## \*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\*\* FIVE CROOKED CHAIRS

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Adam Meriston, a farmer's son, house on Sunday. articled to a solicitor, makes a brave but unsuccessful attempt to thwart The magistrates sat In the Town that it contains the day's takings of her kin had his offices. Adam had to He attempts to track the thieves and

reaches an old warehouse. Adams It was therefore a surprise to find enters the building while the girl him waiting on the pavement below, footsteps. The man turns out to be Adam's

employer-Corville Perkin. Adam, in his private hours exper ments with short-wave wireless. Walking homeward, Adam is nearly run down by a large swift car.

STING HIM FOR A REWARD

Mr. Perkin's announcement that he would take Adam with him to the police court, surprised the soli citor's managing clerk. While Adam got into his coat. Brewster bustled about equipping him with a number of documents and much low-voiced advice as to how he should conduct himself.

"Can't understand the boss taking you," he grumbled when he had exhausted the advice. "No hat, no collar, no tie. Lucky for you if you're not sent out for failing to show proper respect to the court, but being Saturday morning, perhaps they will look at you with a charitable eye. But you'll have to smarten up, my son, if you're going to be allowed to accompany the gov'nor. You'd have had your turn long ago if I had felt that your appearance would have done us credit."

It was not the first time that Adam had listened to tirades about was quite the first time, though of sympathy. Since last night the wearing of a hat had seemed to altogether a more desirable thing and he had even considered going in for dollars. Hat, collar, and tie would all be needed by any gentle-



man who was calling at a lady's noon

hurry after him, some minutes after. and still more a surprise to find him genial. "Well, you don't look much | the worse for your last night's adventures, Meriston," he remarked.

quite fit, but he tactfully refrained | find out what his real reasons are tor from any enquiry after Mr. Perkin's hanging on to the chairs. Sting him health in view of his last night's act- for a reward, eh? You're entitled venture. Until the subject was rais- to that, and get all the information ed by his chief he intended to act out of him you can for me. You'll as if that part of the adventure had find you're doing yourself a bit of never occurred. But Mr. Perkin dis- good. played no delicacy in introducing the subject. His next words were: "Did you manage to restore that cash-bag to its owner?"

He duly affirmed his success. 'Whom did it happen to belong

"Someone called Norval. At least that was the name the girl gave at

"It is in Cavendish Street, sir. I've got the address."

"It must be old Norval, the antique dealer, then. I know the man suite well. He keeps some exceedingly good stuff, but he knows the value of it, I'm afraid. He's got some chairs that he positively won't sell, Spanish with the original leath-

er. I'd a client who would have given almost anything within reason for them, but it seems to be Norval's idea that it will pay him to hang on to them, confound him!

"Anything said about a reward?" Adam, with difficulty, managed to conceal how shocked he felt by such a suggestion Last night he had share the reward with his chief a moment's serious consideration. It had sour ed to him too like a cynical joke. Now the man was obviously

he manage to state. "I only saw the owner of the money."

He thought that gave his excuse a good business flavour, but Mr. Perkin did not seem to agree to this.

"Not very businesslike, I'm afraid, Meriston," he chided gravely. "You

# HIS AMAZING LOVE

I could not reach my office quickly enough; I was thrilled at my find. Here was a youngster anxiously waiting outside of a Hospital to obtain a glimpse of his nurse! Could you conceive of anything quite so lovely? One would imagine that the whole Hospital episode would make him eager to put miles between him and the place. But no, there he was, hungering for a look at the one who had bent over him in his pain. Just what tenderness, understanding of his plight, and real palship, had "Nurse Robinson" shown that had irresistably drawn him back to her?

These were the thoughts that

shown that had irresistably drawn him back to her?

These were the thoughts that chased through my mind as I tried, almost frantically, to get the switch-board, and my heart blessed her.

