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# The Second Bullet-By Robert Orr Chipperfield

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### THIS STARTS THE STORY

A dinner party is being held at the ome of Colonel and Mrs. Ledyard. home of Colonel and Mrs. Ledyard. Among those present are their daugh-ter, Trixy: her friend, Bebe Cowles; Cornelius Swarthmore, Wendle Brad-dock and Mrs. Allison Hartshorne. Mrs. Hartshorne's past history is clothed in mystory. In her presence mention is made of the release from prison of the president of the River-ton Bank after serving four years of a twenty-year sentence for conver-sion of the bank's funds. Mrs. Harts-horne sudenit leaves under the prehorns suddenly leaves under the pre-tense of a severe headache. She is tense of a severe headache. She is accompanied by Swarthmore, who ex-presses his love for her and obtains her promise of marringe. She sees a face at the window which fills her with terror, the significance of which is not revealed. She is found dead on the floor in the morning by her sus-piciously acting French maid, Ma-tilde. Detective Paul Harvey and other officers prive on the seens. The

tilde. Detective Paul Harvey and other officers arrive on the scene. The officers believe Matilde is concealing information from them. Harvey brings out various facts by the quesbrings out various facts by the ques-tioning of servants and other wit-nesses—Mrs. Hartshorne's peculiarity in keeping large sums of money loose about the house; her carelessness with her jewels. Harvey asks Rose Adare. a social secretary, in close touch with Mrs. Hartshorne's friends, to assist him in unraveling the mystery, Brad-dock admits to Harvey that it was he who sent Mrs. Hartshorne the \$32.who sent Mrs. Hartshorne the S32, 000 pearl necklace, that she promised to be his wife and that au autagon-ism exists between him and Swarthism exists between him and inscrupt-nore, whom he accuses of unscrupt-lous business methods. Daisy Bayne, a trained nurse, informs Harvey that a the saw a woman assisted into the Hartsborne house in the middle of the aight by a man and another woman.

AND HERE IT CONTINUES GT DIDN'T know what to do then ; I and tell what I had seen, but I was afraid I would get in the papers and then the doctor would know I had been to blame for Donald's relapse-well, not really to blame," she corrected herself hastily, "but that I had been careless with him and disobeyed orders. I terday afternoon I went to pay a prowouldn't be trusted on another case if he knew, and I have my mother to support in the country, so you can see what a position I was in !

"The murder puzzled me, too, for none of the papers mentioned the possibility of Mrs. Hartshorne having come home ill or under the influence of alcohol, and I was positive there had been driven away. I thought of nothing came story." "Miss Adare," Paul shook her hand

to me." She stopped with a shudder, and Paul leaned toward her. "You mean-?"

"That it must have been her dead

Rose Adare, who was seated a little rosily.

And when you came to that con- that gin's story is going to be such a clusion, did you still hesitate to tell lot of help to you as I thought it would

what you knew?" fantly. "It wouldn't have done any good to Mrs. Hartshorne for me to have come forward, and I had to think of myself! It worried me, though, so body that had been "No," Paul responded gravely, "I knew from my first examination of the body that had been of myself! It worried me, though, so have from my first examination of the that I wasn't fit for anything; another doctor wanted me on a case yesterday, been killed in her own home. But but I was so nervous and upset that I hut I was so nervous and upset that I couldn't take it. Then this morning an include or returning the body and Miss Adare, here, came to see me on a the description of those who accombusiness proposition and said Doctor plished it is of the utmost importance. Davis had spoken of me to her in con-Davis had spoken of me to her in con- the store mused, "two men and nection with it. I didn't recognize her a woman and a limousine; there's

as the young woman who had rushed nothing very definite about that, is with the policeman into the Hartshorne there? I wish to goodness I'd been in house and I believed her."

shadow. Her hair seemed dark under you recognize, but the strangers. Don't | like foam. Its shimmering length was the lamp, but I couldn't be sure. I've told you everything about it that I re-member and could swear to, Mr. Har-vey. May I go now? It's late and I-"Surely!" Her eyes glowed. "Leave Au odd, tremulous sigh floated out "Surely!" Her eyes glowed. "Leave Au odd, tremulous sigh floated out of Surely !" Her eyes glowed. "Leave

vey. May I go now? It's late and I-I'm too nervous to talk about it any it to me, Mr. Harvey! If there's a more." "Yes, I think I have enough informa-

tion now to work on." Paul rose and retary for the rest of my days, held out his hand. "This would have you don't think those people been of inestimable benefit to me had you come forward sooner, but thank you there, do you?" for telling me now, at any rate; you have cleared up one or two obscure points very nicely for me, Miss Bayne."

