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conveniences ever invented for use in the hot summer to marry on two hundred pounds a when such things are done, friendships with a crime of peculiar atrocity.

Someyear: and of that day of miracle and are killed and partnerships are dis- 'I am here,' he said, after two or thing can save you.' going to make, and the beautiful places could not possibly by any temptation judice.' hey would see. Tours and Blois, do such things. And there were others 'Is it not well to ask first of all if 'Then, Sir Samuel'—George rose plied, 'as you were leaving it.' Chenonceaux and Amboise; Angon- who pointed to the fact that the whis. your advice is invited?'

> talked to midnight. 650,000 pens, Athelstan,' she said, 'mind- the jealousy which made him regard what you have to say.'

away on the 12th.' you may tell me why she refused to pointment and disappointment and the this long series of forgeries.' stay at home.'

of Europe bought and sold.

Farmers' notes discounted at reason. honour, a stupid and clumsy forger. seeing that, like all whispers or rumors, some connection between the accused ried. able rates, and special attention given They now choose—I am ashamed to the origin was unknown, and perhaps person and the crime.' devised and invented this elaborate thing.

> pected something. Well-it is perfect- tions, and the other which whispered want of money.' ly easy to put a stop to that.' 'Yes, it is easy. At the same time, wobblers or mugwumps, who whisper. badly off. That cannot be denied. Go involves me in these forgeries.'

it will be well to put a stop to it as ed that while on the one hand—on the on.' soon as possible, before the thing as other hand—and that while they readi. 'You wanted money—both of you— volves you inextricably.' picion as diligently as he can. Let us strength. When he is called upon to and do it.'

work, therefore.' thing upon Checkley?'

Let us all three work together. Elsie rooms, but in whispers, without a single there is no use in trying to brazen it hands—' will make the best detective in the procession, and not one German band. out. Best come down at once.' vm very glad—very glad indeed—that raged about him—a tumult in whispers humor as he could assume under the Have you found out?

CHAPTER XIX.

THE WHISPER OF CALUMNY. Whispered words are ever more potent than words proclaimed aloud upon the house top. If the envious man from Income....... 40,286,237 bor: whisper them with bated breath:

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say that, as yet, the thing is a profound ship own clerk's room, he felt them looking after him curiously as he passed: and he felt them, when his own door was closed, whispering his own the time for voting comes, he votes for about him. This made him extremely 850,962,245 regards that man askance; and when another man, and will not have him as angry. Yet, for a whisper, one cannot beadle, sexton, verger, schoolmaster, urn-ceck, policeman, parish doctor, is only one thing worse than to be susman, alderman, Mayor, or Member of pected rightly; it is to be suspected]... It was Checkley who set going the mad.

whisper, which at this moment was man of principle and rule, should be ing all hearts, occupying all minds, the amount of character, no blamelessness went so far. If it stops short of that, be lawyers, but we understand eviding all hearts, occupying all minds, the King Midas's servant, when he was to an end? irresistibly impelled to whisper, dug a George then shut his door and sat, 'Go on to the next point.'

hole in the ground and placed his whise down to his table in a very wrathful well—it is just this. I'll help you ready Mrs. Arundel has requested her Sligo road and seemed to want to get per at the bottom of that hole. But the and sayage frame of mind. And while both—Athelstan as well as you—yes—daughter to break off her engagement; in the yard with the sheep. Deer are, grasses grew up and sighed the words he was just beginning to nurse and I'll help Athelstan. Hang the fellow! I am forbidden the house; Elsie has we understand, becoming quite a comto the passing breeze, so that the nourish this wrath, coaxing it from a Why couldn't he stay at Camberwell? left her mother and gone to her bro-

pages, he became conscious of a sibil. if we only heard them, cause us to re- country, and never come back again. main. ant, malignant, revengeful murmur: consider our self-respect. Great Phi. And then, though it's compounding a Mr. Dering laid his head upon his Who stole the bonds? The new Part- lanthropist, great Statesman, saintly a felony, we'll just put everything back hand and sighed. 'I believe I shall be ner.—Who forged the letters? The Preacher—if you only knew what they again, and say nothing more about it.' driven mad before long with this businew Partner.-Who robbed the safe? say of you-down below!

te hear! Naturally, his very soul be- mute-walked into the new Partner's row and a scandal. As for Athelstan, I somebody else. Meantime, look here. came aflame: when the dinner hour room, whispered to each other: 'He's shouldn't know the fellow if I ever saw Tell me how these things came here.' They carried out part of their pro- arrived, he told another boy as a pro- going to finish him. I hardly remember him. But The 'things' were two envelopes tures—it was eight years since Athel- boy told an older boy, who told another He have got a nerve!!!—The game's these little events happened.'

