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The Arnolds lived in the old brown house which you may yet notice at the right of the road just as you enter the village of L—, Pennsylvania, from the south. The house stands back about ten rods from the road, among peach and apple trees, and the little path running up from the gate is bordered with pinks and

I should not speak so confidently; it is five years since I saw the village or the house, and perhaps the awful tragedy enacted under the moss-covered roof one night may have kept the house tenantless, and allowed time to tumble it down. One day, in answer to a telegram sent from the nearest railroad station to L---,

a matter of a dozen miles, I rode into the quaint old village on the top of the stage, and at once reported myself to the town authorities. Every inhabitant of the village, even to the ragged urchas sitting on the ragged watch in her hand and the holding it to her night before, I could have read some news almost as bad by glancing at the faces of as it ought to be. My husband only paid the towns-people.

While I was eating my supper at the only hotel the town clerk and the president of the village sat opposite and told me the story. It seemed that Arnold, who was nearly 60 years old, had two sons in another part of the state, and, wishing to divide up his property before his death, had, a few days before the murder, disposed of a farm and some manufacturing in ed of a farm and some manufacturing interest in Pittsburgh, realizing several thousand dollars in cash. He intended visiting the sons and dividing the money between them, but had placed it in the village bank until he should be ready to go. Mrs. Arnold was old and gray-headed and the couple would have been all alone had it not been for little Jack, as he was called, a child four years of age The

passing through the village, and the Arnolds had taken it for company; in fact, had made provision to adopt it.

The night before, at 9 o'clock, a citizen had seen Arnold at his gate smoking a pine. pipe. No one heard any alarm from the house during the night, but about sunrise little Jack crept down into the village, his night-gown red with blood, and told the first one he met, "Somebody had hit grandpa and grandma on the head with an

There was an investigation and the aged couple were found at their house dead and into the vehicle, and they were my only terribly mutilated. The old man's head company. I knew them to be "flash," as was nearly split in two, and Mrs. Arnold soon as I saw their faces, and their talk had a horrible wound on the temple, which had caused death almost instantly. The child was not in the least injured, but seemed to have been badly frightened.

This was the gist of the story I got while eating, but I found that none of the sensational points had been overdrawn when I reached the house. The corpses had been the sub-ject of inquest and had been washed and placed in coffins, but the rooms had not been disturbed. A constable had been present all the time to see that any clue which might have been left of the murderer should not be erased by careless hands

The room where the tragedy occurred was a double bedroom on the ground floor. It contained two beds, one of which was occupied by the old lady alone, and the other by the old man and little Jack. The murderer had come in at the back door, bringing along the axe from the woodpile. He had passed into the bedroom, lighted a candle which stood on the stand, and had been some time in the room before using the weapon. I knew this because the top drawer of the old bureau was pulled out, its contents tumbled over, and there were no bloody finger marks on anything. The three other drawers were daubed with blood, showing that he had searched these

after the murder.

Something had aroused the old man from his sleep. He had started to get out of bed when struck by the axe. The old lady had heard the noise when the cruel implement descended on her head, the positions in which the bodies were found bearing out my theory. The night had been chilly, and little Jack probably snuggled down under the quilts, and had thus escaped harm, though, as afterward shown, he had been a silent witness of part

of the proceedings.

The murderer had made a thorough search of the house, taking his time about it. He had first felt under the old man's pillow after money, and then under Mrs. Arnold's, daubing his fingers with blood, and leaving his marks on the pillows. and leaving his marks on the pillows. counted five different places where he had rested his left hand on the pillows while searching with his right, and in every case there were only four daubs or spots. There should have been five. He would not put four fingers down and hold up his thumb. No; the thumb on the left hand was missing—cut off at least at the first joint.

This was a clue, and my subsequent investigations proved that I was correct in believing so. There was another thing.
The man had torn up the carpet of the
bedroom in several places; had got out
the Bible and looked between its covers; had taken down and searched the clothing in the closet; and had been so cool and thorough in his search that I knew he was no ordinary offender. A common thief would have fled after committing murder or at most stopped only long enough to search the bureau. Whoever the man was he had not secured a dollar in money. He had, however, taken away an old-fashioned gold watch belonging to Arnold, which was out of repair, if found, and here was something which might prove a good

I did not expect to get much out of the boy, owing to his youth. Taking him on my knee, I made his acquaintance, gave him some pennics, and then asked him

what he saw.
"You see," began the child, very gravely, "I heard grandpa talking and getting up, and then I saw a big robber jump up and hit him with the axe. Then grandpa fell down, and the big man went over and struck grandma. Then he looked in the bureau, on the bed, in grandpa's box, in the closet, and then went off, and then I went to sleep."

I dreaded to ask him how the man looked, for much depended on his answer. zens were siting. The little fellow had no ut he was ready with his reply, and al my cross-questioning could not alter his "Big man-red collar (necktie) on-

great big breast pin-red whisker like Mr.