The young woman shook his hand, morrow. bowed coldly to Rose Adare and de When the emphatic thud of the parted. street door reached their ears Paul turned with a smile of warm congratula tion to his hostess.

'May I ask what business propo sition you suggested to that young person and what stroke of positive genius put you on her trail?'

Rose laughed heartily. "I wanted her to start a rest cure As he sat in the latter's office in the with me-a sort of private sanitarium. She to treat the sick-heaven help them -and I to manage the finances. Then before him. her face grew grave. "I began think ing after 1 left you yesterday morning, Mr. Harvey. I was wondering who on hat street would be likely to have been up during the night, and all of a I remembered that when I first saw Mrs. Hartshorne's body and ran out in the street to find a policeman first stood looking down on it! there was a doctor's landaulet in front of the ouse opposite. It was still there papers make about it ! I tell you we've when I looked out of the drawing-room while I waited for you and Paul nodded.

Chief Burke to send for me nearly two later. 1 thought somebody must have been very ill over there to doctor that long, and it struck me that if any one in all that street had

en awake and stirring when Mrs. felt as if I ought to come forward Hartshorne came home it would be some in that house. 'After I left Mrs. Cowles yesterday I walked through Farragut street. The

landaulet was there again and 1-I got horne left the Ledyard house or when. "I found out the doctor's you won't find that out with comingly. name and office hours, and late yeskind of a pain which he couldn't diag-nesse, but he was most helpful in other liberty of telephoning to her in your I asked how the little Fraser name and I'd like to have you hear

boy was, saying I knew the family, and what she has to say. After he spoke of the relapse and the night you like, I'll drop the method I've been nurse leaving. He mentioned her name, working ou and take my orders from and just on an off chance I looked her yon, sir. She is late-no, she's com-

was masterly. Chief Burke has no one "That it must have been her dead "That it must have been her dead body which they carried into the house body which they carried into the house 'Nonsense!" She flushed again, Bose Adare, who was search at it probably wouldn't happen again in a thousand years. But I don't believe

And you still nearland to be of help to you as I thought it would, the w?'' Mirs Bayne hung her head fore, didn't you? You weren't surprised for a moment and then looked up de-for a moment and then looked up de-fantly. "It wouldn't have done any Hartshorne's dead body that had been

couldn't take it. Then this morning and method of returning the body and an engagement. "Still," Rose mused, "two men and huge leather armchair.

guilty conscience in the crowd and 1 until Paul asked: don't spot it I'll stick to being a sec- "Do you recogn "Do you recognize this, Miss Led-But yard?'

you don't think those people who brought the body home would venture but hushed as though she were waiting. "No," responded Paul as he shook 'Is this not a portion of a scarf

hands once more. "I think they will which belonged to you?" find themselves otherwise engaged to "No. I have never-

"Miss Ledyard, some of your servants are faithful to you, loyal even to the positively refused to be pretty. extent of abetting a felony, but you However, the two Susans imm Where Death Lurked made a mistake on Saturday night when hunted the place for a suitable hus-THE inquest on Monday morning was not a protracted one and resulted to the familiar noncommittal verdict of you dismissed Louise, your maid, for disobedience in leaving the cloakurder by a person or persons unknown. room where she was stationed during Paul did not produce the later evidence the dance, and permitted her- to rewhich he had obtained from the remove this damaging bit of evidence. She luctant Miss Bayne, nor had he as yet sitively identifies this scarf as yours taken Chief Burke into his confidence

early afternoon the vials of official dis-"You have just supplied the motive, ontent and chagrin were poured out dilf. her. "It's not that I blame you, Paul, ant-

chief assured him gloomily. "But that inquest was the biggest fizzle in w the history of the department! Three w bat it is-before, in my life." days since the body was discovered and

Nevertheless it was found stuffed we have done no more than when we behind the radiator in your boudoir. An Wait effort had been made to burn it, pretill you hear the holler the evening mably in your bathtub, for the odor entirely upon society and announced to got to do something, and do it quick."

end has been partially consumed." "Farming !" exclaimed the mid-Vie-Paul's voice was stern. "There can be torian Susau the first. "Why, that's a "I know," he assented patiently. "Has any report come in yet on that missing girl, Sadie Mullen?" no question as to these stains, Miss man's job !"

