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(Continued from last week.)

"I ever get rich," Russell replied, "will be by such methods as that used by Remington and others by which a man might feel disgraced."

"But I am only an adventurer, anyway. I have no solid hopes; and my character is being unassisted as my circumstances. I can flush to-day a man broke-to-morrow; honest in the morning and a scamp before night."

CHAPTER XVI

In the first flurry of surprise at Ray's acceptance of an imaginary proposal for his daughter's hand, Russell felt a slight entirety of the fact that he had made no proposal.

CHAPTER XVII

The Society for General Culture had survived the summer, and its members had come back from the shores of the salt sea with an added thirst for knowledge.

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Yes, he resolved to do all this, but he did not do any part of it. He changed his mind when the time for a disclosure came.

They had been sitting on the deck of the yacht, face to face, and Ray had been talking in a lively and as he supposed entertaining fashion, for about half an hour, when he suddenly drew upon him that Russell's face had taken on an expression of deep misery wholly uncalculated for anything that had been said.

It was his last visit here during the season. The Rays came back to their town house in the following week. Russell called within a few days after their return, and his welcome was the same as ever.

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It isn't tracks, said Ray, "it's transients we want to look out for. With the help of legislation we can steal a little piece of this city, but with an equal expenditure we can steal a whole town in the West or even in New Jersey, if we can find one there that isn't already stolen."

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But Cupid had to be provided with one more poem, and Alice and Russell were hard at work upon it one evening in early November in the library of the Rays.



IT LOOKED LIKE A PROPOSAL.

Then upon a writing pad in his hand, leaning toward the fire for light, the pencil fell from his hand and rolled along the hearth rug. He stooped for it but could not find it in the dim firelight.

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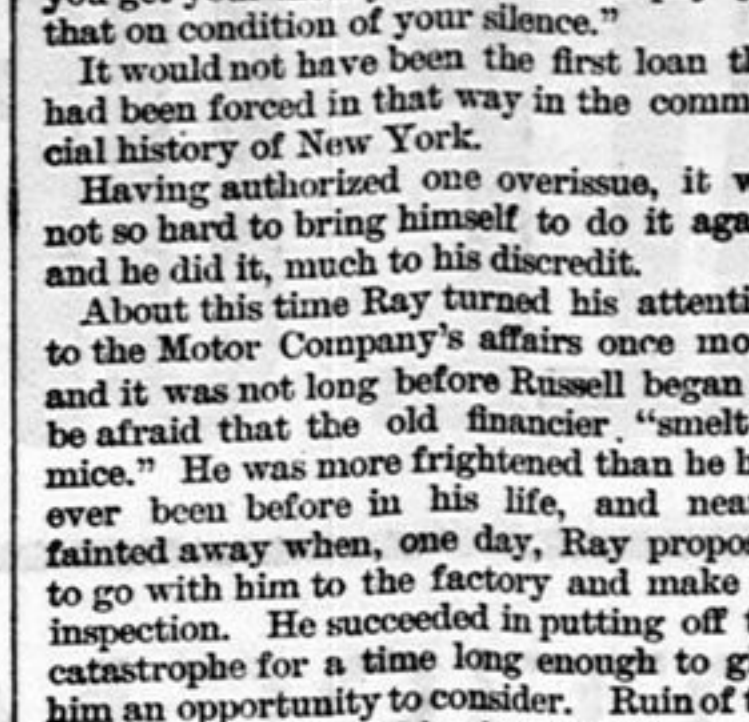
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listening with valuable inside information as to successful political methods. Russell was popular in the club and had won the special favor of a few old fellows by listening to their stories of their own greatness.



INSPECTION UNDER DIFFICULTIES.

The light was admitted at each end of the room. The edges of the mirror Russell carefully concealed. He then had a short and confidential interview with the engineer.

"Great heavens!" he exclaimed, mopping his forehead, "what section of the infernal regions is this?" "It is necessary to keep the machines at a high temperature for a few days," Russell explained, with shaking nerves.

