

Prince Meets Boys

Tells London Club He Likes Detective Stories

library: of a Roman Catholic club in East London recently.

The Princo made one of his incog-

The presence of the Prince only was because few people practiced parleaked out gradually to the young- lor magic. sters, many of whom were skeptical . I had in me a streak of stubbornner of the boys and they compared him to trade upon my father's friendships. mentally with his pictures the con- Like all youths who have been brought viction grew that it really was the up with the idea that there will al-

ing many of the youngsters what they that success was an easy matter. were reading and exchanging views I will not recount all the visions applanded the young pugilists.

Making Winter Popular

fined to be apologetic concerning follow after the proceeds of my transtheir Winter climate and to resent action with the pawnbroker were public mention of its seasonal poculi- gone. arities an Kipling learned when he I had not eaten for forty-eight

Culness of personal experience they starving. recommend them to those of softer I recognized that fact at last. Starclimates. Ottawa, for instance, takes to its skis with the first snowfall, and impulse of self-destruction, was my on afternoons and week-ends the inevitable end. The battle was over, wooded hills and open spaces in the even though I might postpone survicinity are dotted with thousands of render for a few hours longer. the young and middle aged venturing born and bred in luxury, educated in their skill on the precarious runners the best university in America, a conagainst the forces of gravity and the perils of hidden stumps. Summer to blackest poverty. And probably the between skling seasons. . .

Why Prince of Wales

Trince of Wales is called "David" by his relatives and never "Eddie," there will be some interest in the Dowager Lady Radnor's claim in her newly pubwas she who suggested this name.

are descended from the ten lost tribes my entrance. It was an unflourishing and the royal family from King David, establishment that he ran- I never the chap who slew Goliath. She sent was compelled to meet curious eyes. a message to the Queen, then Duchess of York, asking that if a son was born to her he should be called David. The ing to a client who also looked up at Duchess liked the name, but "won my arrival. He looked away again dered what reason she could give" for swiftly, but not before I had time to calling her son by it.

and that, she writes, "is how the Prince of Wales came by the name of should be dickering with a pawn



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BEGIN HERE TO-DAY. Sentimentally, it was priceless. But John Ainsley, a man of education, the need of Mrs. Gannon was beyond and breeding, whose war wounds left anything else. I took the five dollars him unfit for manual labor, returns that Weinberg offered and went out. hungry to his shabby boarding-house. His landlady confronts him with a demand for the week's rent—\$1. Being a gentleman born, Ainsley is hullier with the later hours. I shuddered miliated at being unable to pay her as I stepped from the close atmoson the instant. He asks her for an phere of the pawnshop upon the side-hour of grace. He decides to pawn walk. hour of grace. He decides to pawn walk. an ivory miniature of his mother—the I had promised Mrs. Gannon her last of his possessions—in order to money within an hour. I could keep wipe away the debt and to get food my promise and still have time, be-

NOW GO ON WITH THE STORY.

I saw miself, before I had oppor- Sixth Avenue toward a mean little want to talk to you." tunity to prove those undeveloped gifts, entering the French hospital war. I saw myself later, transferring being was concentrated on the effort ped me once more. the last battle before the Armistice,

I saw myself seeking work. I remember the sudden horror that swept over me when I discovered that I was nito excursions into the East Side incompetent. I was a dilettante and Laborite districts, visiting two Cath- the world refuses to pay the amateur. olic clubs for boys. His adventiwas I knew no trade, no profession. The not known except to Father Rawlin- only thing that I could do better than con, who conducted the Prince on his most people was the performance of certain tricks in sleight-of-hand. That

at first. When he talked with several that I called pride, that forbade me ways be enough money available for The Prince toured the library, ask their wants, I was conceited I thought

on books with them. He watched that passed before me as I looked at foo(ball played on the roof of one of the miniature. Suffice it, that with the clubs by electric light. He also times hard, I got no work. And when caw several boxing bonts and heartily finally I had swallowed my pride and was willing to work as a commo The Prince departed to the enthusi- manual laborer, illness and privation actic cheera of the boys, most of whom had sapped my strength. I had moved from the best hotel in New York to as shabby a rooming-house as the city held. And now my landlady threaten ed me with eviction.