"None whatever." the chief responded with emphasis. "You're on the wrong track about her, my boy. She's the only one who holds the key to the situation

-and we've let her slip through our fingers ! We don't care how Mrs. Harts- lies-

into conversation with the chauffear." What we want to know is who got into go upon such a grim, noctural errand, Miss Adare had the grace to blush most her own house and killed her. And Miss Ledyard, you should not choose upon such a grim, noctural errand, farming by night.

of investigation you've been following." -- like myself-as to possess an in-"Maybe not," Paul admitted, with firmity which renders him distinctive, fairly good education came from a fessional call on him. I-I had a queer his eyes on the clock. "I'm expecting even under the rays of a street lamp,"

"What do you mean?" Her voice was hoarse and shaken except on business. now, but her small head was proudly

erect. "I mean that you, your butler Hick- affair between the third Susan and her days of readjustment to post-war con-She is late-no, she's com- son and his son, William, your chaufup in the nurses' directory and went ing now. Don't expect too much, it is feur, conveyed the body of Mrs. Hartsare her this morning. The minute only one of the society crowd Mrs. horne from your home to hers, and Susan the farmer and her superintend-I began talking to her and saw how Hartshorne traveled with, but I think placed it where it was later discov- ent to go to town on a business trip. shied away from any mention of she can corroborate a certain theory of cred!" Pauls advanced slowly, step by On the way back they had many break-

hol, and I was posite those other people no pistol shot while those other people were in the house or even after they had were in the house or even after they had driven away. I thought of nothing else driven away. I thought of nothing else were in the truth finally came "Wiss Adars" Paul check for her had many break-tors of the spoke the door opened and a she can corroborate a certain theory of mine." As he spoke the door opened and a she door opened and a she door opened and a threshold. Clad in purple velvet with before midnight until after 2 o'clock "As more spoke the first as a glowing cluster of violets against her subles, and toque of the same rich hue brayed and you supped and danged soles, and toque of the same rich hue gratitude to you, but I can tell you how much I admire what you have done. It most regal as she stood silently regard- where it had fallen, among the orchids about it. ing them with a calm, disdainful gaze. "Good afternoon, Miss Ledyard." said Paul suavely. "Allow me to prein the conservatory which had been "Yes," chimed in Susan the locked by your orders! I mean that "You naughty, naughty girl! sent Chief Burke. The chief is anx-

jous to learn what you know of last Thursday night's event." Ignoring him, she bowed coldly to the stout figure which had arisen affably from behind the desk.

"I am at a loss to understand your message, Mr. Burke." Her tones were even and metallic. "We-my father and all of us-have done all in our power

that we know absolutely nothing of the broke into tearing sobs. tragedy, but he has persisted in annoying us. I have come as you requested. but I must beg you to be brief; I have

Sit here, please, Miss Ledyard. spoke again The chief gallantly rolled forward a

boredom, she seated herself and loosened urs about her throat

By Mildred Lavoie An odd, tremulous sigh floated out of Sufan the third, often lamented for super the tense air, but there was silence Susan the second, aunt of Susan the

third. They had expected to find a nice, "No." Her tone was still even, pretty, little girl who idled about in a hammock devouring chocolates and reading love stories. But instead, they

DAILY NOVELETTE SUSAN THE THIRD

found a rather plain girl, a triffe over and plain, tailored clothes, and who

However, the two Susans immediately band for their rather indifferent niece,

comes from the very best of people and and even told me the name of the shop where it was purchased." pendent. Now, do be nice to him."

