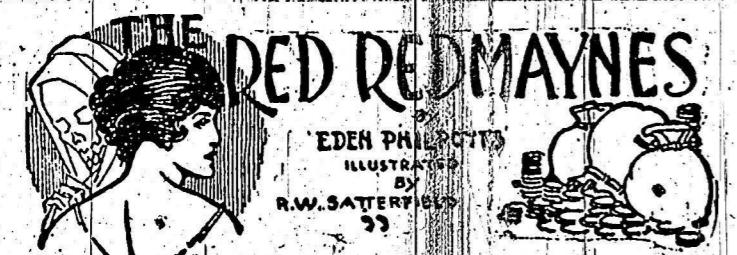


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BEGIN HERE TO-DAY.

Mark Brendon, famous criminal investigator, is engaged by Jenny Pendean to solve the mysterious disappearance of her husband, Michael Pendean, last seen in the company of Jenny's uncle, Robert Redmayne, when the two visited a bungalow being erected by Michael near Fogginor Quarry.

Blood is found on the floor of the cottage and witnesses testify to having seen Robert ride away on his motor-cycle with a heavy sack behind the saddle. Jenny goes to live with her aunt, Mrs. Pendean, while Brendon visits her there. Mark is introduced to Giuseppe Doria, who works for Bendigo. On the road to his hotel, Brendon meets Robert Redmayne but fails to capture him. Jenny and Doria meet Robert on the beach.

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY.

"He appears to be sane," she answered. "He made no mention of the past and neither spoke of his crime nor of what he had been doing since. He made me send Doria out of earshot and then told me that he had only come here to see you. He has been here some days, hidden in one of the caves down the coast westward."

"And still you say he behaved like a sane man?" Mrs. Pendean asked.

"Yes—except for what seemed an insipid fear. I implored him to come with me in the boat, and see Uncle Bendigo and trust to the mercy of his fellow men. But he is very suspicious. He thanked me and proved horribly to me; but he would not trust either me or Doria, or think of entering the boat."

"I asked him, then, to tell me what he wished and how I could help him. He confided and said that if Uncle Bendigo would see him quite alone and swear before God, not to hinder his departure in any way after they had met, he would come to 'Crow's Nest' to-night after the household was asleep."

"For the moment he wants food and a lamp to light his hiding-place after dark. His hope is that you will give him tobacco and clothes; so that he may leave England safely and get to Uncle Albert in Italy. He made us swear not to say where we had found him, and then he indicated a spot where I was to bring your answer in writing before dark."

Mr. Redmayne nodded.

"And at the same time you had better take the poor wretch some food and drink and the lamp. How he has lived for the last six months I cannot understand."

"In the first place," declared Robert Redmayne's brother, "the man must be mad; whatever appears to the contrary, I'll agree to see him to-night—or rather to-morrow morning. I'll bid him come at one o'clock, and he shall find the door open and a light in the hall."

Some provisions were put into the little vessel to its limit of speed.

Then Brendon was much surprised. He had been standing under the flag-staff with the master of "Crow's Nest," watching the launch, and when she had vanished westward, into a gray still evening, Bendigo challenged the detective within proposition altogether unexpected.

"See here," he said. "I've got a damned uneasy feeling about meeting my brother single-handed to-night. I can't tell you what it is. I've promised to meet him alone and I shan't be telling the poor man a lie, because, if all's straight and he shows no violence, he needn't know anybody else is there."

"You are wise and I quite agree with you," said Mark. "No doubt

by God to be a single woman, or a widow."

"But what about your ambitions—to wed an heiress and claim the title and the territory of your vanished forbears?"

Dendigo swept his hands to right and left with a great gesture, as though casting aside his former hopes.

"It is fate," he said. "I planned my life without love. I had never loved and never wanted to. Now I do not want the rich woman but only she who awakens my passion, adoration, worship. Life has nothing in it but Madonna—English Jenny."

"We can slow the subject for six months anyhow," replied Bendigo, lighting his long clay. "I suppose, your country as well as mine, there's a right and a wrong way to approach a woman—and seeing my girl's a widow—made so under peculiarly sad circumstances—you'll understand that love talk is out of the question for a good bit yet a while."

