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CHAPTER XII.

THE STAMPEDE

Monday morning dawned clear and bright. That was the only thing that was needed to make the occasion a success. Every other detail had been attended to. The city was decorated from end to end. Eighth Avenue was a blaze of flags and color. In honor of the fiftieth anniversary of the establishment of the first fort on the Bow River, many of the buildings were embroidered with placards announcing that on this spot was established the first saloon in Calgary, the first laundry, the first bank, government building, hall of entertainment, church or mercantile establishment. Several buildings were covered with false fronts to represent those first endeavors of civilization to wrest the wilderness from its beautiful primitive state into a first faint semblance of the metropolis of the West.

As was fitting the manager of the Exhibition and Jubilee had arranged a huge historical pageant six and a half miles long, to represent the pictorial and picturesque history of the city. Preceded by an escort of Northwest Mounted Police and an equal number of Indians dressed in all the magnificence of their tribal paint and feathers, the long line of floats and riders wound its way through the streets of the city. On the sides of the floats were legends describing the scenes and the historical significance of the paper mache sets, so that all the seventy thousand spectators who lined the streets five and six deep could see and thrill with pride in the glorious changes that fifty years had made.

The presence of a moving picture outfit from Los Angeles, which intended to use the Stampede and the attendant activities as a background for a big "western" picture, added importance to the solemn parade. As cameras ground out the passing drama of the city's life, wave after wave of applause passed up and down the sidewalks like the wind-waving Alberta's famous stands of wheat. Dan Malloy could not keep away from the vicinity of these cameras. At one time he had felt the urge of art. It had led him to Universal City, where his accomplishments as a champion rider had found a ready market in the Universal Ranch-Rider troupe at five dollars a day. He had been perfectly happy until he had been asked to double for the star in a dangerous fall from a horse, and learned the next day that the same star was getting two hundred dollars a day. Dan had ingeniously suggested to that worthy that he give him half of the amount for doing the stunt for him. In the mix-up that ensued the star emerged with certain abrasions and facial swelling that prevented him from working for a week. That was the end of Malloy's career as a star. He had cost the company a cool ten thousand in lay-off time and was regarded as a difficult man to handle. It was on the chance of seeing this star and finishing what he had so auspiciously begun that he hung around the cameras. But all he saw was camera men and directors and assistants who roughly and authoritatively ordered him to get out of the way.

His overtures thus haughtily refused, Dan turned his attention to the pageant, the Blackfoot, Bloods, Piegan and Assiniboines depicting the life of the Indians before the white men came, the granting of the charter of the Hudson's Bay Company, or the Governor and Company of Ad-

venturers of England Trading Into Hudson Bay as the original title specified; the coming of the adventurous Frenchmen who spied out the land and discovered its extent and possibilities; the advent of the fur traders, following in the wake of the explorers; the coming of the Catholic Fathers, bringing salvation to the Indians, and Rev. George McDougall who built the first Protestant church; the expeditions of government explorers, and gentlemen sportsmen and hunters; the activities of the buffalo hunters, the wolves and the whiskey traders; the lawless acts of the traders that brought the Northwest Mounted Police, a replica of the first fort built in 1874, Ft. MacLeod; the expedition that founded Fort Calgary; the treaties with the Indians; the coming of the ranchmen; the "iron horse"; the first newspaper; the establishment of the first regular stores and mercantile establishments, and so on down through the various stages by which the lively little cow-town became a thriving bustling modern city.

It took hours for that parade to pass, but it held the intense interest of all who saw it. Dan, whose real interest that way was centred on the horses and the wages of his employer, was lifted high out of himself and his danger and his fears. With those hardy men of old who carried the banner of civilization into the wilderness marching in ghostly effigy before him, his own hopes and fears seemed but petty, ephemeral gestures. His masquerade seemed unworthy; his skulking fear of the law did the name of Malloy no credit. Jean La Farge was right. What a name to transmit to his grandchildren. Better that he stand up manfully and shout it to the world, walk up to Callahan, if he saw him again, and tell him:

"Here I am, Dan Malloy. I have proven that I can disguise myself, so that you cannot find me, but it suits me now to admit my identity and take the consequences. I am innocent. You prove me guilty."

