

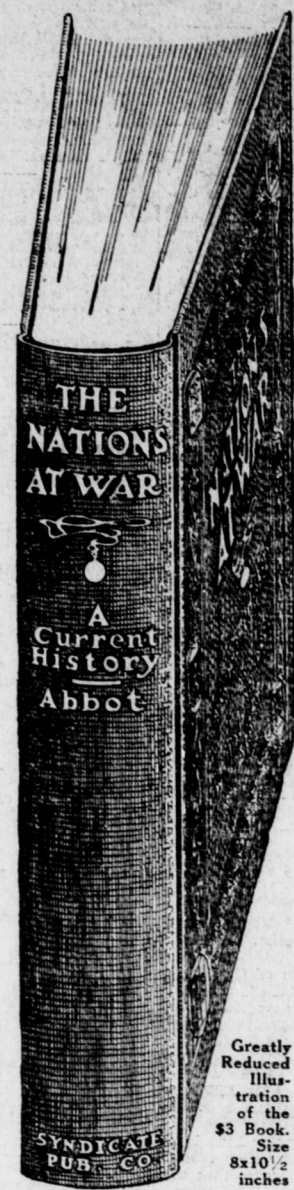
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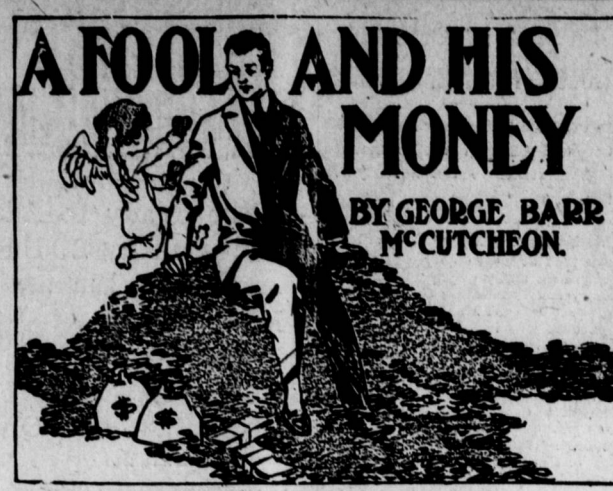
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"Certainly not," I cried vehemently. Turning to Poopendyke, I said: "Mr. Poopendyke, will you at once prepare a complete and emphatic denial of every word they have printed about me, and I'll send it to all the American correspondents in Europe. We'll cable it ourselves to the United States. I shall rest until I am set straight in the eyes of my fellow countrymen. The whole world shall know, countess, that I am for you, first, last and all the time. It shall know!"

"But you don't know who I am, Mr. Smart," she broke in, her cheeks very warm and rosy. "How can you publicly espouse the cause of one whose name you refuse to have mentioned in your presence?"

I dismissed her question with a wave of the hand. "Poopendyke can supply the name after I have signed the statement. I give him carte blanche. The name has nothing to do with the case so far as I am concerned. Write it, Fred, and make it strong."

She came up to me and held out her hand. "I knew you would do it," she said softly. "Thanks."

She not only came for dinner with us on Sunday, but made the dressing for my alligator pearl salad. We were besieged by the usual crowd of Sunday sightseers, who came clamoring at our stanch, re-enforced gates and anathematized me soundly for refusing admission. One bourgeoisie party of fifteen refused to leave the plaza until their return fares on the ferry barge were paid, stoutly maintaining that they had come over in good faith and wouldn't leave until I had reimbursed them to the extent of 50 hellers apiece, ferry fare. I sent Britton out with the money. He returned with the rather disquieting news that he had recognized two of Mr. Pless' secret agents in the mob.

"I wonder if he suspects that I am here," said the countess, paling perceptibly when I mentioned the presence of the two detectives outside my gates was not to be taken too lightly.

CHAPTER XIV.
I Am Invited to Spend Money.

SHORTLY after 9 o'clock the next morning a sly-faced man in overalls accosted me in the hall.

"I beg your pardon, Mr. Smart," he said in fairly good English. "May I have a word with you? I have a message from Mr. Pless. I am an agent of the secret service. Yesterday I failed to gain admission as a visitor, today I come as a laborer."

"Is it necessary for Mr. Pless to resort to a subterfuge of this character in order to get a message to me?" I demanded indignantly.

"It was not necessary yesterday, but it is today," said he. He leaned closer and lowered his voice. "Our every movement is being watched by the countess' detectives. We are obliged to resort to trickery to throw them off the scent. Mr. Pless has read what you had to say in the newspapers, and he is too grateful, sir, to subject you to unnecessary annoyance at the hands of her agents. He would have you to meet him secretly tonight at the Rempp hotel across the river. It is most important that you should do so and that you should exercise great caution. I am to take your reply 'back to him.'"

