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nose. But they reappeared again.

"Now," he said, "I am satisfied that,

working very carefully, we can secure

sand. There is money in it either

way and any way we work it. We

get it coming and going. First of all,

if the Siowitha people find that they

really cannot get on without controlling.

these acres, why"-and he snickered

so that his nose curved into a thin.

we could let them have the land. Eb'

"But the point is," continued Neer-

gard. "that it borders the railroad on

the north, and where the land is not

wavy it's flat as a pancake, and" he

sank his busky voice-"it's fairly rid-

dled with water. I paid a thousand

"Water!" repeated Selwyn wonder-

"Underground water-only about for

ty feet on the average. Why, man, I

can hit a well flowing 3.000 gallons

almost anywhere It's a gold mine.

don't care what you go with the

acreage split it up into lots and ad-

vertise or club the Siowitha people into

submission, it's all the same; it's a gold

mine, to be swiped and developed.

and the job of financing it, because

we've got to move cautiously and

knock softly at the doors of the money

vaults, or we'll be waking up some

Wall street relatives or secret busi-

ness associates of the yellow crowd.

and if anybody bawls for help we'll be

up in the air next New Year's and

He stood up, gathering together the

mail matter which his secretary bad

already opened for his attention.

There's plenty of time yet. Their

leases were renewed the first of this

year, and they'll run the year out.

But it's something to think about

"You," said Selwyn. "I'll think the

"Do you think there's any chance of

"I haven't the slightest idea of what

te might do, especially"-he hesitated-

"No," said Neergard, "I haven't."

from his people, I understand."

Will you talk to Gerald, or shall I?"

still hiking skyward."

looked almost at him.

his financing the thing?"

about it?"

ingly. "Why, it's dry as a desert!"

Oh, yes, if they must have it!"

Selwyn frowned slightly.

dollars for six tests."

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THE WATCHMAN-WARDER, LINDSAY, ONTARIO.

"But-they'd laugh at me!" it's what makes 'em in the first place." "I know. But Boots Lansing would He drew a large, fancy bandkerchief not, and you have considerable respect from his pistol pocket and wiped the beads from the bridge of his limber

Gerald nodded. He had immediately succumbed to Lansing like everybody else.

"And one thing more," said Selwyn options on every acre of the four thou-"Pon't play for stakes-no matter how insignificant-where women sit in the game. Fashionable or not, it is rotten

sport, whatever the ethics may be. And, Gerald, tainted sport and a clean record can't take the same fence together." A little later the boy started for

home at Selwyn's advice. But the memory of his card losses frightened him, and he stopped on the way to see what money Austin would advance

Julius Neergard came up from Long Island, arriving at the office about noon. The weather was evidently cold on Long Island. He had the complexion of a raw ham, but the thick, fat hand, with its bitten nails, which he offered Selwyn as he entered his office, was unpleasantly hot, and on the thin nose, which split the broad expanse of face, a bead or two of sweat usually glistened, winter and summer.

"Where's Gerald?" he asked as an office boy relieved him of his heavy box coat and brought his mail to him. "I advised Gerald to go home," observed Selwyn carelessly. "He is not Now, there remain the title searching perfectly well."

Neergard's tiny, mouselike eyes, set close together, stole brightly in Selwyn's direction, but they usually looked just a little past a man, seldom at "Grip?" he asked.

"I don't think so," said Selwyn.

"Lots of grip round town." observed Neergard, as though satisfied that Gerald had it. Then he sat down and rubbed his large, membraneous ears.

"Captain Selwyn," he began, "I'm satisfied that it's a devilish good "Are you?"

"Emphatically. I've mastered the details, virtually all of 'em. Here's the situation in a grain of wheat. The Siowitha club owns a thousand or so acres of oak, scrub, pine scrub, sand and weeds and controls 4,000 morethat is to say, the club pays the farmers' rents and fixes their fences and awards them odd jobs and prizes for the farm sustaining the biggest number of bevies; also the club pays them to maintain millet and buckwheat patches and to act as wardens. In return the farmers post their 4,000 acres for the exclusive benefit of the club.

"Perfectly." "Very well, then. Now, the Siowitha is largely composed of very rich men, among them Bradley Harmon, Jack

Is that plain?"



all over, Captain Selwyn. Fane, Harmon & Co. know that. Mr. Gerard ought to know it too." Selwyn looked troubled. "Shall

consult Mr. Gerard?" he repeated. " should like to if you have no objec-

Neergard's small, close set eyes were focused on a spot just beyond Sel-

wyn's left shoulder. "Suppose you sound him," he sug

gested, "in strictest"-"Naturally," cut in Selwyn dryly and, turning to his littered desk, opened the first letter his hand encountered. Now that his head was turned, Neergard looked full at the back of

his neck for a long minute, then went

out silently. That night Selwyn stopped at his sister's house before going to his own rooms and, finding Austin alone in the library, laid the matter before him

exactly as Neergard had put it. "You see," he added, "that I'm s sort of ass about business methods. This furtive pouncing on a thing and clubbing other people's money out of

of this sort that prevents my cordial co-operation with Neergard-always something in the schemes which hints of-of squeezing-of something under-"Like the water which he's going to

squeeze out of the wells?" Selwyn laughed.

