

DESERTED POGRAM'S

"I wonder what's the matter at Pogram's," said Dave Hingham to his wife one morning as he stood in front of the house looking down over the corn to the rear of Pogram's farm.

"You jist mind your own business, Dave Hingham, an' let other people's alone. You know the trouble you got into by investigating the Partridge affair. Like enough Pogram's gone a-shootin' or somethin'."

"But that's such a deathly look about it. Pogram never leaves his place 'cept at reglar times. He lives thar all alone an' is jist in a condition for a first class murder. Now I think of it, night afore last I heard a shot in that direction right in the middle of the night an' somehow I felt as if a ghost had passed."

"Well, why don't you go down an' see about it?"

"Reckon I hain't got no time." The truth was that Hingham was a superstitious man, with a horror at coming upon anything ghostly. He could have gone down to Pogram's as well as not for all the work he did on his farm, for he was as lazy as he was superstitious.

Dave went the round of the farms that morning, spreading the news of a tragedy at Pogram's. The farmers could all look down on the deserted place, for Pogram's was in the valley—an open space through which the road ran—and knots of them gathered on the hills and speculated as to what was the matter. The Pogram farm had indeed an uncanny look about it.

The gate was open, as well as the back window; also the door of the stable where Pogram kept his horse and buggy. The overlookers compared notes as to when they had last seen Pogram, and Deacon Huston's date was the latest, three days before, when he had met Pogram walking along the road very much dejected.

Still no one had yet been found with sufficient nerve to go down and face the corpse. The white curtain in the rear window continued to flap, as much as to say, "Why don't you come?"

"Oh, I don't take no interest in the matter," said Dave, blanching. "I'm goin' to work."

But Dave had called attention to the tragedy and dwelt upon it and stirred it up till his neighbors began to hold him responsible. Ike Merton and Tom Markley boldly told Dave that, since he had first noticed the stillness about Pogram's, he was the person to investigate the cause.

"Serves you right, Dave," said his wife, who understood his natural disinclination at facing unpleasant scenes. "Ef you hadn't said nothin' about it, you'd 'a' been let alone."

The three men started down the hill. Dave in advance. He wanted the rear, but Ike Merton had concluded to take his revolver, to be ready in case of an emergency, and playfully pointed it at the chosen leader, infusing into him the necessary stimulus.

"You take it," said Ike, handing him the revolver. "I hain't no shot no-how."

Dave staggered on, pausing at the stable door. Pogram's horse and buggy, the only occupants, were gone.

"They've cleaned out the stock, shore enough," said Tom Markley. "See the tracks of the buggy," said Ike.

"Go on, Dave," said both, seeing that their leader was inclined to turn back.

Thus urged, Dave staggered to the house, and after several ineffectual efforts to gather sufficient courage to approach the open window he at last did so and, white as a sheet, looked in, his two companions peering over his shoulders.

"Whoop!" There were shouts from up the road, and the investigators, turning, saw Pogram's buggy, followed by several teams, coming at full speed. Pogram, who was dressed in his best Sunday suit, drove his own vehicle, beside him a young woman in a white muslin dress, with a veil and orange blossoms on her head, while behind was a bridal party of the friends of both.

"You, Dave Hingham, git away from my winder!" cried Pogram as he turned into the yard.

The mystery was solved. Pogram had been courting and the day the deacon saw him had been refused, but the girl had suddenly changed her mind, and Pogram had gone to be married.

When You "See Stars." The man who when struck violently on the head says he "saw stars" is not far from telling the truth. The fact is that there is a phosphorescent power in the eye which does not attract a person's attention under ordinary conditions, but which is distributed and reveals itself whenever the head gets a sudden shock and sometimes even in the act of sneezing.

An Odd Nugget of Gold. There have been many large and oddly shaped gold nuggets found in the United States and elsewhere, but the oddest of them all was that discovered at the Midhas mine, on Sulky gully, near Melbourne, Australia, in 1887. The nugget was flat and almost the exact counterpart in contour of a colossal human hand held open, with the exception of the thumb and forefinger, which were closed together in a manner so as to make it appear that the thumb was holding the finger in place.

