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# Velvet and Steel

PEARL BELLAIRS

SYNOPSIS

Joan Denby of humble origin, is introduced as a social equal of Miss Georgina La Fontaine, rather than as her secretary. She meets Piers Hannen, millionaire, who forces his attentions on her. Lord Edwards proposes to

Joan leaves Miss La Fontaine to become a mannequin at the Salon Celeste. Piers Hannen takes Joan and her family for a cruise aboard his yacht.

They went out on the terrace, from which they could see the harbour and the lights of the town; the moonlight shone on the white walls you!" of the close-built houses of the town but a bank of cloud showed on the horizon of the sea in a line of dark.

Joan wandered away from Siem afraid of talking any more to Captain Ancett, though she was ashamed of owing to the will of Hannen. Hannen came to her side.

He seemed quite at ease again explaining to her, casually, the meaning of the great door, studded with brass nails, which they could sce in the house below.

"When you see a door like that you know that a rich man lives in the house. The rest of it may look like a broken-down prison-the door always indicates the status of the owner. The more elaborate the door is, the wealthier the owner must be. They never seem to open those acors; either. I often wonder if one got behind one of them, whether one would ever come out!"

"How horrid!" said Joan, with a laugh and a shudder.

"How frightened you are of cap-

tivity!" he said, mockingly. · Glancing round she saw, with a start of surprise, that the others cmpiy.

Ancett?" she asked anxiously.

"He has taken her back to the yacht. He had to go-we can't leave the Corsair for the men to manage with the wind getting up like this Your sister was anxious to get back to the ship before the harbour gets any choppier, and so she went with

"But how-how will we back?" Joan enquired, faintly. "Ancett is sending the launch back with one of the hands."

engine came from the harbour: "There they go, now!" he said.

Gleaming faintly in the moonlight they saw th launch shoot out from the quay with the wake streaming silvery behind it.

Then as the mutter of the launch

"I'M HARMLESS"

Joan would have felt inclined to laugh at the consummate ease with which he had got rid of Maude and Captain Ancett in the two or three minutes she had spent in looking over the end of the terrace, had it not been for her nervousness at being left alone on shore with him.

"Why didn't we go with them?" she said.

"No need! Ancett can look after the boat," he replied. "Let's get a car and drive out of the town. Wouldn't you like to see the desert by moonlight?"

Suddenly feeling that frankness perhaps was best, Joan said quietly and appealingly:

"I would! I'd adore to. But you see, I'm rather afraid of going with Gables," the story that depicted life

"Frightened of me? But I'll behave," he said, with a smile. utterly harmless-for to-night."

She looked at him with great troubled eyes, so searchingly and appealingly, that he suddenly put his hand, not touching her, but shielding her eyes so that they could not look at him.

away towards the hotel.

A few minutes later a car was drawn up cutside the hotel, Joan and Hannen got into it, and the continued. chauffeur drove them away. walls; everywhere were Moorish arches; they passed a Moorish cemetery, a market place; that creeping plant to be seen so often climbing dimly sent it to the Page Company, of over the stones, was climbing geran- Boston. They accepted it only beium, by daylight scarlet with flowers, Hannen told Joan. They went came from Prince Edward Island, and on and out of the town, and soon she bulldozed them into it." they were in a queer, burnt-up, patched with the shadows of the her pen name, suggester that

had left them; the terrace was most gentle and formal of men. But persons. Such notations, perhaps in being with her he found it difficult later years, would form real material should be airy and it should, if at all "Where is Maude-and Captain to talk of indifferent matters, and for books if those in possession of persuaded her to talk about her them develop a desire to write." earlier life with Miss la Fontaine.

"Did you think that she had teach me to walk, talk and eat all Natalie Carr Hates over again?" said Joan, with a laugh, in reply to one of his questions. "No: she adopted me when I was five. So apart from a little coaching in the matter of speech, so long ago that I can hardly remember it, I never had any real tuition in the art of being a lady! I just picked it up from her. No one could have had a happier childhood than had, with Georgina."