"Oh dear, line busy!" Another minute's wait, and still busy. It was really ridiculous how impatient I was. I gave a hurried glance through the window. Yes, he was still there, gazing intently towards the building. At last; "Is that Miss Robinson, yes? Well for mercy sake do take time to show yourself at the back window, and view your young Romeo. Yes, Tommie L., do you remember him? Well step on the gas and end his agony of waiting, it's pathetic to see." With a merry laugh, and "I will," the receiver was hung up.

I looked out again. There he stood, with such a pleased and satisfied look on his young face. I feel impatient at my inability to picture him thus for others to see; the

I was hurrying across the small eager eyes, and such a winning shylot of grass between the Hospital ness in his attitude as he stood there and the Nurses' Residence one fine in the early morning sunlight, morning on the way to my office straight and slim as a sapling, with when I encountered a youth loiter-

when I encountered a youth loitering around.

"Are you wanting anything?"
"Yes, I'm just waiting to see Nurse Robinson." "Well you'll hardly see her this early as, no doubt, she is on duty." "Oh yes I will, for I phoned her I'd be waiting around here about ten, and that she could see me by looking out of the window, but she hasn't come yet." He was very confident.

I scented a romance right there, and asked a few leading questions which brought forth: "Yes, he'd been a patient in the Hospital for five weeks, had been operated upon for Mastoiditis." He had no difficulty in pronouncing the word, I noticed—"and did I think Nurse Robinson would be long?" I did not, "for," I said, "it is my firm intention of telephoning right away, and telling her that there is a fine upstanding chap looking up at her window, and that will bring her on the run, I know."

Straight and slim as a sapling, with his arm up-raised drawing her gaze in his direction, and to my, per-haps direction, and to my, per-haps romantic, eyes, showing just a hint of his not-too-far-away man-hood. He was just twelve.

When he was leaving, I called him into my office. I was anxious to talk further with him, to draw him out, and obtain if I could, some-thing of what was in his heart. But alas! he was not of the fulsome kind, and his eyes questioned: "Why all this interest?" "Oh, it hadn't been obad; he wouldn't like to be operated upon again for he might die." "Were the nurses good to him?" "Well, he'd say so, they were great!" That was about all he would commit himself to in words, but I had seen his eyes, and he had come back to the Hospital. That was enough to fire my imagination. "Come back again soon" I said as he left, to see me as well as Nurse Robinson."

I sat down quietly at my day and the with with some confusion, but with some confusion, but with some confusion, and they was in his direction, and to my office. I was anxious to talk further with him, to draw him out, and obtain if I could, some-thout. The was anxious to talk further with him,

He smiled, with some confusion, but with evident relief. "What Ward is she on, Ward J? All right, you wait just where you are for one festation of an adoring love of a

given the police anything, and let him know quite clearly that you feer you are entitled to your share. Any idea how much was involved?" "None whatever, sir."

"Well call as soon as you can find out all you can. Half the reward, remember, belongs to me, and if you can afford to be careless about your own interests, I don't expect you to be careless about mine."

Adam admitted that he was thinking of calling on the Sunday after-

"Splendid! Make a bee-line for any money you can get out of it, and by the way, it wouldn't be a bad thing if you could stike up a friendship with old Norval. There's a handsome commission attached to securing those Spanish chairs or ms. If you can show that you have had any influence in bringing the affair AT to a head, I shall be happy to see that you are not forgotten when the commission is drawn. In any case Adam assured him that he felt get a quiet talk with the man, and

