

SERIAL STORY

ELUSIVE ISABEL

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SYNOPSIS.

Count di Rosini, the Italian ambassador, is at dinner with diplomats when a messenger summons him to the embassy, where a beautiful young woman asks for a ticket to the embassy ball.

CHAPTER XI.—(Continued.)

"But if I am innocent?" she protested. "You must prove it," continued Mr. Grimm mercilessly.

"It's unjust!" she interrupted passionately. "It's — it's — you have proved nothing. It's unheard of! It's beyond —!"

Suddenly she became silent. A minute, two minutes, three minutes passed; Mr. Grimm waited patiently.

"Where are we?" she asked. "What house is this?" she asked appealingly.

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the room, closing the door behind him. His stenographer's impression was that some detail of business had occurred to him, and he had gone into the general office to attend to it.

"It so happened that when he went out he left a sentence of his letter incomplete. I tell you this to show that the impulse to go must have been a sudden one, yet there was nothing in his manner, so his stenographer says, to indicate excitement, or any other than his usual frame of mind.

As he talked, some inbred excitement seemed to be growing upon him, due, perhaps, to his recital of facts, and he paused at last to regain control of himself. Incidentally he wondered if Mr. Grimm was taking the slightest interest in what he was saying.

"Understand, Monsieur," the secretary continued after a moment, "that I know nothing whatever of all this until late that afternoon—that is, Tuesday afternoon about five o'clock.



"Now, Monsieur, There Are Only Two Entrances to the Embassy."

I was engaged all day upon some important work in my office, and had had no occasion to see Monsieur Bolesegur since a word or so when he came in at ten o'clock. My attention was called to the affair finally by his stenographer, Monsieur Netteville, who came to me for instructions.

"Now, Monsieur, there are only two entrances to the embassy—the front door, where a servant is in constant attendance from nine in the morning until ten at night, and the rear door, which can only be reached through the kitchen. Neither of the two men who had been stationed at the front door had seen the ambassador since breakfast, therefore he could not have gone out that way. Comprenez? It seemed ridiculous, Monsieur, but then I went to the kitchen. The chef had been there all day, and he had not seen the ambassador at all. I inquired further. No one in the embassy, not a clerk, nor a servant, nor a member of the ambassador's family had seen him since he left his office."

Again he paused and ran one hand across his troubled brow.

How He Timed His Talk. A successful salesman for a hardware line of goods had a novel way last season of exciting at least a momentary interest in his prospective customers in the new territory he had been given.

"Mr. Smith, we are both business men with whom time is money. I only ask for three minutes of yours, as I can only give you three minutes of mine. Let's be sure we keep to the limit."

Thereupon he pulled from his pocket quickly and placed on the desk of his hearer, well within his vision and reach, a neat little article of the same shape as and patterned after the well-known hour glass, but containing only sand enough to require three minutes for its passage from the upper to the lower compartment.

"You keep that—and don't let me overtake the limit."—System.

Morgan, Sentimentalist. The sentimentalist of the world of finance is J. Pierpont Morgan. He gives money widely and recklessly to help men who think they have some wonderful invention or other thing that will be a sensational benefit to the human race.

Temple.—While Edwin M. Becker, an employee at the Muhlenberg Brewing plant, at Hyde Park, near here, was working on the third floor he was stricken with paralysis and fell a distance of twenty feet from a window to the roof of the boiler house, sustaining a compound fracture of the skull, resulting in death.

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THE NEWS OF PENNSYLVANIA

Nesquehoning.—The Lehigh Coal & Navigation Company, which owns all the land throughout the Panther Creek Valley, through which runs one of the richest anthracite coal veins in the entire world has announced that it will construct one of the largest coal breakers in the world a short distance from this place, one that will cost several millions of dollars and having an annual output of a million tons of coal.

McKeesport.—City officials to be deprived of office the first Monday in December, by reason of an amendment to the law governing cities of the third-class, will try again for the places they now hold, with the exception of Mayor H. S. Arthur, who is not permitted that privilege.

Pottsville.—The tax collectors of this county in convention decided to demand an increase in commission for collecting the school taxes under the new school code. Instead of two per cent. commission they demand five per cent., because of the extra labor entailed by the new law which compels them to notify every taxpayer of the taxes due within thirty days after the duplicate is opened.

Tyrone.—Eight employees of the Pennsylvania Railroad Company were injured in a head-on collision between two locomotives here. Engine No. 629 with Engineer J. G. Hull and Conductor H. R. Harshberger moving west with one car attached and a local engine and cabin with Engineer S. W. Keith and Conductor H. H. Miller going east, collided near the depot.