Mme. Rejane at Rehearsal. Mme. Rejane at one of her rehearsals was endeavoring to impress upon a young actor the necessity of a tragic expression.

Balzac and Black Coffee. Balzac was addicted to the use of strong black coffee and depended upon it as a nervous stimulant during the hours which he devoted to composition. Its effect he has himself described in these words: "The coffee falls into your stomach. Immediately everything starts into action. Your ideas begin to move like Grand Army battalions on the battlefield, and the battle opens. Memories arrive at a run, standards flying; the light cavalry of comparisons breaks into a magnificent gallop; the artillery of logic dashes up and unlimbers; thoughts come rushing up as sharpshooters; characters spring up on all sides; the paper becomes covered with ink, for the struggle has begun and ends in torrents of black water like the battle in black powder."

Burns as a Tax Collector. In the olden days candles were taxed articles, and it was the duty of Robert Burns as an excise officer to see that the tax was not evaded. He generally looked the other way, however, as when passing through the kitchen one night at William Lorimer's of Keenishall, where the lodger was busy making candles, he merely remarked, "Faith, madam, ye're thrang the night, and passed into the parlor.—St. James' Gazette."

The Mountains Bother Them. The British have had heaps of trouble in Siam to make the natives understand that the world is round instead of flat. Indeed, the native teachers keep on teaching the children that it is flat, and when argued with they reply, "if it isn't flat why do the mountains stand up as they do instead of rolling downhill?"

A Financier's Observation. "He spends money like a prince," said the man who makes trite comparisons. "Perhaps," replied Mr. Dustin Stax, "only most members of royal families I have met in my banking experience are more anxious to borrow money than to disburse it."—Washington Star.

A Paradox. Little Willie—Say, pa, what is a paradox? Pa—Well, my son, a coal stove is one kind of paradox. It won't burn unless it is put up; then it won't burn until it is shaken down.—Chicago News.

A Difference. "I am told that Jones is a regular leech, is that true?" "No; I would hardly say that. A leech, you know, never gets stuck on himself."

WOMAN AND FASHION

Quaint Fashions in Vogue. "The smartest thing one can be this summer is quaint," says a fashion correspondent from the French capital. "The 'odd, fanciful, singular'—dictionary definitions of quaint—are those applicable to the present fashion. It is not exactly picturesqueness that is aimed at, but singularity. It amounts sometimes to untidiness, but more often to a fascinating and apparently unstudied neatness. The hats are quaint, any shape at all and worn right over the head, with just a little hair showing underneath at either side, often none showing in front. Then coats are quaint. I saw one severely tailored made opening over a transparent front of silk white tulle. The effect was as if the coat had been donned over a decollete gown. It was singular. A long racing coat of green velvet was braided across, hussar fashion, and then left open from the waist, showing a blouse of delicate laces. The effect was fanciful. There will be wild things done under this license of quaintness. On the other hand, we shall see wonderfully attractive real quaintness in dresses suiting pretty people and cleverly carried out."

Good Looking Models in Parasols. Black and white combinations are numerous and good looking. A simple and attractive morning parasol brought over by an importer is covered in silk with a white ground checked off by fine lines of black. A narrow plaited frill of black borders the cover, and some distance above this a three inch black ribbon runs around the parasol, threaded through eyelet holes embroidered in black.

A Cool Summer Gown. Blue organdie in the pretty shades seen this season with a white spot is chosen for this model, although challis or foulard would be a happy selection, and the sleeves may be short or long.



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The Dressy Hat. The very newest hats, strictly for dress occasions, have streamers that can be tied loosely under the chin or left hanging, as one wishes. These streamers are of broad ribbon or of black velvet that is introduced in some way in the hat trimming, the long ends being brought over the wide brim in a picturesque way. To tie the ribbon into a bow at the back of the head is a favorite way of arrangement, and the ends are allowed to hang free from there far down below the waist line.

To Replace the Swirl. A change in hairdressing is imminent. The swirl fashion is passing, and in its place a more natural head outline is coming. The latest thing is the wide velvet band that encircles the head and makes a finish for the chignon of curls that is the latest "trick." Some of these bands are made of finely incrustated jet beadwork, and all sorts of classic styles are being aped in bands embroidered with silver and gold. Another new style has the front hair waved in a natural manner and with a loose chignon of loose curls at the back. These curls are not massed, but are arranged in a light fluff that has the appearance of being natural.