"Phil," said his brother-in-law, "If you think anybody can do a profitable business except at other people's expense you are an ass." "Am I?" asked Selwyn, still laughing

frankly. "Certainly. The land is there plain ruddy beak-"why, captain, I suppose enough for anybody to see. It's al ways been there. It's likely to remain

for a few eons, I fancy.

"Now, along comes Meynbeer Julius Neergard, the only man who seems to have brains enough to see the present value of that parcel to the Slowitha people. Everybody else had the same chance. Nobody except Neergard knew enough to take it. Why shouldn't he profit by it?"

"Yes, but if he'd be satisfied to cut it up into lots and do what is fair"-"Cut it up into nothing! Man alive. do you suppose that Siowitha people would let him? They've only a few thousand acres. They've got to control that land. What good is their club without it? Do you imagine they'd let a town grow up on three sides of their precious game preserve? And besides, I'll bet you that half of their streams and lakes take rise on other people's property-and that Neergard knows it-the Dutch fox!"

They discussed Neergard's scheme for a little while longer. Austin.



They discussed Neergard's scheme. shrewd and cautions, declined any personal part in the financing of the deal, although he admitted the probability of prospective profits.

matter over and give you my opinion. "Our investments and our loans are of a different character," he explained May I speak to my brother-in-law "but I bave no doubt that Fane, Har Neergard turned in his tracks and mon & Co."-

"Why, both Fane and Harmon are members of the club," laughed Sel wyn "You don't expect Neergard to go to them?"

A peculiar expression flickered in Gerard's heavy features. Perhaps he "as you never have had any loans thought that Fane and Harmon and Jack Ruthven were not above exploit-"It's rather out of their usual, I be- ing their own club under certain cir cumstances; but whatever his opinion, he said norther and our gesting that Selwyn remain to dine went off to dress

> A few moments later be returned crestfallen and conciliatory.

"I forgot Nina and I are dining at the Orchits Come up a moment She wants to speak to you." So they took the rose tinted rococo

own quarters, and Selwyn tapped at Nina's boudoir. "Is that you, Phil? One minute. Watson is finishing my hair. Come in now and kindly keep your distance, my friend. Do you suppose I want Rosa-

elevator. Austin went away to his

mund to know what brand of war paint I use?" "Rosamund?" he repeated, with a

good humored shrug. "It's likely, isn't "Certainly it's likely. You'd never

know you were telling her anything. but she'd extract every detail in ten seconds. understand she adores you, Phil. Elieen is furious at being left here all alone. She's practically well, and she's to dine with Drina in the

ibrary. Would you be good enough to dine there with them? 'Is that you, Phil?" Eileen, poor child, is heartily sick of her imprison-

ment. It would be a mercy, Phil." "Why, yes, I'll do it, of course, only I've some matters at home"-"Home! You call those stuffy,

rooms home! Phil, when are you ever going to get some pretty furniture and art things? Eileen and I have been talking it over, and we've decided to go there and see what you need and then order it whether you like it or Good Pay Weekly. Outfit Free. "Thanks," he said, laughing. "It's of the choicest nursery stock, which

smoky, impossible, half furnished

just what I've tried to avoid I've got things where I want them now, but knew it was too comfortable to last Boots said that some woman would be sure to be good to me with an art nou veau rocking chair."

"A perfect sample of man's gratitude," said Nina, exasperated, "for I've ordered two beautiful art nonveau | don't like. There's always something | rocking chairs, one for you and one for Mr. Lansing. Now you can go and humiliate poor little Eileen, who took so much pleasure in planning with me for your comfort. As for your friend Boots, he's unspeakable-with my com-

Selwyn stayed until he made peace with his sister, then be mounted to the nursery to "lenn over" the younger children and preside at prayers. This being accomplished, he descended to the library, where Eileen Erroll in a filmy, lace clouded gown full of tur quoise tints, reclined with her arm around Drina amid heaps of cushions. watching the waitress prepare a table

He took the fresh, cool hand she ex tended and sat down on the edge of her couch

"All O. K. again?" be inquired, re taining Eileen's hand in his.

"Thank you-quite. Are you really going to dine with us? Are you sure you want to? Oh, I know you've giv en up some very gay dinner some "I was going to dine with Boots

when Nina rescued me. Poor Boots! think I'll telephone"-

"Telephone him to come here!" begged Drina. "Would he come? Oh please-I'd love to have him."

"I wish you would ask him," said Eileen; "it's been so lonely and stupid



to lie in bed with a red nose and fishy

eyes and pains in one's back and limbs. Please do let us have a party." So Selwyn went to the telephone

and presently returned, saying that Boots was overwhelmed and would be present at the festivities, and Drina, enraptured, ordered flowers to be brought from the dining room and a large table set for four, with particular pomp and circumstance. Mr. Archibald Lansing arrived very

promptly, a short, stocky young man of clean and powerful build, with dark, keen eyes always alert and humorous lips ever on the edge of laughter under his dark mustache.

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