A touch on his shoulder roused Malloy from his day-dream. Involuntarily he slid back again into the character of Chuck Jones. It was Regan in his wagon, his daughter beside him, Alberta was dressed in gala attire, with a wide floppy modish hat taking the place of the Stetson and drill riding clothes she affected around the ranch.

"Here, hop in. I'll give you a hitch up to Exhibition Park."

Meekly Dan hopped into the back of the wagon and Regan threaded his way out to the Park. He must make certain that nothing happened to his Roman steam or to Corbett. He had made a very foolish bet, and now he had to take every precaution to insure his winning. He had grown to hate Morton. He doubted very much if he would take his old stock even if he did win the race, but Morton would certainly take his if the race went against him. Not that he had lost any of his confidence in winning, but he knew a lot about the uncertainty of horse races and this was the last one he would go into with this highbinder.

Just the same he must win this race.

As he drove into the Park he turned over the team to one of his men and inquired about Corbett.

"Run along now, daughter. I'd take you to lunch, but I want to see the team and be certain that everything is all right with Corbett."

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And in that throng, holding himself in the freedom of one whose crime was fastened on another walked the very man whose vengeance had sent Dan Malloy into hiding and masquerade. Fred Burgess. Wainwright Park had not seen him for a year. The scene of his crimes, big and little, had been worried much about it for there was only one person there who could in any way connect him with the crime for which the police were so relentlessly tracking Dan Malloy. But three hundred miles is a long way and even if Neenah had suspected that he fired the fatal shot, she would hardly believed when the evidence pointed so unmistakably at Malloy. Burgess had grown callous in his security. Perched high up in the bleachers, he intended to enjoy the Stampede to the full. And he had brought his new sweethearts, Nelly Butler, with him. Nelly might not be much of a lady, but at least she was "no breed" and she knew how to wear clothes, and she had the figure to show them off to good advantage. He was proud of Nelly as he had never been proud of Neenah.

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Being in Calgary just at that time when all the world seemed to be intent on attending the Stampede, why shouldn't Marie, who had never in all her life seen a Stampede, take advantage of this opportunity? Quite the most natural thing in the world, and the more reason, since Dan Malloy was probably there too. No wonder, too, that Marie and her maid were looking more at the audience than at the colorful opening flourishes of the big show stretched out so gaily before them at a time.

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AN INTERNAL BATH DAILY RECOMMENDED

A prominent physician made the remark recently that if people were half as particular in regard to internal cleanliness as they are about external appearance three-quarters of our ordinary ailments would be eliminated. This medical man said people did not stop to think of the importance of keeping the system just as clean as one is careful to keep hands, face and body. The result is that the intestinal tract becomes clogged and waste material which should leave the body daily stays there for an indefinite period doing a harm few people realize.

Many ills are traceable to these clogging poisons. An internal bath sounds novel, but it is much easier to take than any other kind. A spoonful of Sal Lithofos before breakfast, (or any other meal) dissolved in a glass of tepid water acts as a gentle cleanser of the bowels—and provides a soothng internal bath that rids the body of dangerous toxic poisons and gives one that feeling of freshness, vigor and well-being. A further advantage of the internal bath lies in the fact that a healthy body ensures an alert and active mind, which makes for greater efficiency and happiness in one's daily work.

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HAPPY ISLANDS OF THE PACIFIC.

England has one colony where serious crime is almost unknown. The Falkland Islands, off the coast of South America, are crime-free for years at a time.

Daniel John O'Sullivan, a blustery Irish ex-sailor who rules as chief constable and keeper of the prison over this most southerly of colonies, landed in England recently with a man sentenced to a long term of imprisonment.

It is his first visit to London since seventeen years ago he accompanied a lunatic to England. The Falkland Islands have everything but a lunatic asylum and a prison for those serving long-term sentences.

Port Stanley, Mr. O'Sullivan's headquarters, was shocked when the crime that has brought the chief constable to England was made known. The Falklands are not used to crime.

"Unemployment is all in the Falklands," said Mr. O'Sullivan to the writer. "That is one reason why we have so little crime. There is a sociality in the islands which a larger community could not possibly know. We are not barbarians. We have every convenience—a good library, good Government buildings, and riches for those who work hard, though sometimes life is lonely. The sheep farms are widely separated and there are long rides on horseback before we see a friendly face. Our greatest need is a newspaper of our own."

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