"It is true," answered the other. "Trust me. I will hide my soul and be exquisitely cautious. Her sorrow shall be respected—from no selfish motive only, but because I am a gentleman, as you remind me."

He was gone and for a moment only the hurtle of the rain on the ground windows of the tower room broke the silence; then Brendon emerged from his hiding-place and stretched his limbs. Bendigo regarded him with an expression half amorous and half grim.

"That's how the land lies," he said. "Now you've got it."

Mark bent his head.

As a clock in the hall below beat the hour of one he returned to the cupboard and drew the door behind him.

"But questions were few, and the terms were simple. I could press no more than the sound of feet ascending the stairs; but it was no doubt, or cautious, footfall that they heard."

The ascending man neither hesitated nor made any effort to approach without noise. He came swiftly and as the sputor stood up calm and collected, to meet his brother—not Robert Redmayne but Giuseppe, Doria appeared.

He was very agitated and his eyes shone. He breathed hard and wiped the hair away from his forehead. He had evidently been out in the rain, for water glistened on his shoulders and face.

Doria explained.

"I was going the rounds and just about to turn out the oil lamp over the front gate as usual when I remembered Mr. Redmayne. That is half an hour ago and I thought it would be better to leave the lamp, to guide him, for the night is dark and wild, I came down the ladder therefore; but I had already been seen. He was waiting under the shelter of the rocks on the other side of the road. He would not come within the gate but sent a message that you are to come to him instead, if you still wish to see him."

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Canada's Primary Transportation.

Canada has many transportation problems and the development of her wonderful natural resources accentuates these problems. In mineral production, in agriculture, in fisheries, in forest development and other features of Canada's growth, the question of how to get the product to market forms a major difficulty. Various mining companies are meeting the problem in their own way, while the fishing and forestry industries are using several different methods of getting their output to market. One of the most difficult transportation problems is met by the mining companies of the Mayo district of the Yukon, where the silver lead ore has to be brought long distances in big by tractor and sledges over snow roads. They are then piled on the banks of the river awaiting shipment by water route on the spring breakup.

Many of the settlers in the lake area of the northern portion of the Prairie Provinces secure large batches of fish through the ice. To get these fish to railhead before the weather changes is a problem, as the settler has to drive often 200 miles to deliver his frozen fish, which are stacked up on his sleigh like stovewood.

The grain grower of the prairies has met his delivery problem by the use of the tractor and grain tank, which have hauled for many miles to the country elevator or loading platform. The man who cultivates thousands of acres must make very definite plans in the moving of his crop from the farm to the nearest railway point.

The good roads programme of the several provinces cannot help much in overcoming such transportation problems, as in almost every case the point of production is isolated beyond the range of economic highway development. This condition is an incentive to individual action, the aggressive Canadian, whether miner, lumberman, fisherman or Farmer, equal to the occasion.

Peculiar Customs.

In Northumbria and other northern districts of England, some peculiar customs still exist.

"The male guests at a wedding, as soon as they emerge without the pretence of the churchyard—if the marriage occurs in a church—concerning distributing money to the spectators, and continue to do so from thence to where they remain for refreshments. There is another peculiarity in connection with a marriage at the same place. Previous to the bride's entering the doorway of the house after the ceremony, she is met at the door, a veil is thrown over her head, and a quantity of cake is pitched over her. Some think these customs are borrowed from the East. They probably have a symbolic meaning."

Wide-Brimmed Hats.

A wide-brimmed hat may be securely and comfortably worn on a shingled head if two pieces of flat elastic are fastened inside the crown, from back to front, in such a way that they grip the head on either side. The space between these strips of elastic should be smaller at the back than the front.

TO BLAST ICEBERGS WITH HEAT MINES

PLANS OF MCGILL COLLEGE PROFESSOR.

Scientist Will Go to Greenland to Blow Up Menacing Pinacles With Thermit.

Taking with his several tons of chemical for disintegrating icebergs, Dr. Howard T. Barnes, ice research specialist and professor of physics of McGill University, will sail for Greenland in June to study the effect of heat mines on the breaking up of icebergs at their source. For thirty years an authority on ice research, he believes North Atlantic shipping lines can be kept clear of ice, and formation of a committee to consider putting into effect his plan for extending the navigation season of the St. Lawrence River has just been suggested to the Shipping Federation of Canada by leading commercial interests.

