A BORN DETECTIVE.

"Ah, Dr. Dotson! You are just in time. I may need your assistance."

Freebick Tomes put away his meerschaum and lighted a cheroot as I crossed the second floor front hall bedroom which he occupied.

"Another mystery?" I asked, for I had become accustomed to the lightning changes in his moods.

"Probably, and if I am not mistaken—and I never am—it is going to be an interesting one before we unravel the end."

Freebick Tomes puffed away at his cheroot for several minutes while he studied the movements of a fly crawling across the ceiling. I leaned against the falling bed and waited for him to proceed.

"There was a caller to see me this morning during my absence. This much I learned from the servant. Here I have no index to the character of the man and a pretty clear history of his trouble."

As Tomes spoke he picked up an umbrella.

"A few silver links in the chain of evidence are missing, but the man will no doubt be able to supply them when he returns at 8:45 o'clock, and with your assistance I expect to be able to clear up the whole matter in a couple of hours. You see, the fellow was somewhat nervous and embarrassed. That, added to a naturally carelessness and absentmindedness, caused him to bring his umbrella up under instead of leaving it in the rack below. His nervousness increased as he reached my door and he put it down in the hall. Of course he forgot it when he went away. I picked it up, and as a result of my examination of the article I expect to be able to surprise him when he returns."

"But what can you find out about a man by looking at his umbrella?" I asked.

"Everything!" replied Tomes with emphasis. "He bought it, which is something in favor. I know that, because there is no name inside. When a man borrows an umbrella, he always takes a good one, which is sure to have the owner's name stamped on the lining or handle. My caller purchased this at a bargain sale for $1.50, marked down from $2.50. That I learn from the fragment of the tag which I found caught in one of the ribs.

"It is an expensive one for him, as he is a clerk in a dry goods store at $11 a week, with the promise of an increase next year, but he is something of a fop, with a taste for costly articles. That he is a clerk in a dry goods store is clear to a novice like yourself. Yes, the duke are carefully adjusted and smoothed down on the outside, and the loop is buttoned. The owner is accustomed to folding cloth, smoothing down the seams and securing the cords that hold the folds of goods in shape.

"The man is young, about 26, I should say. He is slender and ought to weigh about 140 pounds. With my glass I have traced the faint marks left by his fingers where he held the umbrella, and by careful measurement have ascertained that he wears a No. 6½ glove. With a hand of that size he ought to measure about 5 feet 8½ in his stockings. He is in love with a woman who works in a candy store and patrons her late. Last night he met her by appointment. He kissed her once on the lips and twice on the cheek. Then they were interrupted, and he left in a hurry. The woman is a blond and has encouraged his advances.

"The man is in trouble on account of this woman, and that is why he came to consult me. The nature of his trouble is not exactly clear, but my impression is that the young man has a rival who is jealous."

"Great heavens, Tomes!" I exclaimed. "You do not mean to tell me you have learned all this about a man you never saw, simply by looking at his umbrella?"

"Certainly. It is very simple to one who observes. To a person of a low order of intelligence this would be a $1.48 umbrella, slightly shopworn and used a short time; nothing more. But when we come to examine it with care we find certain, well defined marks on the cloth, traces of two distinct foreign substances adhering to the handle, which, combined with my infallible theories, lead directly to certain facts, and then you have all the really essential points in a drama of real life, which, left to hope, will not end in a tragedy."

"Wonderful!" I exclaimed. "But tell me how you ascertained the owner of this umbrella kissed a woman who works in a candy store and patrons her face, and then left her in a hurry."

"That was the least puzzling feature of the case. Take my glass and look at the handle. You will no outfind there in two colors the imprint of a man's lips. After parting with the woman this fellow was nervous and excited, and unable to borrow a cigarette he bit the handle of his umbrella. The lighter color is paint. It is a very light shade of red, used only by blond women. The darker color, you will observe, is made up a slightly adhesive substance. That is candy, caramels, I make bold. The presence of these two substances prove beyond the possibility of a mistake that he had kissed the woman first on the cheek. She did not resent that; then he kissed her lips, which left traces of paint and caramels on his mouth.

"I know that they were interrupted and that the young man departed in a hurry because the imprint of his lips on the handle was made within a few moments of the time of the kissing. But further evidence of his haste and excitement is found here where he crumpled one of the folds in the cover by clinching it in hard over it."

Tomes arose, walked over to the window and looked out. I stood watching him in silent admiration, when suddenly a smile of satisfaction broke over his face.

"Here comes my man, half an hour earlier than I expected him. His case must be serious."

I went to the window, and looking out saw a slender young man walking rapidly across the stoop and glancing anxiously up at our room. In a few moments there was a sharp ring of the hall bell, followed by steps on the stairs and a knock at the door of our room.

"Come in!" called Tomes putting the delicate umbrella under the table.

The young man entered with a bustling air, and opening his overcoat drew the pocket of his coat door both some papers.

"Never mind the letters in the case for the present," said Tomes motioning his visitor to a seat.

"I'm from Sullivan, the tailor. Was here this morning. He says if you don't pay that bill he'll bring suit tomorrow."

I handed Tomes a fresh cheroot as the collector turned forward a bill, and reading down I picked up the umbrella and put it out of sight in a corner of the room.

Just then there was a second knock at the door and a moment later Jennie, the maid, looked in.

"If you please, Mr. Tomes," she said, "the old gentleman in the top floor back says to ask if you can see him a minute. He stopped in in the hall this morning!"—Exchange.