marvel when Mr. Dering gave to one solved. They even went so far, though three false starts, without my brother's Nothing can saye me, George re- looked at the new Partner-'some of them a fortune, and to the other a member of the great profession which knowledge. This is a private and un peated. Is that all you came to say, friend of Mr. Edmund Gray, between partnership. They talked of their believes in no man's goodness, as to de. official visit. I come to advise. My Sir Samuel?' honeymoon and the tour they were clare their belief that the new Partner visit must be regarded as without pre- That is all. A clean breast is all time when you came.'

and of their return, and the lovely flat, press: that he heard it whispered by obtrude advice,' Sir Samuel replied shall hear what I have to say.' where the friends would be made so the fluttering leaves: and that it was with dignity. 'There are occasions on 'Ah! that's right—that's sensible. control of the letters. That man—the welcome. Athelstan was a person of imparted to those leaves by Checkley which a man should speak—he is bound I knew that you would be open to only man in the office—is, I believe, Bank of Hamilton | welcome. Athelstan was a person of some sympathy. Elsie talked as freely | whose hatred towards | to speak. You will remember that I reason. Come. He is sure to be alone | the man before us—your clerk—Checkto him as she could to George. They the new Partner was notorious to all was to have been your brother in law—' at this early hour. Come at once.'

> because he had been deprived of his and fear, about to be charged in com. highest importance conceivable. Evid. put them there.' 'Now she has left us,' said George, power in the office—the power of ap. pany with another, with complicity in ently something very serious indeed 'The Devil is in the office, I believe.

Well-Suppose you ought to know. viously possessed. Checkley was de. Elsie that there was some talk of such game to the last. But there will be a the safe? Who took the certificates Much for the same reason that I re. throned. Therefore, Checkley spread a charge. Now, Sir Samuel, a man of bolt.' fused to stay at home. They then this rumor. Others, again, said that if your experience must be aware that it Mr. Dering was in his usual place, stand and accuse each other. What Drafts on all parts of Canada, United chose to jump at the conclusion that at the rumor was really started by old is not enough for a foolish old clerk to before the letters, which were still un. good are you-any of you? Find out. States, Great Britain and the Continent one step I had become, from a man of Checkley, which could not be proved, suggest a charge; but there must be opened. He looked ill, worn and wor. Find out. Yesterday, there was a

single weak point.' scheme of forgery. With this end in Thus divided in opinion, the office 'I wish, young gentleman, I wish 'Is it about this case? Have you George. view, it has been found necessary to looked on, expectant Expectancy most sincerely, for the credit of your. at last found out something?' The Let me take the case in hand, brocontrive certain little fabrications—as is a thing which gets into the air: it yourself, and for the happiness of the tone, the words, suggested extreme ir. ther.' Sir Samuel laid hands on the that I have been living in London on fills every room with whispers: it unfortunate girl who has given you her ritability. my wits—that is to say, by the exer- makes a conspirator or a partisan or a heart, that my chain was of glass, to 'I fear not. You know, I believe, all very soon have the fellow under lock cise of cheatery—for the last eight confederate of every one; it divides a fly into a thousand fragments. But it that we have found out. But now, said and key. And then, sir'—he turned to years; and that, being in rags and pen. peaceful office into camps: it is the is not. Everything is complete, The Sir Samuel, rubbing his hands—'now, George—'scandal or no scandal, there niless, I persuaded you to join me in cause of inventions, lies and exagger. motive : the tempter : the conspiracy : comes the long-expected——' this neat little buccaneering job.' ations. There were two parties in this the working out: the apparent success George interrupted—'What I have

sumes serious proportions, and becomes | ly admitted—so they were free to con- wanted money. In ninety cases out of And that things have gone so far the faith of those who believed in him

-a civil war in silence—the object of circumstances. 'Down at ouce,' Sir Samuel repeated. in one of his least amiable moods. this was going on his way unconscious 'It is always best in the long run. In

Now, however, having learned that your case, there is every reason why a person accused of a crime to be enthe old clerk was actually seeking to scandal should be avoided. The thing gaged in detecting it. So I resign the Row to here. I have taken an hour fix this charge upon him, George per- hasn't got into the papers : we are only case—there are the papers: You had ceived the whispering and understood yet in the first stage of finding out what better go to some solicitor accustomed the charge. When he passed through has been actually stolen: it has not to this kind of work.' the house-top denounces a man of reputation as a thief, a gambler, a patricide, a sororicide, amicocide, no man at him curiously, and that they presented the process of the perceived that they presented the process of the perceived that they presented the first or outer office in the morning, been a case in which the police could help. Now my brother is not a vindicing.