Johnson there—shiny ring on his finger one eye most shut up.' I tried to make little Jack believe that when the purchaser of the watch testified the murderer had black hair, and was a to his intentity he kept a bold face, and little man, but he stuck to his story. Then | went to some pains to attempt to prove an one of the constables talked to him about alibi; but when convicted, mainly on the semething else for ten minutes, and then questioned him as to the appearance of trembled at the sight of the man, the pristhe man; but the story was the same as oner knew he was done for, and cried out

knew the hour of his arrival or departure, and he had left no clue behind-nothing but my theory that the thumb was missing from the left hand. I rode out to the tollgates, but he had not been seen to pass

pursue the case until there was no longer any hope, or until I had found the criminal. Visiting Pittsburgh and Harrisburg I laid my plans to trap him if he tried to dispose of the watch. I wrote letters to various officials, and then I could do no more. For six months I had the case uppermost in my mind, while transacting other detective business, but I had failed to find the least clue. Then one day I got

the tavern porch, carried a grave face and talked in whispers. Had I not known a double murder had been committed the she handed it over with the remark:

\$10 for it."

But it was little comfort to know it as so many months had passed that the man might now be in Europe or under ground. I took the lady's address, allowed her to retain the watch I knew had belonged to the Arnolds and again I lost the case for several months. I wrote over fifty letters, traveled three or four thousand miles on the lookout for a big man and nothing came of it. But one day when approach ing the village of Newfield, New York, by stage, two suspicious-looking chaps got went to prove it. I pretended to be very deaf as soon as they got in, not replying to any of their questions. I assumed the tone of voice generally used by the deaf, held

"Good!" exclaimed one of the men, as I sat down at the other end of the vehi-"Now you can go on with your

Before proceeding the other one called me an old fool, a thief, a robber and various other things, closely watching my countenance to see if I could hear his

"What about Luke?" inquired the other, after the plot had been fully dis-

shady since that business at L____, but now wants to make a haul and dig out for the far West. You needn't fret—we can depend upon him." Before we got into the village the men tried me again, but I could not hear except when they shouted in my ear, and they were sure that the conversation had been strictly private. While they put up at the hotel, I went to the house of a deputy sheriff, intending to remain concealed all the next day. I had, of course, to state my business to the officer, as I must have his aid, and he, the simpleton that he was, related the whole story to his wife after they had retired. Thus it naturally came about that next day, while I was laying shady, but planning how to capture the burglars, the woman was retailing my plans to the neighborhood. When night came there were six of us ready to pounce upon the criminals, but there were no criminals to be found. The fellows had got wind of the affair and were off, and I

a hand resting on the window sill of a horse car-a large red hand. The hand was nothing strange, but the thumb was missing.
I did not wait an instant to think. I leaped from the car, entered the other, and there sat my friends of the stage-coach on cither side of the owner of the hand-"a big man with red hair and whiskers." They all jumped up as I entered, but I hung fast to Luke and soon had the bracelets on him, allowing the others to get away. He had no idea who I was, and I took care not to hint at the charge against

My arrival created much excitement, as pursuit of the murderer had, from the first

at we inte some time did not see the murderer. When he did, he uttered a loud shriek, ran to me, and exclaimed : and grandma!"

one had seen him come or go; no one I questioned the stage drivers, but they could give no satisfaction. I went to the railroad station, but no one could remember having remarked the presence of a stranger on that night. The murderer had arrived and departed like a hird

I was considerably discouraged in not striking his trail, but I was determined to

I found out that her name was Allen; that she lived within a dozen miles of where the Arnolds had been murdered; that on the morning after the murder, as near as she could remember, her husband had purchased the watch of a traveler on the highway, who was looking for work and out of money. She remembered that the man was a large man, had red hair and full beard of the same color, but could not say that be had observed anything suspicious in his actions.

struck the railroad after an hour's traveling. I was convinced that this was the murderer, and that he had made a long journey on the highway in order to baffle pursuit and hide his trai!.

my hand to my ear, and moved over and expressed my regrets if I had offended them, saying that I could not even hear the rumble of the coach.

"The old smooth-bore is as deaf as

interrupted. I soon ascertained that they were on their way to Penfield, to rob a merchant. They had everything arranged to commit the crime the next night, and the one who "put up" the plan gave all the details as to how the robbery was to be committed, where they would "run" to, and gave a guess as to each one's share.

had lost the second only reliable clue to the Arnold murder which I had ever been able to find. Some time after this, while in the city of Rochester, I caught sight of

him until I had him back at L-.

been deemed hopeless. Many contended that I had not secured the right man, and Luke professed never to have been in that part of the state before. The child was several miles away from the village, but I sent for him. It had been a year since the murder. Little Jack had almost forgotten the circumstance, and of course the murderer had changed some. But I had strong hopes that the child would be able to iden-

"There's the big man who hit grandpa Luke braved it out to the last; even

he told me at first. Several of us wrote it down, and I charged the child to remember "Well, I am the man! I saw the boy's eyes looking at me after I had finished the

had arrived and departed like a bird.

I found by questioning that the stranger had continued on the road to the west, and that if he kept on he must have

a stone," he remarked, having satisfied himself as to my deafness, and then he went on with a narrative which had been

"Oh, Luke will be there on time," re-plied the man." "He has kept devilish

tify the man, and I was not disappointed. Waiting until evening, I conducted Jack into a room where Luke and a dozen citi-

I was convinced that the murderer was a stranger in that part of the country. No could not kill him, curse the brat! I now

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