But although Susan the third did try The word of a discharged servr. The word of a discharged serv-ad ?' she shrugged. ''I was about were not suited to each other. Then sat down where he could look at the senemy of mine and tried to kill me,'' the other out of the clay and up on barked Johnny Bull to his friend. As and never seen the scarf-if that is George; but it all ended the same way- truck.

with me? If you believe a servant's not alter Susan's determination. In due time she was running her own farm "I have another witness. When you by the day and reading literature on

But Susan the third soon discovered chauffeur who is unfortunate enough that she needed a superintendent, so a like myself-as to possess an in- young man of refined appearance and nearby agricultural college to fill the

position. He was a very businesslike person, and had very little to say D it mighty easy to misrcad them. And because the Aunt Susans had little else to do, they framed up a love

superintendent. One day it became necessary for

"Yes," chimed in Susan the second. yon, Beatrice Ledyard, killed the knew that this was coming when I woman who had supplanted you,"" watched you both around the place."

tore its way from her distorted lips was in amazement, at first not quite commore like that of some wild beast than prehending what they were saying. Let us suppose that a company says human, and like a tigress she crouched. Then suddenly the true situation came that they make only two cents profit

her tawny eyes blazing. "Stop! I to light. Without a word, except a out of every dollar. That does not can't bear it! I shall go mad, mad!" scornful little laugh at the absurd sup-Then all at once her tense form re- position, she hastened off to her room. dividend after paying all expenses. laxed and she crumpled in her chair But the next day the rumor that she to convince your special investigator with a high, thin, wailing cry which and Mr. Dodd were engaged had spread anticipate turning over their goods every appear.

all over the town. The chief, with lax jaw and pro-She was embarrassed, so was Mr. year they turn over their capital intruding eyes, was staring at her like Dodd; but they both stood the test well. one in a trance. Paul waited until "I am sorry," she told him. "But the storm had spent itself before he you see how absurd it all is? However, selling of the commodity. it would shock my aunts too much if have a hundred dollars and trade with

"I can go into details, if you like; they knew the truth. So for their sakes it. I buy a hundred dollars' worth of uge leather armchair. With an expression of the uttermost all that you did—" we must be deceitful, for a while, at least." I now a number donars worth of the uttermost all that you did—"

(Cranky Jimkins and Laughing Man race their motortrucks for fortune. Cranky Jimking gets ahead when Laughing Man stops to do kindness to persons in need. Finally Cranky Jimkins gets stuck in a clay hole.)

Laughing Man Gives a Tow **ARANKY** JIMKINS turned a sou Gace toward Laughing Man's passengers when they made fun of him bethe average height, who were flat heels cause his truck was stuck in the clay hole

"Get out of the way and let m by," jokingly shouted the Laughing Man. At that an evil grin took th place of the sour look on Cranky Jim kin's face.

"Jimmie is such a nice boy, my "If I can't win, you can't win," threw it over Balky Sam's head. dear," Susan the first would say. "He he answered. "You can't get by me." Bafky Sam was surprised, but didn't So it seemed. His truck was stuck try to jerk away. He was a good Cranky Jimkins, right in the middle of the road, and fellow, and when he found he had been it to his machine.

> But now a new joker arrived on the was a good puller, and the truck be- Jimkins did the same with his enscene. It was Balky Sam, the army gan to move forward. mule. He galloped up the bank and "Bow-wow! Stop! That chap is an

"Hee-haw! Hee-haw! What fun!" Balky Sam didh't seem to hear him and unbooked the tow rope. But did Cranky Jimkins say

mule talk, but he seemed to know Balky Johnny Bull, and at that Balky Sam Field.

and smoke were remarked upon by your mother when she entered your apart-inter when she entered your apart-inter when she entered your apart-farm. mething to throw at the saucy mule. soft clay at the side of the road. That passengers. He couldn't see anything but a long put Cranky Jimkins in a worse fix not win the fortune. Drive on, Laughtow rope that was a part of the truck's than before, and to prevent his using ing Man." outfit. When his eyes lighted upon Balky Sam to help him Johnny Bull

weighted upon being status, Miss main's job." "Why, that's shocking!" ejaculated that tow rope Cranky Jimkins had snapped at the tow rope and gnawed that tow rope cranky Jimkins had it apart with his teern. "Certainly not! What has it to do But the two horrified Suans could it apart with his teern. "Certainly not! What has it to do But the two horrified Suans could it apart with his teern. "The the a knot in the rope and made it apart with his teern. "Ho, ho, ho! Now I can get by."