Stuff and rubbish! cried Mr. Dering. he perceived that they presented the first or outer office in the morning, help. Now my brother is not a vindicing.

Sir, you have deceived me.' Sir to the morning in the perceived that they presented the police could help. Now my brother is not a vindicing. regardeth his voice, though he call out tended not to be looking at him, and want my wife's brother, to say nothing Samuel's face was gradually resuming

Let me help you out of the mess. suffer wrath to become visible. That Don't make difficulties. Don't stick out your chin. Think of Elsie! would only please whisperers. There George nearly lost his self-control- part.

vention her name, Sir Samuel, if you the man Edmund Gray." What? That he—even he—the

on their red glow to a roaring flame, a card was Who cares about him and his bad com- ther. No, sir—take the papers, and properly treated may become que their red glow to a roaring flame, a card was Who cares about him and his bad com- ther. No, sir—take the papers, and properly treated may become que their red glow to a roaring flame, a card was who cares about him and his bad company. if he keeps himself out of people's give them to some other person.

Copying-press. As he turned over the a body of critics whose judgment would, or two: you shall go clear out of the dissolved by mutual consent. I re-

The new Partner.' Here was a pretty The clerks, as Sir Samuel Dering- 'Yes, I know. But I want to make something of his decision of thing for a pretty innocent office boy, his face composed to the solemnity of a things easy. I don't want a beastly speech. 'Well, I will give the case to

will yex her more than a bit. The en- 'How did they get here?' asked Mr.

which Sir Samuel proposed to say, ap- said, "for all our sakes." That is what on the top of the heap. Nobody had

and took a bundle of papers from the 'Observe,' said George, 'that in the leme and Poitiers and La Rochelle; per came from the boy of the Copying. 'In such a case as this, I venture to table—'let us find my Partner. You whole conduct of this business there

men: not on account of any personal 'You are to be my brother-in-law. They went out together. The clerks 'How came the letters here?' Mr. Then Elsie got up. 'Whatever hap. qualities or private injuries, but out of Well, Sir Samuel, go on. I will hear noted their faces full of 'business,' as Dering repeated angrily. we poetically put it—matters of buying whatever happens, you shall give me the Chief as his own property; and 'You are, as no doubt you suspect and selling being notoriously of the 'He'—indicating George—'must have

'Brother,' said Sir Samuel, 'I bring safe. The day before there was a to the collection of commercial paper. say—my mother and sister choose—to supernatural, then Checkley must have 'Connection? Good Heavens! There you a young gentleman who has a com. handful of Socialist tracts on the letbelieve that you and I together have very strong grounds for starting such a is a solid chain of evidence, without a munication to make of great import. ters. Find out, I say.

'Oh! it is too absurd! But I sus- office—one which whispered accusa- everything complete. The motive— to say will not take long. I hear from in a fortnight or so I shall call myself Sir Samuel that he and Checkley be. vour brother in law. Till then, faredenials. Between these hovered the 'Want of money? Well, I was pretty tween them have got up a case which

'Quite right.' said Sir Samuel. 'In-

a horrid thing, that may stick to you fess— Everybody knows the wob. a hundred, this is the cause—wanted that I am about to be arrested, tried, was strengthened. all your life. You have got to do with bler. He is really, if he knew it, the money. So you went and did it. Al- and convicted. Which he rightly thinks 'Before then, you crowing bantam,' a malignant man—perhaps a desperate master of the situation; but, because ways the way in the City—they want will be a great scandal. So it will—so cried Sir Samuel after him, 'I shall man. He will spread abroad the sus. he is a wobbler, he cannot use his money—and so they go and do it—go it certainly will. He therefore pro. have you under lock and key.' poses that I should make a clean breast 'Ah!' This was Checkley. The litact, he falls into two pieces, each of 'I see. Well, we need not have the of the whole business, and give back the interjection expressed, far more Well—but what can we do, that we which begins to wobble and to fall into tempter and the rest of it. They can the stolen bonds. I am sorry that I than any words could do, his satisfachave not done? How can we fix the other two pieces of its own accord. The wait. Let us go on to the advice.' cannot do this, for a very simple reason tion at the prospect. Then he left the whole process of a Presidential Elec. 'Just so. What I came to say is this. namely, that there is nothing to con-'I don't know. We must think—we tion—except the final voting—was go. You are in a devil of a mess, young fess. But there is one thing that I must find out something, somehow. ing on in that office of half-a-dozen gentleman: the whole job is found out: must do. You placed the case in my finish me off.' Mr. Dering sighed again,

'I did. I asked you to find out. And let us work in secret. I And all unconscious of the tumult that George nodded with as much good have brought no charge against you.

