



CHAPTER VI.—THE REVELATION. Wednesday, continued.—When Mr. Dix told Phoebe Dole how he had committed the murder, he and I were sitting in the kitchen. He was near the table, he laid a sheet of paper upon it, and began to write. The paper is before me.

"First," said Mr. Dix, and he wrote as he talked, "whom arm is of such length that it might unlock and lock a certain door of this house from the outside? Phoebe Dole."

"Third, who interested herself most strangely in your blood-stained green silk dress, even to dyeing it?" Phoebe Dole.

"Fourth, who was caught in a lie, while trying to force the guilt of murder upon an innocent man? Phoebe Dole."

"Fifth, who was seen to throw a bundle down the old well, in the rear of Martin Patbanks' house, at 1 o'clock in the morning?" Phoebe Dole.

"Was she seen?" I gasped, Mr. Dix nodded. Then he wrote: "Sixth, who had a strong motive, which had been in existence many years ago?" Phoebe Dole.

"Mr. Dix laid down his pen and looked at me again. 'Well, what have you to say?'" "It is impossible!" "Why?" "She is a woman."

"A man could have fired that pistol, as she tried to do." "It would have taken a man's strength to kill with the kind of a weapon that was used here." "No, it would not. No great strength is required for such a blow."

"But she is a woman!" "Crime has no sex." "But she is a good woman, a church member. I heard her pray yesterday afternoon. It is not in character."

head, and saying soothing things to me, and the old friendly faces had returned. But I wish I could forget! They have taken Phoebe Dole away—I only know that. I cannot bear to talk any more about it. When I think there must be a trial, and I must go!

A month later—I have just heard that Phoebe Dole has died in prison! This is my last entry. May God help all other innocent women in hard straits as He has helped me.

NEWS OF OUR INDUSTRIES.

Happenings of Interest to the Simple Trades and Particularly to the Trade in Iron, Steel and Anthracite Coal.

The extraordinary increase of value in iron or steel when worked up into half-springs in watches is without parallel. Fifteen thousand half-springs can be made out of one pound of steel, or, taking the value of one half-spring of steel at the current market, by this process made 45,000 times more valuable than before.

Carnegie is said to be making steel freight cars with a capacity of 30,000 pounds. This is crowding the limit of rolling weights, and while it is unquestionably true that modern bridges and roadbeds will stand up under heavier engines than this, it is probable that superintendents will put on their thinking caps and shake their heads gravely over a proposition that includes the hauling of trains with forty tons in each car plus the weight of the car itself.

The United States is undoubtedly ahead of England and France in the designing of engines and dynamos. Engines were found running over in that country with what we would consider practically no governor, that is, with slow-moving governing governors. The steam turbines, both of the Parsons and De Laval make, are simplicity and efficiency. The Parsons machines run at high speed in some English stations without vibration and were not even bolted down. The steam turbine, it is now thought, is likely to become an important factor in the electrical field.

In both rheostats and electrical instruments, Mr. Leonard says we are ahead of the foreign practice. He thinks the craze for storage batteries as the universal panacea for electrical troubles is on the wane. The Electrical Engineer, however, in commenting upon Mr. Leonard's address, says no one is qualified to express an opinion on this subject who has not studied it upon the ground in Germany, which is the only country in which the storage battery has been given any extended trial in a large number of stations.

As illustrating the wide diversity of opinion upon this subject, it states that President Ingersoll of the Chicago Edison company, recently returned from Europe with his mind made up against any extension in Europe with the aid of the storage battery, while Mr. Edgar, of the Boston Edison company, was placing an order for prompt delivery of the biggest station battery outfit in the world—Providence Journal.

Structure Uniting New York and Brooklyn Heads the List. From the New York Sun. The very latest official computation puts the total cost of the Brooklyn bridge at \$17,489,855. The bridge, when contracted for was to cost \$10,800,000. At least, such was the original estimate of John A. Roebling, who, in 1867, put the cost of the bridge at \$7,000,000 and of the approaches to it, \$3,800,000. Actually, the bridge cost \$15,000,000, which was not much of an overestimate. The original figures when the difficulties of the undertaking came into account, the bridge not being opened until sixteen years after the original estimate was made. Subsequent expenditures, which have brought the total cost up to the present figure, are due to the acquisition of new approaches and the improvements upon the structure which were not and could not have been calculated upon when it was opened twelve years ago.

The Brooklyn bridge is the most expensive work of the kind in the world, exceeding in cost any other bridge of which authentic figures are available. The bridge over the Forth, in Scotland, cost \$14,000,000, the Victoria bridge in Canada cost \$12,000,000, the bridge across the Volga at Saratov, in Russia, cost \$4,000,000. The cost of London bridges was \$10,000,000, the Waterloo bridge \$5,500,000, and of the Westminster bridge \$2,500,000.

With the enormous increase of viaduct work for railroad purposes in the United States, the profession of "bridge builder" has become a very important one, and iron and steel have largely superseded masonry, since by improved processes in their manufacture, structural iron and steel have materially decreased in cost.