THE CRIMINAL LAWYER By the time this speech was ended Adam found himself actually thinking less of Mr. Perkin than he had when he listened to that obviously cock-and-bull story in Grail Street. Such cold-blooded commercialism or the suggestion that he should visit antique dealer in Cavendish Street." aims was like a blow in his face. He edge of Mr. Perkin's avarice by the could judge, not at all well off. Mr. Perkin drily presumed that they would have been less well off if they

late for the hour of opening the dition dated from infancy. court. His employer seemed suddenly to wake up to this. He glanced athis watch and, saying no more than tigation is that fat children should Halifax Academy. "By Jove!" made a dash across the for the most part be left alone unless square. Adam followed humbly, but | their extra weight is causing troubleon the steps of the Town Hall itself | some symptoms. he found he was being waited for, Mr. Perkin having found time to give sugar in particular) will often

you and play your cards right with trouble to prepare. old Norval, and you'll find you're on In poorer families, therefore, a see that we are going to get on to- towards the normal in adolescence. Adam felt decidedly dubious about

ought at least to have made the this time in one of the big stone corpolice understand that you laid claim ridors further confidential speech to any reward that was going. As became impossible and Mr. Perkin it is they'll probably try to get it for reverted into the unapproachable is call and see Norval at the earliest follow, as self-effacingly as possible, employer whom it was his duty to possible moment. Find out if he had to his place at the little table.

It proved an interesting experience for him to watch his chief work on a case, to see how reserved and impassive he at while the opposition was undermining his client, but how he suddenly came to life when it was his turn to question a witness or to address the Bench; how instantly he seized on a weakness and how powerfully he used it to his client's ad- throughout your heaviest sleep. If

was, how polite he could be at one moment and how devastating the next; what admiration he seemed able to muster for his own client, what a scorn for the hostile witness! He understood now how it was that the man had come to be known as a first-rate criminal lawyer. He was keener than any of the clever lawyers present, more incisive, more, oh, infinitely more dangerous!

# Let Dogs Ride Inside

Edmonton, Alta.—A plea for the sion of the fish line. A writing lever comfort and safety of the family dog (or pen) in turn makes a record of has been made to motorists by the the pulling and slackening on a paper Alberta Humane Society which seeks tape which moves along at the rate of to discourage the practice of carry- about three-quarters of an inch per

If "Rover" or "Towser" or "Spot" moved in your sleep and how much. grins as he perches precariously on It turns out from scores of records the running board, it is because he that the average sleeper moves about likes being with the family and not ten times an hour. One boy who slept that he enjoys the ride, according in Dr. Laird's laboratory moved more to the Alberta Humane Society's than 150 times some nights, although findings. "Let him ride inside" is the total actual time spent in twisttheir urgent plea to dog-owning mo- ing and squirming was less than five



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Orange Pekoe Blend

Fresh from the Gardens

# CHILDREN ARE

Heredity or Large Appetites and Heavy Diet Responsible

A great deal of mystery has been ity in childhood, and the pituitary more in the last hour. gland is often blamed for excessive fatness, when an inherited tendency plus abnormal appetite are clearly the main factors.

In a careful study of 50 fat chilitself would have disgusted him, but dren made in the children's department of the London Hospital and re-"Norval? I wonder if that's the her house in pursuit of mercenary ported in the current issue of "The Lancet", it is made clear that endeavoured tactfully to turn the glands of internal secretion (the endocrine glands), such as the pituitremark that they were, so far as he ary, and thyroid, play no part in the occurrence of such cases.

In 30 of these children there was a definite family history of obesity, had lost the money in that little cash- and in 23 cases excessive appetite and diet alone accounted for the con-The two had been standing on the dition. There was present in others pavement all this time and Adam some sort of inborn tendency to store conscious that they were already fat, especially noted where the con-

The important condition from what has been a most careful inves-

Dietetic restrictions (of starch and his assistant one final word of ac- duce weight in a striking way, but it is pointed out, first, that such re-"You keep a quiet tongue about strictions may seriously interfere the firm's business, Meriston," he with growth, and, secondly, that the "Nothing suggested so far, sir," sai, giving Adam a very significant type of diet suitable for fat-reducing glance. "Bear in mind what I've told is relatively expensive and more

the right road to success in my of- strict regime is impossible. It is there are people who take an insane fice. I can look after those who put pointed out that the majority of my interests first,, and I think I can overweight children tend to gravitate

