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PRINCIPAL CHARACTERS

WHAT HAPPENED AT MONTALBAN: A young London nurse, specializing in the care of children...

CHAPTER XVII. ROBERT LIFTS THE VEIL. Robert slipped a hand under his pillow and drew out a thin, folded sheaf of papers...

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there, Charles is innocent. And the second time she came she took money, without pretence at all, shamelessly. From my father, as I knew. From my grandfather, as I thought...

"Yes, Sir John paid her five hundred pounds," said Severn quietly. "I was sure of it, but I asked no questions. Neither of them, I think, knew of the deal the other had made with her...

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troubled her then; I believe she would have like to draw me after her, all the more because she knew most certainly that the time was past. I got up from my chair and went to her. She was not afraid of me or of anyone. But you must know that...

"I don't know if I'd somehow in my own mind thought out this murder long before. At least I knew what to do. She was no sooner gone from between my hands than I stepped out on to the window sill and dived after her...

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me, throughout, and I appreciate it." They moved at a slow stroll towards the bridge, and halted upon it. "A matter of policy with me," Severn assured him grimly. "What happened in Paris, then? Did my pension staff put me in the clear?"

"Not exactly sir. But Raoul Courvoisier was arrested in Nancy for another similar swindle with a different partner. Last week it happened. He's been formally identified. No possible mistake."

"Severn threw back his head and laughed. 'Obliging of him. I should like to tell him that I think his timing superb. Do you mean to tell me that I've had all this heart-burning for nothing, after all?'"

"I'm sorry, sir," said Sergeant Walden, still contriving to register no profound degree of sorrow. "We have our duty to do."

"So the Montalban mystery is a mystery still," Severn's eyes dwelt speculatively upon the detective. "What do you propose to do now?"

"Between you and me, Mr. Severn, there's nothing left to be done. Theory yes, and suspicion in plenty, but it's my belief there'll never be anything more heard of this case. It's too much of a private affair. I don't think anybody ever will know just what happened at Montalban."

"No," said Severn, slowly, fervently. "I really don't think they ever will." Sergeant Walden tipped his hat over his eyes in his old, approved manner, and departed silently by another path.

"There's no need to go on," said Severn. "For me there is." He closed his eyes for a moment. "I don't know if I'd somehow in my own mind thought out this murder long before. At least I knew what to do."

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the union officials, gather the necessary particulars. Forms were prepared for the men to sign, but despite the best efforts of the welfare department, only 112 men could be prevailed upon to sign the forms, though 500 of the questionnaires were sent out. Of those signing 75, or 67 per cent were Canadian-born, and 37, or 33 per cent were European in origin. Ninety-four were married, 17 single with no dependents, and 1 single with dependents. Councillor Ames was sure there were many more than 112 unemployed miners, and that they, perhaps, were not ready to sign the questionnaire because they thought it meant they were applying for relief.

Additional Items Red Cross Shipment From Schumacher

Some of the Items Omitted from List in Last Week's Advance.

In the Advance last week there was a list of the articles in the February shipment of the Schumacher Branch of the Red Cross. The report in last week's Advance said that the articles comprised 427 items. This was correct but anyone totalling the items would not get any such number. At least one reader did total the items and phoned The Advance to say there were only 167 articles in the list. Through an inadvertence some of the items were omitted from the list in the paper. Here are two additional groups of articles, the first having 151 articles and the other 169. These with the 167 published last week make a grand total of 427.

Navy Knitted Goods 11 pairs 27 Seamen's Stockings 9 pairs long Seaboot Stockings 46 pairs Seamen's Socks. 26 pairs Leather Faced Mittens 5 Turtle neck Sweaters 16 pairs of Mitts 12 Aero Caps 7 72" Scarves 16 Turtle neck Tuck-ins 1 Sleeveless Sweater 1 Quebec Helmet Army & Air Force 8 Turtle neck Sweaters 30 pairs socks 6 Body Belts 14 Turtle neck Tuck-ins 34 Steel Helmet Caps 4 46" Scarves 4 pairs Rifle Mitts 4 pairs Mitts 2 pairs Gloves. 3 Balaclava Helmets

Death of Olive Nadine Hamilton at Duparquet (From Rouyn-Noranda Press) Olive Nadine Hamilton passed away at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Hamilton, Duparquet, on Thursday last following a lengthy illness. She was aged seven years and eleven months. A bright and promising child of happy disposition, she will be sadly missed by relatives and friends.

A funeral service was held at Darby's funeral parlours here, conducted by Rev. W. B. Williston and Rev. F. R. Hughes, following which the remains were taken to Burk's Falls for burial. The service there was held at the home of her aunt, Mrs. Harry Hewitt, and was conducted by Rev. C. Fox of that place.

Four of her uncles acted as pallbearers. They were Ellsworth Hamilton, of Timmins; Vernon Hamilton, South Porcupine; Elmer Phillips, Lloyd Phillips, Burk's Falls. Foral tributes were received from the Third Battalion, R. C.E. Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Gigot, Nancy Tuttle, Mr. and Mrs. Stone and family, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Phillips, Mr. and Mrs. K. Little, the boatmen at Beattie mine, Mr. and Mrs. Peacock and Mr. and Mrs. Aello.

The little girl is survived by her parents and a little sister, Margaret.

Mrs. John Rodden, Passes Away at Ruby, Ontario Mrs. Thomas Hedican, of Timmins, was bereaved recently by the death of her sister, Mrs. John Rodden, who died at her home in Ruby, Renfrew County, at the age of seventy-seven. The late Mrs. Rodden was widely known for her devotion to her family and to her church and as a kind and charitable neighbour.

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Excursion travel will be handled on Train No. 46, connecting at North Bay with C.N.R. No. 2 On the RETURN journey, tickets will be valid for travel on C.N.R. Train No. 1 from Montreal 8:20 p.m., Monday, April 13th, 1942

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