For an instant I was fairly stupefied. Then I experienced a feeling of relief so vast that he must have seen the gleam of triumph in my eyes. The trick was mine, after all.

"You may tell Mr. Pless that I shall be there at 9," said I. The agent departed. When he was safely out of the room I explained the situation to Poopendyke and then made my way through the secret panels to the countess' rooms.

She was ready for the subterranean journey in quest of treasure attired in a neat walking skirt, with her bony hair encased in a swimming cap as a guard against cobwebs.

"Then you don't intend to send out the statements?" she cried in disappointment. "You are going to let every one think you are his friend and not mine?"

I stood over her, trying my best to scowl. "You know better than that. You know I—I am as loyal as—as can be. Hang it all! I burst out impulsively. "Do you suppose for a minute that I want to hand you over to that infernal rascal now that I've come to that is to say, now that we're such ripping good friends?"

She looked up at me very pathetically at first. Then her expression changed swiftly to one of wonder and the most penetrating inquiry. Slowly a flush crept into her cheeks, and her eyes wavered.

"—I think I can trust you to do the right thing by me," she said, descending to a banality in her confusion.

I baid out my hand. She laid hers in it rather timidly, almost as if she was afraid of me. "I shall not fail you," said I without the faintest intention to be heroic, but immediately conscious of having used an expression so trite that my cheek flamed with humilia-

satisfactory. Take your time, sir. I appreciate that it requires time to arrange for the"—

I held up my hand with a rather lofty air. "Was it one hundred and fifty thousand that you mentioned or?"

"That was the amount," said he, a sudden glitter in his eyes.

I studied the ceiling with a calculating squint, as if trying to approximate my balance in bank. He watched me closely, almost breathlessly. At last, unable to control his eagerness, he said:

"At the usual rate of interest, you understand."

"What security can you give, Mr. Pless?" I demanded in a very business-like way.

"Oh, you Americans!" he cried, his face beaming with premature relief. "You will pin us down, I see. I do not wonder that you are so rich. I shall give you my personal note, Mr. Smart, for the amount secured by a mortgage—a supplementary mortgage—on the Chateau Tarnowsky."

Tarnowsky! Now I remembered everything. Tarnowsky! The name struck my memory like a blow. What a stupid dolt I had been! The whole world had rung wedding bells for the marriage of the Count Maris Tarnowsky, scion of one of the greatest Hungarian houses, and Aline, the nineteen-year-old daughter of Gwendolen and Jasper Titus of New York, Newport, Tuxedo, Hot Springs, Palm Beach, and so forth—Jasper Titus, the banker and railway magnate, whose name as well as his hand was to be seen in every great financial movement of the last two decades!

My pleasant little mystery had come to a sharp and rather depressing end. A joyous enthusiasm had attended me while I worked in the dark; now a dreary reality stared me in the face. The sparkle was gone.

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We do not live by strength-giving elements altogether; some foods we enjoy because they are beautiful, and they are their own excuse for being, but gelatine desserts, salads, soups, meats in aspics and similar dishes are valuable from every standpoint.

One result to strive for in using gelatine is to have it brilliant and transparent. This necessitates using the best product and carefully following directions. Some makes require that they be made soft in cold water; others are dissolved in boiling liquids, so the only safe plan is to read the instructions and follow them.

Cooking does not thicken gelatine, so if you fail in your first attempt to use it, add more gelatine, but do not boil it in the hope it will gain body.

Most of the packages contain two ounces of gelatine, and this will make three pints of quivering jelly; if you want it somewhat firmer than this, use a little less liquid.

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glass, calves' feet, head and bones used to do. It needs only to be molded.

The mixture should be cold when it is poured into the mold, and should be placed in ice so the process will not seem tedious. One layer at a time is poured in and decorations are arranged so that when the gelatine is unmolded it will be right side up. When one layer is firm another is put on. This is rather intricate molding for a novice and some of the plain jellies should be made first.

Tomato macedoine is a handsome salad and easy to perfect: Remove center and seeds from small, firm tomatoes, but do not skin them. Fill the center with minced celery, cold boiled string beans, asparagus tips and peas mixed in mayonnaise dressing to which has been added an equal amount of aspic jelly. Heap some of this dressing on the top of each filled tomato also and set on ice until it is firm. Have lettuce leaves on cool salad plates, and when ready for this course dip a sharp, thin knife in boiling water and cut each tomato in half, place on the lettuce and serve with sandwiches.

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