Well, I could at least assure myself another week of shelter. After that-A few years ago Canadians were in I refused to contemplate what would

wrote about "Our Lady of the Snows." hours. Before that I had eaten scant-Now it is all different. We have learn, ily, not more than once a day, for six ed to capitalize our Winters and the months. As a sandwich man, as an publicity agencies tell the world in errand man when I could get a job, as words and pictures about the beauties guardian of motor cars parked on the of the ski trails and the invigorating city streets, I had managed to pick up and beneficent influences of zero tem enough, added to the results of frequent trips to the pawnshop, to pay This is more than merely making my small rental, and buy myself an the best of an inevitable signation, occasional meal. But for the last two canadians themselves have been sold days I had carned nothing. And I on their own Winters and but of the was too proud to beg. Today I was

vation! That, unless I yielded to the noisseur of the fine arts, would die in them is but an inconvenient interval only person to mourn would be little Peter Gannon, the landlady's son whom I had frequently amused with

At least, though, I would die owing Was Named David nothing. So I rose, putting the min-London -- Most of us know the lature in my pocket, and unsteadily descended the stairs to the street. walked uptown to Washington Square then crossed to Sixth Avenue.

The oily gentleman with hard black lished book of reminiscenses that it eyes, with whom I had had so many little transactions in the past, looked Lady Radnor believes the Britons up as the bell on the door jangled at

But this evening he was engaged He leaned across the counter whisner gain an impression of shrewd eyes, a Lady Radnor suggested that it could rat-trap mouth, a diamond shirt-stud, be included among the other names of a rich fur collar and a general atmosthe four patron saints of those Islands phere of money. I wondered vaguely why one so apparently prosperous

> As I waited for my friend Wein-org to finish with the other man and attend to me, I somehow seemed to ense that, whatever had been the subject of their conversation before my entrance, their talk now concerned me. The fur-collared gentleman glancd over his shoulder at me, not once but two or three times, and seemed to be putting questions to the pawn-

Then Weinberg's visitor, turning his collar up so that his flashy shirt-stud was hidden, nodded abruptly to the proprietor and walked out of the shop. His hard eyes searched my face as he passed. However, he did not pause, and I promptly forgot him under stress of my negotiations with

I had done too much business with the pawnbroker for him to believe that there was any remote chance of my redceming the goods which I pledged with him. I had every reason to believe that he took advantage of my poverty; yet I was too proud to open

egotiations elsewhere I did not haggle. I asked for ten dollars; the ivory alone was worth more than that, I believed; the silver frame in which the portrait was set must also have been worth at least ten dollars. Intrinsically, the thing, as a work of art, was worth hundreds,



my condition

"Let go!" I cried. fore paying her, in which t esatisfy back, then smiled ingratiatingly. my anguished stomach. I walked up "Take it easy, son," he said.

restaurant where I could dine cheaply. I shook my head; the effort of A few spoonfuls must have revived I was as near to an animal as it is speech was too much; I moved again me. I sat up, pushed the spoon away more things to it than you can guess," service at the outbreak of the great possible for man to be. My whole toward the restaurant door. He stop- and reached for the bowl from which I told him.

hand on my shoulder, halting my me, and I'll fix you up." London .- The Prince of Wales likes I was discharged, as cured, six months feeble progress, I turned on him with It was bad enough that Mrs. Gan- solid food. nothing better to read than a good later. Hiness developed, and the last a spark. I was at the door of the place non and the pawnbroker should know My benefactor-at the moment I nothing better to read than a good later. Hiness developed, and the last space of my father's estate went to pay my where I planned to satisfy my hundressed in such smiled. There was neither mirth nor kindliness pos- I rose unsteadily and walked with ner of the mailed flat.

until twenty minutes ago, should ac cost me thus and venture impertment solicitude. For no matter how kindly he may have meant it, I considered it an unwarranted intrusion into affairs strelly my own. Moreover, he had struck at more than my pride; he was interfering with the gratification of my appetite. As I have said, I had become animal-like. Reason had de-parted from me; I was governed by my belly, not by my mind. So, like any animal balked of his food, I struck at him-

Had I not known how weak privation had made me, I would have learned it then. For he avoided my blow with ease. Exhausted by my effort, I pitched forward and would have fallen to the ground had he not caught me. The next few minutes were blurred. I dimly saw him signal the driver of a closed motorcar. I felt myself being assisted into the machine; I made no effort to resist. I think I must have fallen into a stupor, for I recognized my gentleman of the the next thing that I remembered I fur collar at once. He stepped slightly found myself sitting in a huge armchair. Some one was holding a spoon "I to my lips, and I was drinking greed-

the fur-collared gentleman-he had to the army, which later decorated me to conserve my energies so that I want to be careful; you might kill me. He did not resist, and I lifted Ho called a question, and a manthat followed the war. Wounded in restaurant. So, when a man laid a yourself overeating. Come along with the bowl to my mouth. It revived me, servant, correctly dressed, appeared. yet merely sharpened my craving for He announced that dinner was served.