started his truck forward. He picked his way cheerfully and kept his w going steadily and so he went right over the bad clay spot, crept around Cranky Jimkins's ditched truck and moved forward to the solid ground beyond "Yah! Yah! Yah! Stuck in the mud! Stuck in the mud! Now Laughing Man will best you to the home of Farmer Field," jeered the little old woman, the lame boy and the men and women who had been picked up. The Laughing Man didn't feer. In-stead he stopped his truck and unfastened a wire tow rope from a rack it the side. "I'll not leave any one stuck in the

He whirled the loop

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"THE LAUGHING MAN"

mud even if he is a rival seller," he said to the surprise of the others and loop around his head and whizz, he also to their admiration. He booked one end of the tow rope to his own truck and tossed the other end Cranky Jimkins, who cagerly hitched

Laughing Man couldn't possibly get caught he cheerfully set about pulling "Now ready," cried Laughing Man. around it without getting stuck, too. Cranky Jimkins out of the mud. He He turned on all his power and Cranky gine, and with a great grumbling and roaring Laughing Man's truck pulled the other out of the clay and up on Man's truck pulled

Susan was bored by them, and they were bored by Susan. So Susan the third turned her back Utinth mere bored to Susan the third turned her back Struck. I never get stuck in the clay." So Susan the third turned her back Struck and super stuck in the clay." So Susan the third turned her back Struck and super stuck in the clay." So Susan the third turned her back Struck and super stuck in the clay." So Susan the third turned her back Struck and super stuck in the clay." So Susan the third turned her back Struck and super stuck in the clay." So Susan the third turned her back Struck and super stuck in the clay." Sum's way. "Don't drag him out, Star is truck and stuck and s But did Cranky Jimkins "Thank

"But Cranky Jin kins will

(Tomorrow will be told how Laughing Man does another act of kindness and gains an unexpected reward.) -

## THE BUSINESS DOCTOR By HAROLD WHITEHEAD

#### Author of "The Business Career of Peter Flint" and "Brone Duke-Solver of Business Problems"

capital the company could declare a | ing and if they have schools of instruc-SOME one once said that figures can-dividend of 40 per cent and have a small tion, don't you think that the small concern could safely copy the lead of margin of 1.60 per cent on hand. not lie. Perhaps they can't, but It such successful organizations?

And this all out of the "trifling" profit of two cents on every dollar received

it mighty easy to misread them. For instance, during these bewildering days of readjustment to post-war con-ditions, we read a lot about the high cost of living and of the sins of profiteers who are blamed for the dwindling value of two conts on every dollar received the gauged in its relation to the number of turnovers made during a year. A concern which turns over its capital twice a year (this is about capital twice a year (this is about the property. Can I have it taken off the records any can I have it taken off the records any

downs, and it was nearly midnight be-fore they returned. Of course, the two elder Susans were up waiting for her. "Ah, my dear!" cried the first as her nicce entered the room followed by product, and what a miserable sliver of the dollar remains with them after of the dollar remains with them after of the generation of the same profit per turnover. "Ab a my dear!" cried the first as if it made the same profit per turnover, Get this distinction clear in your I am afraid I cannot be of much help

mind and you'll have a truer underto you, for I do not answer legal questions. The danger of commenting on standing of figures relating to profits. legal questions is that facts have to be Readers' Questions Answered considered other than those first stated.

Mr. Whitehead will answer in this and advice offered on incomplete incolumn questions on marketing, buying. selling, advertising, letter-writing, busi ness education, and on matters pertaining to the choice of a vocation. All ques-

ing to the choice of a vocation. All quest to try to be your own attorney. A tions will be answered in the order of little knowledge of law is a very danreceipt. No anonymous correspondence will be acknowledged. Readers' initials only will be published. It will take gerous thing. Why don't you see some local lawyer only will be published. It will take from four to fifteen days for a reply to appear. It may be you could all your questions? It may be you could Dealers in perishable commodities

arrange with a worker in some real two weeks. That means that during the Do you believe in a firm's teaching sales-anship to its store clerks? G. R. V. estate concern to help you on these If such concerns as the National Cash matters. vested in merchandise twenty-six times.