Time and Amount of Moving Recorded by New Device

evaluation of what happens when your head falls back on the pillow, but to Dr. Donald A. Laird of the Psychological Laboratory, Hamilton, corder) he finds no difficulty at all girls wear them long. in proving that you twist and squirm

you do most of your twisting and And then what an actor the man squirming in the first hour you are slant on the attitude of the peoples what he calls a 'diminendo type," and of the world with regard to war. Unif you become more and more rest- der the capton of the question "Who less as the night wears on you are a wants War?" it says: "It's not the "crescendo." The records of the som- people who were in the last war. It's nokinetograph place you where you not the people of any land. It's belong as surely as your complexion chiefly the soulless manufacturers of and hair classify you as a blond or a munitions who have piled up millions

is a small brass plate. A thin rod (it wholly taken out of the hands of pripasses through the mattress) and a fish line connect the plate with the Is Plea to Motorists recorder, that your head only an inch, ing dogs on the running board of minute. From the marks made Dr. Laird can tell exactly just when you

Restlessness in First Hours About half of the subjects thus far studied did most of their moving during the first hour or two and therefore belong to the diminuendo type. Of course the recorder is not started until Dr. Laird is reasonably sure that sleep has actually begun. Slight noises do not explain this diminuendo sleeping. Two subjects may sleep in the same room and still show differ-

From the studies thus far made it looks as if crescendo sleeping is the more typical. Six of Dr. Laird's subjects were normally crescendos. He studied their sleep after they had eaten dill pickles, baked beans and

cabbage salad and at other times after they had eaten a light cereal. They remained crescendos after the

evidence is good that by eating the not everybody who can listen careright kind of light meal before going fully, and learn thereby. Perhaps it to bed sleeping can be improved. Do the diminuendos settle and become less restless than

crescendos? Not according to the records. Not only do the diminuendos move more times during the night

# Hose for Girls

The Battle Is On—School Officials Say Stockings — Mothers Say No

And now that the agitation over 'shorts" has quit the spotlight, it's the question of stockings that's bothering school authorities in Hali

Are they to be long or short? Around the question a battle is on So why not make the journey well already, with the new school term barely begun.

"Long!" say those in charge at

"Let us decide for ourselves" say the girls with an eve to comfort, We go this way but once, ah, never and some of their mothers, with an eye to the family budget. For they Can we go back along the self-same point out the cost of keeping daugh-

says one mother in a letter to the Or speak love's words we knew but ries. newspaper, "whoever asks the question has no daughter over the age of

pleasure in blocking every loophole where a mother in modest circumstances can save a few pennies. To satisfy the modesty of our very modest and learned pedagogues and of our oh, so pure citizens we mothers with very small income sweat blood." It would be better, she says

the school authorities turned their attention instead to finding a remedy for "overcrowded, antiquat-I sleep like a log," may be your own ed and cold classrooms, where in winter colds and pneumonia lurk."

Principal F. G. Morehouse of the Academy figures it might be a good idea to let the school officials worry N.Y. it means nothing. With his som- about the school. "We're running nokinetograph (sleep movement re- things up here" he says. And so the

The Boston Herald has the right for themselves over the graves of Despite its formidable name the millions of their fellows. May the somnokinetograph is simple enough day come when such war material in principle. On top of your mattress as must be manufactured shall be

### The Art Of Listening

NOT ABNORMAL cereal but became diminuendos after the art of listening, like the art of thinking, is an achievement. It is is because few people can converse well enough to hold the average person's attention. There is something

There may be times when one Cutlets a la Monago." amongst a crowd of people talking made about the occurrence of obes- thon the others, but they also move like blue streaks, remains silent. The silent one might be termed a quiet fellow. He may be quiet, yet be a good listener. Engage this quiet person in conversation and it might be surprising how much he knows.

The Chinese may not have a word for it, but saying that it is better to have two ears than one mouth can be credited to them. Ancient Chinese sages "said a mouthful when they uttered that remark." - Regina Leader-Post.