Hazleton.—Mayor Charles Bruch and the other city officials of Hazleton expressed no fear that they come under the provisions of the "ripper" features of the new third-class city law. The Mayor, City Treasurer and City Comptroller here were elected in 1916, and their terms will expire in 1913, the year of the next municipal election after that of 1911.

South Bethlehem.—More than two hundred members of the Claus family attended the ninth annual reunion at Waldheim Park. The Clauses, who came from the Bethlehems, Philadelphia, Limeport, Saegertville, East Greenville, Raubsville and various Lehigh county towns, are descendants of Nathan and Daniel Claus.

Lebanon.—Grant, seven-year-old son of Grant Wagner, of Palmyra, was perhaps fatally injured, and Mrs. John Lettich, of near Palmyra, seriously hurt, when the team occupied by them was struck by a Lebanon Valley Street Railway car at Bomgardner's Lane, two miles east of Palmyra.

Lancaster.—Mrs. Samuel Warner, a member of a prominent family, committed suicide by hanging herself in the attic of her home at White House. Her body was found by her husband. Mrs. Warner has been in ill health for some time.

Hazleton.—While picking huckleberries in the woods, Bernard Wiske, a ten-year-old West Hazleton boy, was struck by a bolt of lightning during a short thunderstorm and instantly killed. Andrew Kowalki, a boy with him, was knocked down by the same bolt, but escaped injury.

Marietta.—A mad dog was killed on the Duffy farm, just north of town, after it had bitten several dogs, and gave several men a chase.

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TERMS.—The terms of subscription to the paper are one dollar per year in advance. ADVERTISING RATES.—Display advertising of ten or more lines for three or five insertions, eight cents per inch for each line. Daily advertising occupying less space than ten lines and for less than three insertions, from ten to twenty cents per inch for each line, according to competition.

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POLITICAL ANNOUNCEMENTS. DEMOCRATIC.

FOR SHERIFF. We are authorized to announce that Arthur B. Lee, of Potter township, is a candidate for the office of Sheriff, subject to the rules and regulations of the Democratic primaries to be held September 30. paid

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER. We are authorized to announce that John R. Lemon of Ferguson township is a candidate for the office of Commissioner, subject to the usages of the Democratic party. paid

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FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER. We are authorized to announce that William A. Stover, of Penn township, is a candidate for the office of County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic primaries to be held September 30. paid

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER. We are authorized to announce that William H. Noll, of Pleasant Gap, in Spring township, is a candidate for the office of County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Democratic primaries to be held September 30. paid

FOR COUNTY TREASURER. I hereby announce myself a candidate for Treasurer of Centre county, subject to the decision of the Democratic primaries to be held September 30. J. MITCHELL CUNNINGHAM. paid

FOR COUNTY TREASURER. We are authorized to announce that John D. Miller, of Walker township, is a candidate for County Treasurer, subject to the usages of the Democratic party. paid

FOR COUNTY TREASURER. We are authorized to announce that Frank W. Grebe, of Philadelphia Borough, is a candidate for the office of County Treasurer, subject to the decision of the Democratic primaries to be held September 30. paid

FOR REGISTER. We are authorized to announce that I. Frank Smith, of Centre Hall borough, is a candidate for Register, subject to the usages of the Democratic party. paid

FOR RECORDER. We are authorized to announce that D. A. Dietrich, of Walker township, will be a candidate for the office of Recorder of Centre county, subject to the decision of the Democratic voters of the county as expressed at the general primaries to be held Saturday, September 30. paid

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY. We are authorized to announce that J. M. Ketchline is a candidate for the office of District Attorney, subject to the usages of the Democratic party. paid

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY. We are authorized to announce that Paul Fortney of Bellefonte, is a candidate for the office of District Attorney, subject to the usages of the Democratic party. paid

FOR DISTRICT ATTORNEY. We are authorized to announce that J. Kenneth Johnson, of Bellefonte, is a candidate for the office of District Attorney, subject to the action of the Democratic voters at the primary election to be held September 30. paid

FOR PROTHONOTARY. We are authorized to announce that D. R. Foreman, of the Borough of Bellefonte, is a candidate for the office of Prothonotary, subject to the usages of the Democratic party. paid

REPUBLICAN.

FOR COUNTY COMMISSIONER. TO EDITOR REPORTER—I hereby announce myself as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held Sept. 30, 1911. JACOB WOODRING, Port Matilda, Pa.

TO EDITOR REPORTER—I hereby announce myself as a candidate for County Commissioner, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held Sept. 30, 1911. HARRY E. ZIMMERMAN, Springtownship, Formerly of Benner township.

FOR REGI TER. TO EDITOR REPORTER—I hereby announce myself as a candidate for Register of Centre county, subject to the decision of the Republican voters at the primaries to be held Sept. 30, 1911. EDWARD J. WILLIAMS, Unionville, Pa.

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