THE WORLD OF BUSINESS.

STOCKS AND BONDS.

New York, Aug. 8.—Transactions at the Stock Exchange today were only 114,000 shares. The changes in prices except in rare cases were on a par with the transactions and as a rule were confined to the fractions. At the start the market was rather firm, but soon thereafter Sugar, and General Electric and the Grangers were sold by the traders and prices ran off 1/4 to 1/2 per cent. This was followed by a period of almost absolute stagnation, which was succeeded in turn by a movement to cover in Manhattan and Sugar. The former on this buying rose 1/4, and the latter 1/2. The other prominent issues called in especially by children are to firm. As compared with Wednesday's closing the net changes were fractional either way, Manhattan, however, gained 1/4, while Erie preferred, which is rarely dealt in, left off 1/4 per cent. lower.

The range of today's prices for the active stocks of the New York stock market are given below. The quotations are furnished The Tribune by G. du B. Dimmock, manager for William Linn, Allen & Co. stock brokers, 412 Spruce street, Scranton.

Table with columns: Am. Tobacco Co., Am. Cot. Oil, Am. Sugar Ref. Co., etc. Includes various stock prices and market data.

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Table with columns: CHICAGO BOARD OF TRADE PRICES, WHEAT, OATS, LARD, etc. Includes commodity prices.

Table with columns: Scranton Board of Trade Exchange On Quotations—All Quotations Based on Par of 100, STOCKS, Bid, Ask, etc. Includes local market data.

Table with columns: Scranton Wholesale, Fruits and Produce—Dried apples, prunes, raisins, etc. Includes wholesale prices.

Table with columns: New York Produce Market, Wheat—Firm, No. 2 red winter and elevator, etc. Includes produce market data.

Table with columns: Toledo Grain Market, Toledo, O., Aug. 8.—Wheat—Receipts, 48,000 bushels; shipments, 5,500 bushels, etc. Includes grain market data.

Table with columns: Chicago Live Stock, Chicago, Aug. 8.—Cattle—Receipts, 1,000 head; market, good firm, etc. Includes live stock prices.

Oil Market. Pittsburg, Aug. 8.—Oil closed at 35. the only quotation here today. Oil City, Aug. 8.—Oil opened and lowest, 35; highest and closed, 35.

BLESSINGS OF SOUND SLEEP. Hints for Mothers in the Care of Little Ones. Sleep is regarded as the time when only good arrives to the sleeper, and in case of adults this is so; with children, however, the matter is different. The actual fact of sleep is good, but the manner of sleep is not always so, by any means, for during these periods of repose a child may contract a habit of position which will cause a lasting derangement. In the first place, children are often put to sleep always on the same side. The mother finds them less restless so, and thoughtlessly lays them that way. Some times this restlessness is caused by physical defects; but it mainly arises from habit. No creature on earth is more liable to habits than a tiny, soft baby that you would think could possess any distinct quality. A mother, for some reason peculiar to herself, finds it most convenient to place the little one on its left side, we will say, for about three days; when the fourth day arrives mother baby decides there is something wrong if he be put on his right side, and forthwith begins to squirm and twist until he fidgets himself awake. Mammas places him on the other side, and he serenely settles himself.

Constantly lying on one side will make a difference in the size of the limbs upon that side, and will even cause that side of the face to remain smaller than the other. Children will also draw up one leg in their sleep. This, too, becomes a fixed habit, and by the time the child has learned to walk a difference in the length of the two lower limbs will be noticed, a misfortune which might have been avoided had the mother been careful to watch the habits of the sleeping baby. In the bringing up of children it is not so much the care over the things that counts, but the constant watchfulness against the "little foxes that destroy the vines."

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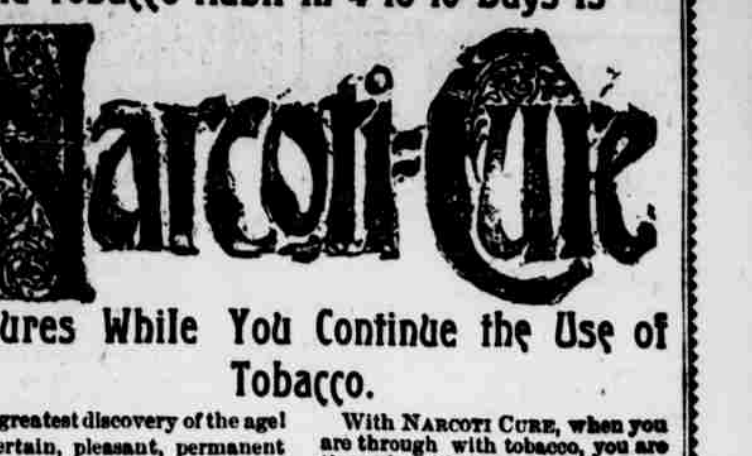
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