AN UNSOLICITED TESTIMONY. This certifies that I am personally acquainted with H. C. Jackson who seeks the nomination and election for Representative of Wayne Co. on the Republican ticket. I believe him to be honest in business, upright in character; faithful to any trust committed to his care. Republicans will make no mistake to nominate him; Prohibitionists to endorse; and the voters of Wayne county will do themselves a credit to elect him. JOS. M. COLEMAN, Pastor M. E. Church, Damascus, Pa., May 24, 1910.

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Table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Resources include Reserve fund, Cash, specie and notes, Due from approved reserve agents, etc. Liabilities include Capital Stock paid in, Surplus Fund, Undivided Profits, etc.

State of Pennsylvania, County of Wayne, ss: J. H. Scott, Cashier of the above named Company, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true, to the best of my knowledge and belief. Signed: J. H. SCOTT, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 9th day of May 1910. (Signed: ROBERT A. SMITH, N. P. Notarial Seal)

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COURT PROCLAMATION.—Whereas, the Judge of the several Courts of the County of Wayne has issued his precept for holding a Court of Quarter Sessions, Oyer and Terminer, and General Jail Delivery in and for said County, at the Court House, to begin on MONDAY JUNE 20, 1910, and to continue one week;

And directing that a Grand Jury for the Courts of Quarter Sessions and Oyer and Terminer be summoned to meet on Monday, June 13, 1910, at 2 p. m. Notice is therefore hereby given to the Coroner and Justices of the Peace, and Constables of the County of Wayne, that they be then and there in their proper persons, at said Court House, at 2 o'clock in the afternoon of said 13th of June, 1910, with their remembrances, to do those things which to their offices appertain to be done, and those who are bound by recognizance or otherwise to prosecute the prisoners who are or shall be in the Jail of Wayne County, be then and there to prosecute against them as shall be just.

Given under my hand, at Honesdale, this 10th day of May, 1910, and in the 133d year of the Independence of the United States M. LEE BRAMAN, Sheriff. Sheriff's Office Honesdale, May 10, 1910.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF Farmers and Mechanics Bank, OF HONESDALE, WAYNE COUNTY, PA. at the close of business, May 20, 1910.

Table with columns for RESOURCES and LIABILITIES. Resources include Reserve fund, Cash, specie and notes, Due from approved reserve agents, etc. Liabilities include Capital Stock paid in, Surplus Fund, Undivided Profits, etc.

State of Pennsylvania, County of Wayne, ss: J. C. A. Emery, Cashier of the above named company, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. C. A. EMERY, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 7th day of May 1910. RENA S. EDGETT, N. P. Correct Attest: M. E. SIMONS, W. M. FOWLER, M. B. ALLEN, Directors.

OFFICE OF THE HONESDALE CONSOLIDATED LIGHT, HEAT AND POWER COMPANY—SPECIAL NOTICE TO STOCK-HOLDERS. The Board of Directors of this Company have called a special meeting of its stockholders to be held at the General office of the company, in the Borough of Honesdale, Pennsylvania, on the 14th day of July, 1910, at 3 o'clock, for the purpose of voting for or against an increase of the indebtedness of said company. M. B. ALLEN, Secretary.

PROFESSIONAL CARDS. Attorneys-at-Law. H. WILSON, ATTORNEY & COUNSELOR-AT-LAW, Office, Masonic Building, second floor Honesdale, Pa. W. M. H. LEE, ATTORNEY & COUNSELOR-AT-LAW, Office over post office, All legal business promptly attended to, Honesdale, Pa. E. C. MUMFORD, ATTORNEY & COUNSELOR-AT-LAW, Office—Liberty Hall building, opposite the Post Office, Honesdale, Pa.

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Dentists. DR. E. T. BROWN, DENTIST, Office—First floor, old Savings Bank building, Honesdale, Pa. Dr. C. R. BRADY, DENTIST, Honesdale, Pa. Office Hours— 10 a. m. to 10 p. m. Any evening by appointment. Citizens' phone, 33. Residence, No. 86-C.

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