(CONTINUED TOMORROW) By turnover is meant the buying and Register Company prepare books on sell-

formation is worse than useless.

Let me state that unless you have a

thorough knowledge of law it is foolish

## Family Is Foundation of Society

of the dollar. The obvious retort of the "profiteer"

of this profit as a return on the capital of the business, whereas it is the profit But I on each turnover of capital.

Double-Meaning Profit Figures

So many people do not thoroughly understand this difference that I'm us-"A-ah!" The snarling scream which Susan the third stared at her aunts ing this day's space to illustrate just what it means.

charge of the Fraser case and I was "I'm afraid we're not going to like glad he had recommended me because the answers to that riddle when we that showed he didn't hold me respon- learn them, Miss Adare." Then Paul's for little Donald's relapse, and tone lightened. "You will be adding the business proposition sounded feas- another to your list of professional acible enough," Miss Bayne continued. complishments now; that of detective. "We talked it over and Miss Adare in- My plainclothes brethren will have to "We talked if over and then we took a look to their laurels." wited me to lunch and then we took a look to their laurels." "I wish I could! I mean." shi walk and decided to have dinner ther. Nothing was said about the amended, "I wish I could do something at first, but speaking of Doctor more in this case. If any little point Davis I mentioned the Fraser case, and comes up that you think I could verify Miss Adare asked where they lived. for you, or if there's any snooping to I told her 'on Farragut street' it be done where I'd stand a better she ed to bring up the Hartshorne af- than a man, will you let me know?" fair quits naturally and before I knew "I will, indeed," Paul assented it I was telling her everything. She heartily, "By the way, you don't hapbrought me here and persuaded me pen to be going to the funeral tomorrow I am sure you have not quite forgotten." brought me here and promis-that I ought to tell you, too, promis-ing me faithfully that you wouldn't get "I don't happen to be staying away that I ought to tell you, too, prompt of the staying away nincance, but that I ought to tell you wouldn't get "I don't happen to be staying away bland impassivity. ing me faithfully that you wouldn't get if there's breath in my body!" retorted bland impassivity. Base promptly. "There's little "Mr. Harvey, "Wr. Harvey, "State and the such

about midnight, and that you atched over him for an hour or more

looked at him then and he was still fast asleep. It was the time for his medibut Doctor Davis had instructed me not to disturb Donald unless he were awake and restless." She paused. "I into the library a few minutes Inter, and I couldn't have slept very

there at the window before the sound of the motorcar aroused me, because when it had driven away again, I back to the sickroom to nald choking and called Miss Wray. It was only a quarter of 3; she put it en on the chart. I should say that drove up to Mrs. Hartsborne's door ween twenty minutes after and half-

ald you tell the color of the car

No. only that it was very dark. It at have been a high-powered, expencar, though, for the hood was extra ag and it looked massive, looming up o under the light from the street

You said that the woman who rode may in it was bareheaded and had on a may dark cloak. Did you catch a impas of her face under the lamp? you think you would know

Miss Bayne recoiled. Miss Bayne recoiled. "Mercy, no i" she gasped. "She was II and graceful, but you couldn't tell hether she was stout or thin muffled in that loose closk. And I never

that window instead of Miss Bayne! She spoke in an injured tone and Where do you suppose they killed poor Paul glanced at Rose, but the latter was Mrs. Hartshorne? Where could she rupted her. gazing demurely down at her folded have been those three hours after she

left the Ledyard dance and what posnds. "Poctor Davis was the physician in sessed her to slip away like that?" "Um afraid we're not going to like ments during the evening, for instance. Miss Ledyard raised her eyebrows.

"I assisted my mother to make the affair a success. I helped her receive and then danced, like the rest. Really, Mr. Harvey-"You danced until supper hour?"

"Certainly ; and afterward, until the affair broke up at 2 o'clock." her steadily. 'I don't know." The supercilious

don't remember.' "Please try to think, Miss Ledyard.