"That's the one thing for which I envy a great many people," Hannen said. "A happy childhood!"

"Do you? But you-!"

"Oh, I know. Born with a silver spoon in my mouth, of course. The heir to millions, and so on."

somebody once told me that he was try to live in the "outside world," is a trained psychologist and an aufrightfully strict with you."

"He larrupped every scrap conscience out of me. A child

# "Some" Record

He's Been Married 5 Times -She's Had 4 Husbands

Mr. and Mrs. William Wilding, of Spring Gardens, Preston. Eng., have -between them-a total of nine mar-

He is 79, has had five wives. been married four times.

been divorced.

when I was 21. years later.

"Then came Margaret, followed by Elizabeth and Mary, and now I have Caroline.

been the best?

"I replied, 'The first was a good one, the second was a good one, and the third was a good one. This is my fourth, and she is the best because she is still here.'

"If they asked me that now I would answer in the same way."

she never had to leave one of them. mental disorganisation. young, a fortune-teller read my hand lated, and it is surprising how many and said I would be married four or physical disorders are due to the lack five times. I laughed, but she wasn't of straight, positive, and constructive far wrong."

Between them Mr. and Mrs. Wilding have had 16 children.

## Here's Hope For Aspiring Authors

WINDSOR, Ont .- "Anne of Green of Prince Edward Island at the turn of the century and a "best-seller" more than two decades ago, was turned down five times before it was finally accepted by the publishers. Mrs. L. M. Montgomery MacDonald, the author, said in a lecture here ..

stories aren't accepted," the noted thoughts which rush through the Canadian author told her audience, mind in quick succession during such "Don't!" he said, and quietly clos- a large part of it young girls, as- sleepless hours. If when morning ing his hand on her arm, drew her sembled under the auspices of the comes we go forth to the day with the Border Council of the Home and thoughts of our sleepless hours haunt-School Association. "Anne of Green ing us then they will most certainly Gables was rejected five times," she produce fear and terror and they will

"I put the manuscript away in the Moorish inhabitants still loitered in attic. A couple of years later, while the streets between the moonlit housecleaning, I found it and sat down and read it.

"I found it interesting, so I thought there must be something to it, so cause a girl on their staff of readers

Lucy Maud Montgomery, to clouds which were driving across the young people should form the habit of noting in books any experiences True to his word, Hannen was the and stories they hear from older

# Noise and Clamor of New York Life

NEW YORK,-Natalie Carr, youthful helress home after two years in a Quebec convent where within a few years she could have taken final vows to become a nun, hates "the noise and clamor of New York life."

"Life in the outside world is yer: strange," the former Vassar College student said. "I cannot welcome this

"I am very undecided about whether I shall return to the convent. can't truly say."

Natalie's grandmother, Mrs. Hat-"You were brought up by your lie A. Weldon, prevailed upon her to leave the convent at St. Hyacinthe and again the girl indicated.

Mrs. Weldon has ascried her hope her granddaughter "becomes reconciled to a life in the world. But if a religious life is her vocation I shall not stand in her way."

brought up like that, Joan, wants to get his own back on the world. He'll damn well take what he wants when he finds himself strong enough to do it. So if you find me less amenable to reason than most people, put it down to the hard heart of my

poor old Uncle Charles . Hannen!" "Perhaps you were rather a difficult child to handle!" suggested Joan with a smile, as they drove on through gusts of rising wind which fly 45 miles on a gallon of gasoline. raised swirls of dust on the road.

"He pre-supposed difficulties," said Hannen. "Presupposed 'em with a dog whip, regularly on Monday parts, Arram said. He plans to exmornings."

"Not a dog whip!" "Certainly a dog whip." "But you can't-you're not allow-

ed to use a dog whip on a child," protested Joan, painfully moved, and reluctant to believe him.