### We Go This Way But Once

We go this way but once, O heart of

worth while. Giving to those who travel on with A helping hand, a word of chacr, a

did not say. We go this way but once; then let us The road we travel blossomy and

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# CULINARY VOYAGE

An Unusual Autumn Dinner That Ordinarily You'd Have to Visit Monaco to Get.

An exciting and interesting voyage to foreign lands to eat their favorite foods may begin right a home in your own kitchen and end at your own dinner table, with all the thrill of adventure and only the cost of materials and effort.

The tiny principality of Monaco on the northern shore of the Medittr. ranean and off the southeastern coast of France, is famous not only for its great gambling casino Monte Carlo, but also for its cuisine especially tht many interesting and appetizing ways its cooks prepare

An unusual and delicious dinner for one of these cool autumn nights may also become a trip to Monte Carlo, by building the menu around tht celebrated dish known as "Lamb

MENU Lamb Cutlets a la Monaco; Green Peas and Caper Sauce; Nut Bread or Graham Rolls; Autumn Salad; Old-Fashioned Apple Tapioca Pudding; Coffee.

Recipes: Lamb Cutlets a la Monaco-Saulte the cutlets for 5 minutes, remove from the pan, and bread thoroughly with seasoned crumbs. Return to pan and fry slowly until done. Green Peas and Caper Sauce -Open a can of French peas, pour into saucepan and bring them to a boil. Strain and pour over them a sauce made by mixing together 2 tablespoons melted fat, 2 tablespoons whole capers, and 1 teaspoon caper vinegar. Serve with the lamb.

AUTUMN SALAD

A fitting salad for the meal is made by mixing together 1/2 cup of diced tart apples, 1/2 cup chopped celery 1/4 cup mixed nuts, and 1/4 cup seeded raisins. Moisten with mayonnaise to which a small amount of cream has been added. Season to taste. Arrange in the centre of a large plate and mound your mixture in the centre, garnishing with canter in silk stockings runs into money. To get more out of life, undo the been rolled in powdered sugar and two or 3 quartered maraschino cher-

APPLE TAPIOCA PUDDING

Put 1/2 cup of quick-cooking tapioca, 1-8 teaspoon salt, and 4 cups of boiling water and cook until the tapioca is transparent. Core and quarter 6 tart red apples and arrange in a greased baking dish. Sprinkle with 1 cup sugar and 1 1-8 teaspoon spice, dot with butter, and pour tht cooked tapioca over the apples. Cover the dish and bake for about 1/2 hour or until the apples are tender.

Our menus show a decided tendency to vary from the old-fashioned heavy meals with their rich desserts of our forefathers. It is not that we eat so much less nowadays, but that our menus are better balanced and our tastes a little more sophisticated. Our closer relationship with other countries have broadentd our culinary horizons and introduced us to many new dishes. The delicious commercially prepared products have speeded up the preparation of our meals, and the growing knowledge of women as to what part various foods play in our diet has influenced their selection.

In this menu, the requirements of a limited budget and of a well-balanced meal, as well as the variety and novelty of dishes havt been kept in mind.

### Nutrition the Best Path to Good Health

Importance of Getting Proper Foods With Small Budget

People should be taught to use their smaller budget to their most healthful advantage and should learn how to get the proper fcods, declared Miss Elizabeth Smellie, C.B.F., while in Edmonton. As chief supervisor of the Victorian Order of Nureses in Canada, Miss Smellie is on a tour of western cities. She is also chairman of the nursing section of the Canadian Public Health Association and Fellow of the American Public Health Association.

"The western provinces have made great advances in public health, and compare well with the eastern centres," said Miss Smellie. "We have no deficits, and there is no professional antagonism to our work.

"There is a more acute interest in the subject of health than there has ever been, I think, but I would like especially to stress the need for greater knowledge of nutrition. Several home economic departments of the universities are taking special interest in this phase just now, and are forming voluntary clubs among their dieticians to study the subject."