His tone was fraught with deep significance, but she returned his gaze in

"Mr. Harvey, it is impossible for won't, will you, Mr. Harvey? Fil never toos promptly. There's little "Mr. Harvey, it is impossible for lying there among the orchids, her pistol is, I wished it be careless on another case, and I've enough I can do to show respect to the me to recall such a detail. I do not clutched in her hand and a hideous stain affair at all." woman who's been kind to me! I sup- know that I entered the conservatory spreading on her breast!

"You won't get in any trouble, I pose the crowd that made so much of at all that night-"Now, to go back to that like the plague. I'm curious to see if scious effort; it was rather that her night. You say that your patient fell she had even one real friend among voiced died away in her closing throat began to whirl before me, when with a as if an iron hand had clutched her. in the music ceased. I pulled as if an iron hand had clutched her.

"I wish you'd he more curlous The chief bent forward so suddenly that sectore going to the library. Can you still." Paul suggested. "Go early, get a his swivel chair squeaked a protest, seat about the center of the church on Paul had taken from his coat pocket a "It was after half-past 1, because I the main isle, if you can, and watch the paper packet. Unfolding it he dis people; leave before the end of the closed a fragment of a woman's scarf. service and wait in the vestibule to It was a delicate opalescent, silky thing see them come out. Not only those of palest sea-green with a silvery tinge

"I have already told Mr. Harvey-" she began, but the younger man inter- all true, except the charge that I killed where he had a special class in agri "It is what you have not told me

her! I did not; she must have killed culture.

"I shall be sorry to see you go, herself! How you discovered the rest that we wish to hear now," he said with quiet firmness. "Your own move-never have betrayed me. We thought our fund him, "and very sorry about never have betrayed me. We thought our fund him, "and very sorry about never have betrayed me. We thought our funny make-believe engagement. we had arranged it all so carefully, But I shall not hold you bound to any

safeguarded it from any possible dis- thing so ridiculous any longer." And covery. I had no animosity toward Mrs. she handed him the little ring which Hartshorne ; I had given her no thought he had given her to seal their make save to doubt the wisdom of our sanc- believe engagement. tion of her with no knowledge of her antecedents, "Susan," he said, "I have wapted to tell you right along that I have not

cents. I saw her enter with the Gaylors been make-believing. I was really sin-"Miss Ledyard, did you enter the leave her cloak. When she came down course I knew you couldn't want a felconservatory before supper?" He eyed I nodded to her as I told you, and went low like me. I am plain and common

on dancing. I didn't even think of and just ordinary, while you are clever, her again, I swear it! More than an capable and self-efficient. I am very lock was gone now, but a mask had hour later-it must have been about glad to have taken part in even a dropped over her stiffened features. "I a quarter to twelve-I slipped into the make-believe affair which involved you onservatory alone. I was warm and And I shall never forget you." fatigued and the lights and noise of that "Then if you don't want to you don't

jazz band had made me dizzy; I wanted have to," calmly replied Susan. a moment's respite in the cool, com- once thought you were all business and paratively fresher air. I started toward agriculture, but now I know different. capital. a beach-when all at once I saw her I-I often hoped you felt that way, that

lying there among the orchids, her pistol is, I wished it wasn't a make-believe "You do ! Do you really mean it?"

"I screamed, I think, but the blare "I certainly do." of the orchestra drowned my voice. I "Then our engagement may be concould feel myself sway and everything tinued, may it not?"

"Yes, that is, provided you promise inal blast the music ceased. I pulled not to tell my punts about the first myself together, somehow, and turning, proposal. It would shock them to ran to the door leading to the ballroom death if they knew that they did the of

with only one thought in my mind; to proposing." "All right, then, I promise." keep any one from entering until I had decided what to do." The next complete novelette-"Biscuits

(CONTINUED TOMORROW)

"For God's sake, no!" She threw And as the summer faded into autumn my capital in a week. If I then buy my capital in a week. If I then buy pattern in the family, which is the unit but rather the fuller development of mr. Dodd announced the fact that he more bananas and sell them again at pattern in the family, which is the unit but rather the fuller development of social life. The family is the true unit a blow. "I'll tell you myself! It's would soon have to return to college, the same speed, I have a turnover of all true, except the charge that I killed where he had a special class in agri- fifty-two times during the year." thing depends on the nature and ideals of fellowship.