TO BE CONTINUED

# EVERY DAY LIVING

A WEEKLY TONIC

#### HOW MUCH SLEEP?

by Dr. M. M. Lappin

A correspondent is afflicted with that terrible affliction of insomania. She is a year younger, and has She is a victim of nerves, she tells me, and only gets on an average They live on \$5 a week - their about four hours sleep nightly. For old-age pensions. Neither has ever a time she took something to produce sleep each night, but now the drug Mr. Wilding said to a Sunday Ex- seems to have lost its effect. She is press representative: "I first married wondering whether she can get some drug that will be permanently effec-"That was Marjory. She died four tive, or if she should just try to carry on with what little sleep she can get without the use of drugs.

Well, I question very much if the amount of sleep one gets is just as "When my fourth wife was living, important as we have sometimes been a friend asked me: "Which wife has led to believe it is. I am certainly not in favor of the use of drugs or sleeping powders unless these have definitely been prescribed for the individual by the doctor. And here, I must remind my readers again that my field is psychology and not medicine. I cannot undertake to give medical advice, nor am I qualified so to do. I can only deal with physical dis-Mrs. Wilding said she had had order when it is evident that such good husbands and bad husbands, but paysical disorder is the outcome of Of course She added: "Once, when I was mind and body are closely interrethinking. There are really very few people who have been trained to think properly, and it is this fact that gives rise for the need of the psychologist and what service he can render.

Now, then, to come back to this matter of sleep. There are some folks who can get along nicely on much less sleep than others. Of course, there is nothing, perhaps, that is more troublesome and annoying than to lie awake for hours in the night with the mind running riot. Someone has aptly called those hours of wakefulness "The Cruel Hours".

Let it be remembered, however, that the mind is only half awake during those hours. One should therefore "Don't be discouraged if your not be unduly disturbed by the wild rob us of the vim and vitality necessary to a successful day's work. So, if you cannot sleep, don't lie worrying. Do not deliberately review mentally everything that has happened during the day. Do not allow the mind o contemplate the things of tomorrow or the following days. Dismiss instantly every dull and drab thought that enters the mind. Think only of the pleasantries of life.

I believe sleep can be invoked. In fact, I know it can. One should be active enough during the day to be just tired enough at night to sleep. Over-tiredness is likely to produce restlessness. Go to bed, then, before you are over-tired. The bedroom the house. It is better not to have the sheets and blankets tightly tucked around oneself. They should rather be oversized so that they can be loose enough to allow the sleeper to move unhampered in his sleep. It's foolish to imagine that you do not move in your sleep. Everyone does - and a great many times too!

When you get into bed relax every nervo and every muscle. Get into a comfortable position. As far as you can, rid the mind of everything, Try to imagine yourself enjoying a most pleasant and refreshing sleep. Suggest to yourself the need of sleep and the ability to sleep. And, if you do these things with a little determination, you will probably be surprised at the results. The chances are that you will get enough sleep to carry you through from day to day. So, whatever else you do, DON'T WORRY.

NOTE: The writer of this column thor of several works. He is willing to deal with your problem and give you the benefit of his wide experience. Questions regarding problems of EVERYDAY LIVING should be addressed to: Dr. M. M. Lappin, Room 421, 73 Adelaide Street, West, Toronto, Ontario. Enclose a 3c stamped, ad. dressed envelope for reply.

# British Midget Plane Reaches U. S.

NEW YORK, - Sydney Arram, British Great War flier, brought with him a One-man 'plane which he said weighs 350 pounds, costs \$350 and will The midget has a 191/2-foot wingspread and can be built by the purchaser from a knocked-down set of

hibit the craft here. Its maximum speed is 75 miles an hour. It was designed by Henri Mignet of France.