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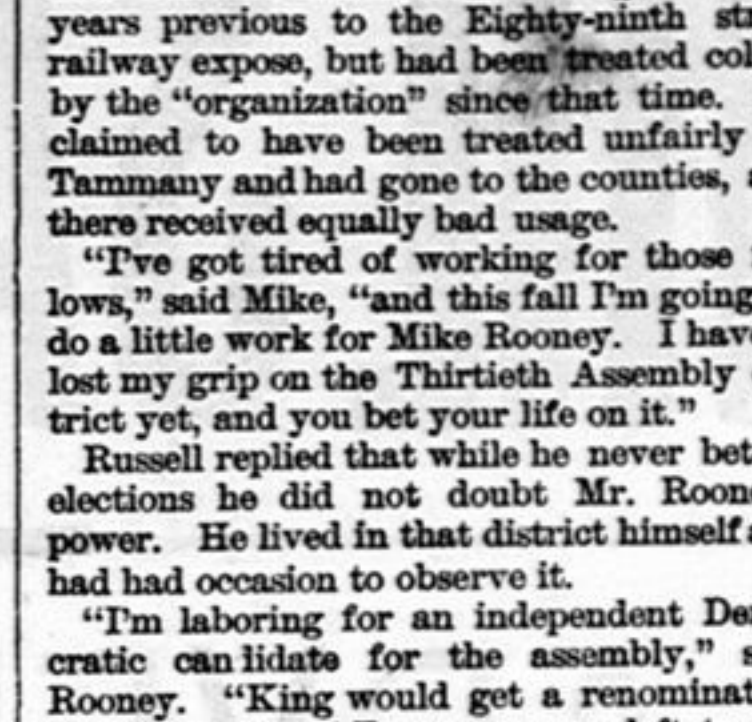
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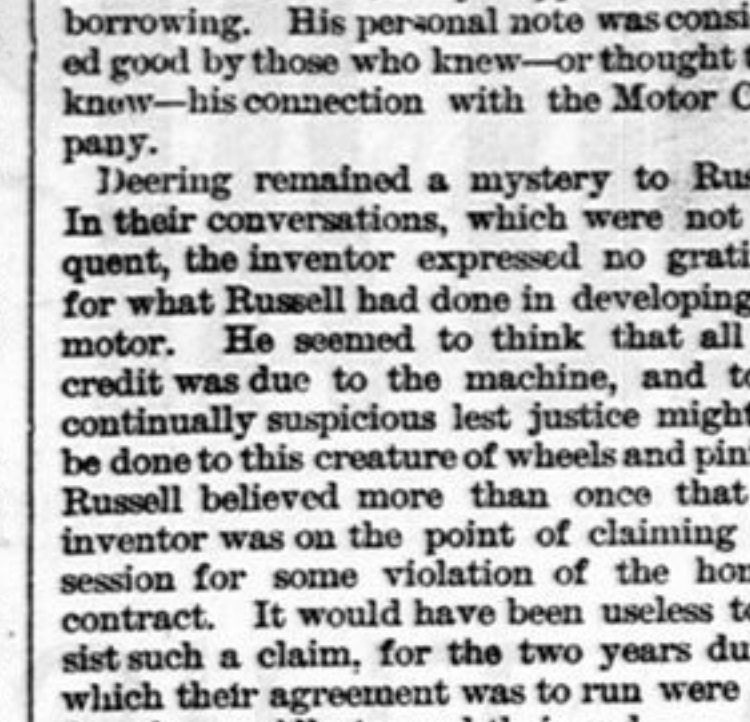
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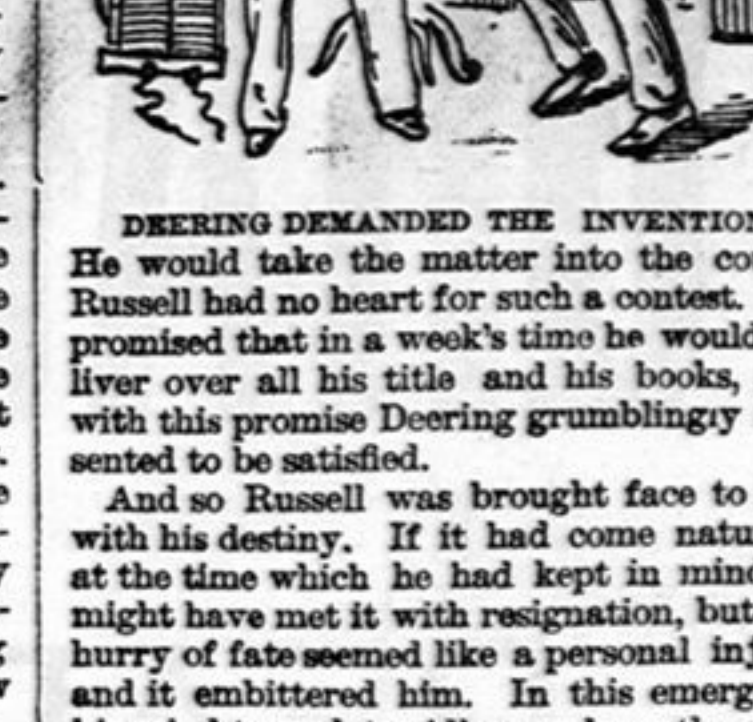
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