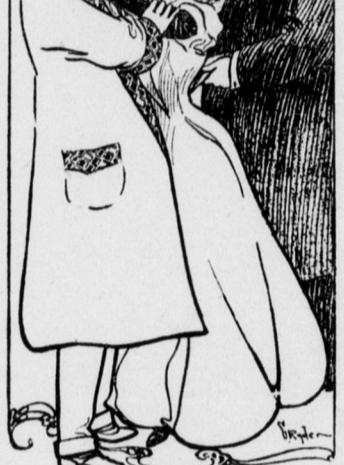
“In just two hours,” said McKee, “I shall have proved the fallacy of signs.” Rover wagged his tail in appreciative silence. He did not know that it was 10 o'clock p. m. on the last day of the year and that the fates as read by his master's friends had decreed that Dudley Yates McKee, bachelor, should become a Benedict before the New Year. Shortly after the present year began the first dire prophecy was made by reason of three plum stones on McKee's plate. He thought nothing of this, but when several days later an amateur card reader made a similar prediction McKee was mildly amused at the coincidence, and when within another month a friend who affected palmistry drew the same augury from McKee's palm the latter began to ponder. At a spiritualistic seance which he was cajoled into attending an alleged 'spirit' again volunteered the information that McKee would marry within the current year, and later a dabbler in astrology to whom McKee confided his growing alarm consulted the stars and verified the matter as a foreordained event in his friend's horoscope.

seated,” he continued, “and we'll get it over?” The girl sank into the chair he provided for her and wept softly into a ridiculous looking square of lace. McKee watched her curiously.

“I don't know what you think,” she burst out in sudden defiance, “and I don't care. It's too late now. I ran in here to escape a man. He insulted me. I was alone on the street. I just got here tonight. And I—I hid in this room before you came in, and then I couldn't get out,” she ended, sobbing afresh.

“I am Dudley McKee,” said that gentleman quietly, “and I'll take pleasure in seeing you safe home after you have rested a bit. There's no harm done, except that you're very much excited.”

“I have no home—now,” said the girl dully. “I—I ran away—to go on the stage. My guardian was not good to



me. He wanted me to marry him—and I—had to leave. Oh, I know you don't believe me!” she added piteously. Some impulse made McKee go over to her and stroke the disordered hair softly. She looked up, startled, and their eyes met with an instantaneous flash of meaning. Then she blushed, and her eyes fell.

Thus they remained, motionless, for a time, each trying to realize, to grasp, the wondrous newness of the thing that had come into their hearts during the instant when their glances met and blended in an unspoken word. With a quick movement McKee bent over and kissed the trembling lips. Even as he did so he felt her arms about his neck.

The ringing of a bell interrupted them like a hideous crash of sound. The girl leaped from her chair and fled from him, her face aflame with sudden shame.

“You can't go now,” said McKee firmly. “You would be seen. Whoever it is, I shall get rid of him at once.” He closed the sliding doors and, re-entering his study, opened the outer door. There stood the Rev. Ashton Wright.

“You left a note saying you wished to see me this morning,” said the visitor. “I was passing and saw your light. If you will excuse the untimeliness of the hour”— McKee stared at him stupidly. “It is fate,” he said.

“What is?” asked the astounded clergyman. “I wanted to see you about quite another matter,” said McKee, speaking rapidly. “I've forgotten what it was. It doesn't matter. But just now I want you to marry me and ask no questions.”

He glanced at the clock. It marked 11:40. The Rev. Ashton Wright stared at his host in blank amazement. McKee opened the sliding doors. “Come!” he called to the girl, and she ran to his side.

“Go on,” he commanded. The Rev. Mr. Wright opened his mouth and then closed it again, remembering McKee's injunction. He knew the young man sufficiently well not to question his motives. And so, after a preliminary gasp or two, he stumbled through the wedding service.

When it was finished, all three looked at one another as though newly awakened from a dream. Just then the clock struck 12. New Year's in St. Petersburg. In St. Petersburg the czar used to break the ice in the Neva on New Year's day, an ancient ceremony accompanied with pomp and ritual, but his imperial majesty has abandoned that custom since Jan. 13, 1905 (the Russian New Year is twelve days later than ours), when a saluting battery ‘‘accidentally’’ fired a charge of grape at him. The little house built on the ice to shelter the court during the ceremony was hit by the grapeshot, and only the ‘‘divinity’’ which doth hedge a king saved the emperor's life.

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