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### Imagination Fairy Godmother's Gift

CALGARY - Live adventurously ered with a paper frill firmly with not monotonously, Mrs. Nellie L. Mc- the fingers of the left hand. Then Clung, well known Canadian author, a quick gash of the skin between the told members of the Women's Mis- body and thigh, a little tweek with sionary Society of Grace Presbyterian the finger and a downward cut Church here. She said lots of people with the knife and the leg is neatly die not from lack of bread but from and expeditiously carved. The two lack of inspiration.

ter while the wing is severed and "No human being should be satisfied with a self 'fiddling' job," Mrs. McClung said. "It isn't the size of things you do, it is the quality; it is a circular cut around the joint and not the height, it is the direction. pressing back with the knife just as If I were a fairy godmother, I would the leg was done. -- However, -- thegive people one gift and that gift fingers cannot be used for the wing. would be imagination, the seeing Care should be taken not to cut any

the wing. Place the wing on the Middle age was too often a time of disillusionment, she thought. It was a time people had to feel they were wanted and were necessary in life.



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## from the tail end of the bird with a large serving spoon. Woman of Eighty-Nine Played Part of Village Doctor

The Turkey

Some Helpful Hints In Choos-

ing and Carving the-

Festive Bird

One could scarcely expect to find

a different kind of turkey to grace

the festive board on Christmas Day,

but perhaps the family will appre-

ciate a change in the stuffing. The

experienced housewife has learned

that there is a difference in turkeys

as far as being palatable, and many

points need to be considered in the

selection of the bird. It is well to

choose the turkey at least a week

before it is needed for consumption.

bird by its'smooth, black legs, moist

and supple feet and eyes that are

clear and free of scaly surroundings.

The hen bird is, as a rule, mcre

plump and tender than the male

bird. On a young bird the spurs

are short and stumpy. On an old

bird they are long and gain in sharp-

Perhaps the Christmas host whose

privilege it will be to carve the tur-

key needs his memory freshened up

a bit. It's surely an art any man

may be proud of to neatly and skil-

The placing of the turkey on the

This brings the drum-sticks to

table is important. The head should

be toward the left hand of the carv-

the right and the side of the bird

Insert the fork firmly over the

breast bone at the highest point. Do

not remove the fork until the carv-

First remove the whole leg, thigh

and drumstick in one piece. To do

this make a circular cut around the

joint close to the body. With the

blade of the knife press the leg back

and cut through the ligaments held-

A quick twist of the knife easily

severs the joint. However, if you

want to, it's perfectly "proper" to

hold the end of the drumstick cov-

joints of the leg repose on the plat-

Next remove the wing by making

of the white meat of the breast with

Now, with the fork still in posi-

tion, cut thin slices lengthwise from

the breast, beginning close to the

place from which the wing was re-

moved and working up the ridge cf

the breast bone. Now remove the

fork and separate the drumstick

from the second joint. The dark

meat on the thigh and drumstick

should be divided into small inviting

portions. The wing is divided in two

parts. The stuffing is taken out

the breast carved.

ing the thigh bone to the back.

directly in front of the carver.

ing is done.

ness as the age increases.

fully carve a roasted bird.

It is easy to pick out the young

Three years ago, advancing age forced Mrs. Stewart Ballantyne, widow of one of the oldest residents of Ballantyne's Cove, N.S., to retire from the important role she had held in the life of the community for almost three generations.

Playing parts of both doctor and nurse in the days before Ballantyne's Cove could boast of either, Mrs. Ballantyne as midwife had up to her rotirement helped more than 200 of this village's babics into the world.

Some of the children were sons and daughters of babies she had assisted at birth years before; a few were grandchildren.

A short time ago an urgent call for Mrs. Ballantyne came from Cape George. Hesitant at first, the 89year-old woman hustled off on the errand of mercy when she learned a doctor and nurse summoned to the Cape George home from Antigonish,

several miles away, had been delayed. When the doctor and nurse did arrive, the old lady held the safely-delivered ten-pound boy in her arms.

#### Canada Will Send U. S. 4 Million Yule Trees

OTTAWA,-Canada will ship 4,060-000 Christmas trees to the United States this month to decorate the domes of American families and gladden the hearts of thousands of children. Most of the trees come from Ontario, Quebec and New Brunswick. The New York market alone will take 200 to 250 carloads, representing 700,-000 to S00,060 trees.