meaning silver hair, which was applied to the tip leaves on the Chinese tea bus. Tip leaves are wiry in shape. In India they were more orange in colour, so were called "Orang" kee" (Pak-ho).

sible to those thin lips, but there was hint interest dining-room. The sorp certain bleak friendliness-"Feel better?" he asked. He knew my condition and I did not was able

"I want more," I said. He smiled again: "Wait a minute; me at me case. I was surprised that the sounget settled, then wo'll see the owned of such a face could possess. what you can do to a chop," what you can do to a chop,"

I tried to return his smile. "I'll do to take

He glanced over his shoulder at the

had helilly me mentally as well as physical. My mind felt clarified; I physical. had beer anking in me. I did not need his warning that I must eat spayingly. warning he tried to put

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ASSURANCES IN FORCE (net) 1,487,990,000 An Increase of \$231,500,000

328,408,000 New Assurances Paid For - -An Increase of \$62,518,000

Total Income - - - - -102,774,000 An Increase of \$23,801,000

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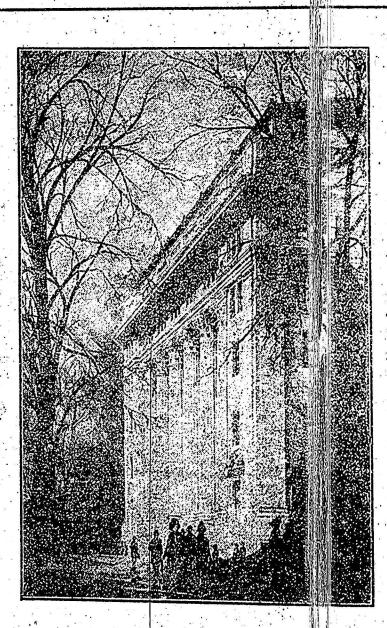
Reserve for Unforeseen Contingencies 12,500,000 Surplus over all Liabilities and

Contingency Reserve - 45,280,000 An Increase of \$11,269,000

ASSETS at December 31, 1927

An Increase of \$56,054,000

Dividends to Policyholders increased for eighth successive year



EXTRACTS FROM DIRECTORS' REPORT

Substantial advances have been made in all departments during the year. . . .

The total net income for the year exceeded one hundred million dollars . . . ?

The strength and resources of the Company have been further enhanced . . .

The high earning power of the Company's investments has been again demonstrated. The net rate of interest earned on the mean invested assets, after fully providing for investment expenses, was 6.47 per cent. This gratifying result has been made possible by dividend increases, homises and stock privileges accruing on many of the Company's

The wisdom of the investment policy which has been consistently followed in past years, in favouring long term bonds and the stocks of outstanding and very carefully selected corporations, has been once more emphasized. The appraisal of our securities shows that the excess of market values over cost increased during the year by \$19,235,889.99. In addition, a net profit of \$5,028,033.20 accrued from

the redemption or sale of securities which had risen to high premiums.

The quality of the investments listed in the assets is testified by the fact that on both bonds and preferred stocks not one dollar, due either as interest or dividend, is in arrear for even one day, while the dividends accruing to com-mon stocks are greatly in excess of the dividends payable on the same stocks at the time of purchase

The surplus earned during the year amounted to \$38,511,029.67 from which the following appropriations have been made:

\$5,000,000 has been deducted from the market value of our securities as a further provision against possible future fluctuaions, increasing the amount so set aside to \$10,000,000.

\$1,500,000 has been added to the account to provide for unforeseen contingencies, which now stands at \$12,500,000.

\$1,000,000 has been written off the Company's Head Office building and other

\$500,000 has been set aside affrovide for the greater longevity of annuality's, bringing the total provision under this leading to

\$50,000 has been set aside to provide for claims in respect of total disability as yet unreported.

as profits to policyholders dur sche year. In addition, \$6,205,573.00 had been contingently allotted to deferred widend policies issued prior to 1911, and to five year distribution policies, to provide the profits acqued but not yet payable.

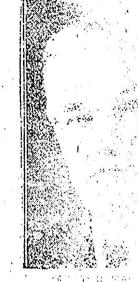
After making these deduction tions, \$11,269,330.89 has been add to the undivided surplus, bringing the pt i over all liabilities, contingency account that capital stock to \$45,280,896.14.

Your Directors are gratified to influee, for the eighth successive year, a substantial increase whe scale of profits to sald stributed to participating policyholders dinn the cu-

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