Ice on the Farm.

The advent of winter reminds me that the season of storing ice is at hand. Every farmer, whether in the business of storing ice or not, should put up a store of ice for family use. The advantage to the housewife of having a refrigerator easily accessible, where articles of food and cuts of meat can be kept in a cool condition, unaffected by the high temperature prevailing, can hardly be realized until it has been provided. Providing an ice house and storing up the frozen crystals in a manner to keep through the hot weather are simple matters and easily understood. There is still time to build an icehouse to fill this present winter. But, says the Maine Farmer, any outbuilding not otherwise in use can be imported for the purpose. Partition off a section, fill the walls with sawdust, cover the bottom with a layer of the same, and after filling cover with a foot of sawdust or chopped straw. Keep the snow scraped from the field of ice where the cutting is to be done. Harvest it as soon as the ice attains 10 or 12 inches in thickness.

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ANNUAL MEETING.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN THAT THE annual meeting of the stockholders of the Salt Lake & Ogden Gas & Electric Light Company, will be held at the office of the company, No. 1 West First South Street, on the 10th day of February, 1896, at 1 o'clock, for the election of directors, and the transaction of such business as may come before the meeting. SALT LAKE & OGDEN GAS & ELECTRIC LIGHT CO.,
JAMES MOFFAT, Sec'y.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. LAND OFFICE,
Salt Lake City, Utah,
November 14, 1895.

COMPLAINT HAVING BEEN ENTERED at this office by Sarah E. Morris against William J. Miller for abandoning his homestead entry No. 10,000, dated November 1, 1890, upon the west half of section 27, township 3 south, range 1 west, in Salt Lake County, Utah, with a view to the cancellation of said entry, the parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 3rd day of March, 1896, at 11 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony touching said alleged abandonment.

BYRON GREN, Register.

NOTICE FOR PUBLICATION.

U. S. LAND OFFICE,
Salt Lake City, Utah,
December 14, 1895.

COMPLAINT HAVING BEEN ENTERED at this office by Sarah E. Morris against Noah W. Lake, for abandoning his homestead entry No. 8,600, dated May 4th, 1891, upon the southeast quarter of the southeast quarter of section 11, and the northeast quarter of the northeast quarter of section 14, township 3 south, range 1 west, in Salt Lake County, Utah, with a view to the cancellation of said entry, the parties are hereby summoned to appear at this office on the 25th day of February, 1896, at 11 o'clock a. m., to respond and furnish testimony touching said alleged abandonment.

BYRON GREN, Register.

ESTRAY POUND NOTICE

ONE BAY HORSE ABOUT 7 YEARS OLD, star in forehead, hind hoofs like right hoof.

If the above described animal is not claimed and taken away on or before February 18, 1896, he will be sold at City Estray Pound at 2 p. m.

JOHN O. MATTOX,
Pound-keeper.

SUMMONS.

In the District Court in and for the Third Judicial District of Utah Territory, County of Salt Lake.

Emma Pearl, Plaintiff,
vs.
Archie D. Pearl, defendant.

The people of the Territory of Utah send greeting to Archie D. Pearl, defendant:

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APpear in an action brought against you by the above named plaintiff in the District Court of the Third Judicial District of the Territory of Utah, and to answer the complaint of said plaintiff filed in said District Court in the office of the clerk of said court, within twenty days after the service of this summons, if served upon you within this county; or, if served out of this county, then within thirty days; otherwise within forty days—or judgment by default will be taken against you, according to the prayer of said complaint.

The said action is brought to have a decree of this court dissolving the bonds of matrimony existing between plaintiff and defendant, and awarding to plaintiff the custody of the minor child, Vivian Pearl, aged about three years, and for such other and further relief as the nature of the case may require and the court may deem just and equitable, and that the said defendant be ordered to pay a reasonable attorney fee herein, and for costs and such other and further relief as may be just and equitable.

And you are hereby notified that if you fail to appear and answer the said complaint as herein required, the said plaintiff will apply to the court for the relief demanded therein.

Witness, the Hon. Samuel A. Merritt, Judge, and the seal of the District Court of the Third Judicial District, in and for the Territory of Utah, this 8th day of December, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety-five.

[SEAL.] DAVID C. DUNBAR, Clerk.

By GEO. D. LOOMIS, Deputy Clerk.
W. T. GUNTER, Attorney.

SUMMONS.

In the District Court in and for the Third Judicial District of Utah Territory, County of Salt Lake.

Truth A. Minor, plaintiff, vs. Mary Larkin and George Salisbury, defendants.

The People of the Territory of Utah send greeting: To Mary Larkin and George Salisbury, defendants:

YOU ARE HEREBY REQUIRED TO APpear in an action brought against you in the above named plaintiff in the District Court of the Third Judicial District of the Territory of Utah, and to answer the complaint of said plaintiff filed in said District Court in the office of the clerk of said court, within ten days after the service of this summons, if served upon you within this county; or, if served out of this county, then within twenty days; otherwise within forty days—or judgment by default will be taken against you, according to the prayer of said complaint.

The said action is brought to have judgment against defendants Mary Larkin in sum of $1,000, with interest thereon at the rate of ten per cent per annum from June 1, 1893, and for costs and counsel fee, and for such other and further relief as may be just and equitable, and that the said defendant be ordered to pay a reasonable attorney fee herein, and for costs and