'It is a very improper thing for a

Mr. Dering added, more softly, 'to give Mrs. Winslow's Scottling Syruy 'Fifteen years for certain,' George up the case. I have heard what is said. ing. If disturbed at night and broken of your rest

And there is nothing as yet to con-'Quite wrong-quite wrong,'

'I cannot choose but give up the case, George replied. 'Consider. Al-

real person, known to many. We have not proved the connection between him and the robberies committed in his name. He is apparently a most respectable person. The problem before you is still to fix the crime on someone. I shall be glad to hear that it has been

uccessfully solved." 'Glad?' asked Sir Samuel. 'You will be glad? This is amazing! 'Eight years ago, Mr. Dering, another man stood here, and was accused of a similar crime. He refused to stay in the house under such a charge. That was foolish. Time has established his I shall stay. I am your Partner. The Partnership can only be

'Oh! That is very good of you.' ness,' he said querulously. He had lost

body must have put them there'-he the time that I left the room and the

'I entered the room,' Mr. Dering re-

has been one man engaged who has

'I don't know,' answered Checkley.

had passed. But the chief personage How do things come here? How do raising of screw, which he had pre- 'Really? I heard last night from still held up his head. 'Game, sir, they vanish? Who put the notes in out of the safe? All you can do is to handbill about Edmund Gray in the

'Give the things to detectives,' said

papers. 'I flatter myself that I will

shall be no pity-no mercy-none.' George laughed. 'Well, Sir Samuel, well.' He left the office and returned to his own room, the ripple of the . laughter still upon his lips and in his eyes, so that the clerks marvelled, and

'I believe that this business will l'Night and day it worries me. It

makes my forgetfulness grow upon me. I am as good as gone. This hour I can-Mr. Dering spoke like a schoolmaster not remember the last hour. See-I had breakfast at home as usual. I remember that. I remember setting out. It is ten minutes' walk from Bedford What did I do last night? I do not know; and I am pursued by this forger-robber-demon. He puts things in my safe-yesterday, a placard that Edmund Gray was going to give a lecture on something or other—the day before a bundle of tracts by Edmuna Gray. What do these things mean?

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We keep all the fixings, such as rope, pulleys, hooks, etc. much as mentioned, nor was the ma- property. Who after this can trust knew what was coming. The thing will try and get things squared," I the letters on the table. I found them Field hoes 25, 35 and 40c each Screen doors and windows, lignity of Checkley alluded to. They anybody? in all sizes. Doors, any size and complete with all trim- talked of old days, when Athelstan was But others there were who refused to parently became difficult. He turned I said to Lady Dering. Now, be per- been in the room except you and me. Notices of births, leaths, and marriages, 25 In all sizes. Doors, any size and complete with all trima big boy and George a little boy and stammered. In fact, it is very suaded. Do the right thing. Tell suaded. Do the right thing. Tell suaded. Do the right thing. They pointed out of the long that the new Partner continued—ap.

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In all sizes are the complete with a big boy and defined to inform a high will be inserted at 50 cents for first insertion, with young man in a highly respectable warrant for the arrest of the man Ed. and began to tremble. 'I don't know,' engagement, and the hopeless time, parently—on the best of terms with young man in a highly respectable warrant for the arrest of the man Ed. and began to tremble. 'I don't know,' must accompany order in every case to 15, 20 and 25c ea. Coal oil stoves are one of the greatest when it seemed as if they were going to be charged mund Gray will be issued to-morrow, I he said. 'I put the letters on the table.

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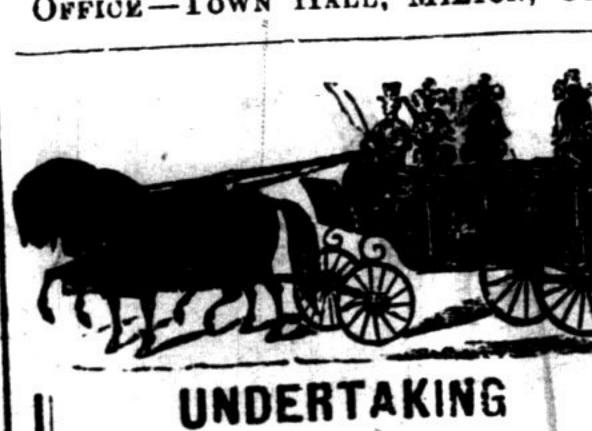
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