them within a week I have turned over

That is, I use my capital fifty-two of that small society founded on the times during the year. Now let's come back to our dealers basis of a common life. Nothing is who make but two cents on the dollar- more important than men's conception family life have been the readiest to but turn over that dollar twenty-six of the privileges, the duties, and the acknowledge the claims of that faith. times during the year ! claims which come to them as members

The amount of profit each dollar of of this special group, created by a tianity cannot be understood except by capital invested in commodities will higher will than theirs, in the most in- those who acknowledge the dominant earn them is not two cents, but twenty- timate relation which human life can realities of family life. The terms in six times that amount, or fifty-two give. Here are found alike the most satisfying joys and the sternest demands

Think of it, fifty-two cents profit on of self-sacrifice. In this circle men exthe invested capital! Fifty-two per perience the highest happiness and the cent profit for the stockholders! most poignant sorrows. The heights Wouldn't you like to hold some such and depths of human life are reached stock, especially when we know that in the home.

If we begin by attempting to love 6 per cent or 7 per cent is the avermen in the mass we miss the significance age return on investments? When the stock is held principally and force of the deepest and truest afby "the interests" who control the fection. We give to others, not the business, we can see who makes money. True, profit must not be judged by the the best, the service of an ordered most fully realized when men know turnover, but by the earning on invested kindliness. Rousseau, Robespierre and sacred bonds of love for others in the Kant failed in their different ways he-

So as to prevent a misunderstanding, cause in their theory of philanthropic let me add that all invested capital is fellowship they ignored the worth of not involved in turnover. Much capital family life. They thought of men as is locked up in equipment and plants. individuals, as if each man came to full life has been ennobled and purified. For the sake of argument, let us grant that one-fifth of the capital is locked as is the fact, that each soul is born may venture the assertion that the up in equipment.

That means that on every \$100 of rived from his ancestors, and must be most surely tested by the character of capital, eighty dollars are used for affected by the dominating influences our homes. There we give expression of his family relations. If that eighty dollars earns .2 per-Piato, on the other hand, who

cent on every turnover, it earns \$1.60. founded his theory of political life on other sphere can its power be shown so On a twenty-six time turnover the the basis of the state, fell into the op- beautifully and so persuasively. eighty dollars earns \$41.60. posite error, scarcely less unsatisfactory Therefore, on a hundred dollars of than the individualistic theory of so- live in other communities devoted to the

Christianity has given the home new sanction, dignity and purpose. Those nations which have been most loyal to Indeed, it may be asserted that Chris which its revelation is framed are derived from the home. The declaration that God is the Father can only be appreciated by those to whom fatherho is recognized as a sacred status. The revelation of the Divine Son has its significance only in so far as men have learned what sonship implies in their relation to him from whom they have sprung and to whom they are bound by a responsive affection. Similarly homage of an equal fellowship, but, at Divine Spirit, the Spirit of Unity, is unity of a common birth.

Not only has the home been the seed plot of the faith, but wherever Christianity has been operative there family maturity in his own powers, and not, This is true to such a degree with strongly marked characteristics de- measure of our faith as Christians is to such faith as we have. There we manifest its operative force. In n and women have left their families to service of religion, and we must knowledge their devotion and the high service they have rendered to the world. But no fellowship can be so deeply religious or so pure a sphere of piety as the Christian home. Its fellowship is from God. It is more than a phrase to speak of the kindred points of heaven and home.

If affection and loyalty begins at ome, and it must begin there if it exists at all, it may not end there. Love of home and family may be deep but narrow, and thus being perverted, it fails in its fruit, which is the wider fellowship of that higher relation of the protherhood of all men. The church is the family grown larger and more complete. It is the household of faith. If this were kept in mind and adopted as the norm of Christian fellowship the difficulties of reunion would vanish in he solvent of our requickened sense of protherhood.

The home is the woman's realm. she lose her influence there she forfeits the highest grace of life. Nothing can compensate for it. The enlarged liberty of opportunity which has come to vomen in our time is no adequate ex change for that gracious ministry of the home which in its gentle royalty in e crown of woman's life.-

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