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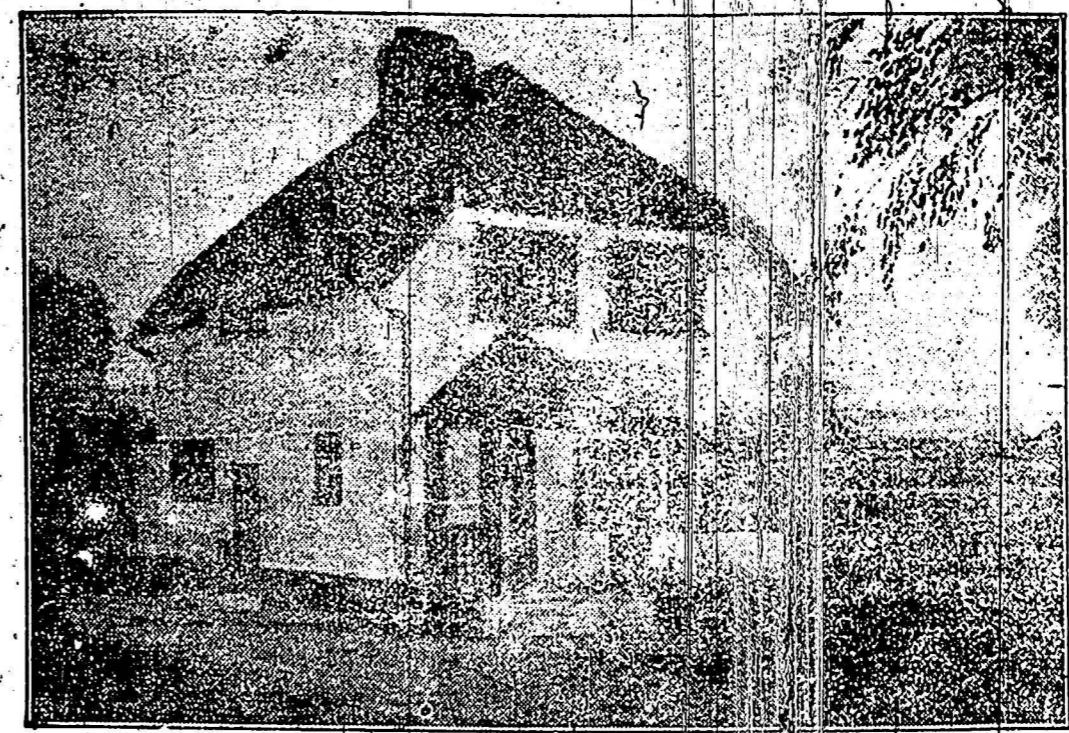
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A VERY POPULAR PLAN

By F. H. Marant, Architect.

It is not often that the name of a prominent architect is found associated with a home costing as little as fifty-five hundred dollars. One of the larger lumber companies featuring this design in a plan book states that the plan has been a tremendous success, many homes having been built from it. But the reputation of the architect and the cost are not the only reasons for such popularity. There are many others.

Few homes possessing individuality of design are to be found, on lots under forty or fifty feet wide, however, even in a decided rustic exception.

The outside width is 22 ft. 6 in.,

which makes it suitable for a thirty-five foot lot or even two or three feet less.

A minimum allowance of eight feet should be made for the driveway at the left and, two, preferably three feet, for overhead of eaves and clearances at the other side.

While the original ground floor plan does not show any window openings on this side, an alternative plan provides a group of three side windows in the dining room. The most suitable plan to use depends upon the width of your own lot and the proximity of the building on the next location. If window, and equally lacking in imagination, fail to appreciate its value from three viewpoints, exterior views, the fireplaces in the corner of the living room is another departure from custom which works in very well with the size of the room (13 ft. 3 in. x 16 ft. 3 in.) and permits the same combination to also serve the kitchen and dining room. The most suitable plan to use depends upon the width of your own lot and the proximity of the building on the next location. 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