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By PETER BENEDICT

"This is all a little fantastic," said Maurice Wayland; but it seemed to be something of an effort to maintain his voice at its light and scornful level.

"Oh, more than a little. But not so fantastic as murder, you know. Besides, we're dealing with possibilities, not actualities. You think it possible, then, that in such a case the Home Secretary would be persuaded to grant me a necessary order on such extremely tenuous grounds?"

"I think so. The defence would make a strong case, Dr. Wayland. Did you ever see a set of circumstances out of which a determined defence couldn't make a good case? And that, he continued casually, as if he were discussing the weather, "is where the sink-like minds of village people would come in. It wouldn't take them long, would it, to find a motive. Consider, for instance, 'He was crazy about Hart's wife,' they'll say, 'and he saw his chance to get rid of his rival. That's what he was doing—his illness for months so that he could go on seeing her, and working himself into her good graces? He kept his mouth shut to see Charles Sievier hanged out of his way. You see? That would be attempted murder. Ridiculous, of course! Anybody who makes a mistake in perfect honesty, but do you think the public would believe that? It might be very awkward for you, doctor, but better to settle the doubt yourself."

"There is no doubt," said Wayland, in a voice thick with passion.

Jim lit his pipe, and thrust the box of matches back into his pocket with a sigh. "I see I have been wasting my time. This, however, well, don't forget I put it to you, will you?"

Wayland let him reach the door, and only when it appeared plain that Jim was not prepared to argue further did he start out of his chair after him.

"There was something in it," he said, in a high voice. "Wait! Give me time to consider."

"I haven't time to do any considering myself," said Jim simply. "Why should I treat you any more gently? No, I'm sorry, but I have an appointment. I can't wait."

"I'm perhaps a little satisfied everyone—perhaps I ought to do as you suggest. Though, of course, the results will be the same."

"Oh, of course," of course!"

"Oh, of course," he laughed.

He was still laughing when he let himself out of the doctor's house into the dove-grey evening, and walked slowly home towards the Bear, the glow of his pipe bobbing out along the green tunnel of the lane.

MacCormack - Campbell Nuptials

At St. George's Chapel, St. George's, September 14, 1946, a very pretty wedding was solemnized when Miss Stella Campbell of Primrose was united in the holy bonds of matrimony to Mr. John MacCormack of Launceston.

The wedding ceremony and nuptial mass was celebrated by Rev. B. J. MacDonald, P. P.

The bride given in marriage by her father, looked charming in a street length dress of white silk Jersey, her veil of silk net was capped with a wreath of lilacs of the valley. She wore a corsage of pink delight roses and carried a pearl rosary. She was attended by her sister, Miss Frances Campbell of Milton, Mass. who wore pale blue crepe with matching accessories and corsage of Tallman roses.

The groom was attended by his friend, Mr. John F. MacPherson of Launceston.

During the nuptial mass appropriate hymns were rendered, the organist being Mrs. George MacPherson, aunt of the bride.

After the ceremony a bounteous wedding breakfast was served to the immediate relatives and friends of the bridal party.

At noon the happy couple left amid showers of rice and confetti for a brief honeymoon at "Garden of the Gull" cabins. For travelling the bride donned a suit of wool with black accessories.

On their return they were tendered a reception at the home of the groom where upwards of seventy invited guests were served a sumptuous supper. A very pleasant evening was spent in dancing, music being provided by "The MacCormack Family."

Many useful and costly gifts were received, including a beautiful chest of silver, also a substantial sum of money, testifying to the popularity of the young couple. Suitable gifts for the contracting parties.

Their many relatives and friends join in wishing them much happiness throughout their wedded life. The bride and groom will reside in Launceston.

EASTERN GUARDIAN

SEPTEMBER 19, M. S. — The regular monthly meeting of the W. M. S. of Montague United Church was held at the Manse on Tuesday evening Sept. 17th. The president, Mrs. George Gordon presided. Mrs. George Prece led the devotional service. The theme being "Fellowship With Indian Christians." After the call to worship the hymn "The Day Thou Gavest Now Is Ended" was sung. Mrs. MacLeod read the scripture lesson and after prayer, this period closed with the hymn "In Christ There Is No East Nor West." The president then took charge of the business meeting. Minutes were read by Mrs. Ethel Stewart, in the absence of the secretary, Mrs. F. Hamilton. Roll call was answered with something about India, when a number of interesting items were given. A discussion and plans for the Missionary Rally which is to be held in Montague on Oct. 8th came next. It was decided to have our own evening. It was also decided to entertain the visiting delegates in homes instead of a supper in the classroom as formerly. 33 and 15 hospital calls were reported. Mrs. Lester McLeod reported that a large number of babies were enrolled in the baby band. Squares for a warm quilt to be sent in the box to Labrador were brought in. The work is being done by members to her home to finish the quilt, box to be packed the following week. Meeting closed and refreshments were served by a committee of ladies.

Supreme Court At Georgetown

The following cases adjourned from Sept. 10 were heard on Wednesday at Georgetown before Chief Justice Thane A. Campbell.

The King, respondent, versus Roy S. Kennedy, appellant, being an appeal from a conviction for drunken driving. The case was adjourned for judgment until Oct. 10. J. E. Fraser invited the respondent and D. L. Matheson, K.C., for the appellant.

The King, respondent, versus Leith Sterling Sanderson, appellant, was an appeal from a Prohibition conviction. The appeal was dismissed and \$40 costs awarded the respondent. Hession, for appellant, Matheson for appellant.

The King, respondent, versus Paul James Diveau, appellant, appeal from a conviction under the Excise Act. The case was adjourned until 3:30 p.m. Oct. 10. G. R. Holmes for respondent, Matheson for appellant.

CHAPTER XV MURDER SUICIDE OR ACCIDENT?

The police court hearing was resumed two days later and adjourned a session of the first water.

Dr. Wayland did not give evidence, but the sergeant testified that for certain reasons an examination order had been applied for, and therefore he was asking for a custody not to be satisfied for seven more slow days.

"What's happening?" demanded Jane of Jim as they went back to the Swan. "I just can't follow it all any more."

"You don't have to," said Jim. "Just keep your fingers crossed, my dear, everything's going to be all right."

Then, at that same moment, was asked the same question of Dr. Wayland. It is doubtful if he took any pleasure in the glow and glimmer of her smile, the hope waking in her eyes as she questioned him.

"Does it mean they're beginning to think there's more in it? Don't you think it was Charles, after all?"

"I don't know yet," he said. "But if there's the remotest doubt, of course, we have to make sure."

"And is there?" she cried. "Is there?"

"There is just the last edge of uncertainty. I can't be quite sure about that examination I made. I never feel well again. However, I myself if I should have 'quitted something? That was why I suggested the application to the Home Office—"

their home on Wednesday. They were accompanied by Mrs. Cheryl Morrissey, sister of Mrs. Ceredini who will take a refresher course in New York in hair dressing.

Georgetown And Vicinity

Cpl. Peter Jay, R. C. M. P., accompanied by Mrs. Jay and family of Charlottetown, were visitors to the home of Mrs. Jay's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John ... during the week.

Miss Bette Jenkins, recently of the Civil Service, Ottawa, who has been enjoying a vacation at her home here, left on Wednesday for Montreal.

Mrs. Rufus Orlor, who recently returned home, after being a patient in the City Hospital, is improving in health and her many friends wish her a speedy recovery.

Mr. Henry Martell is having his home on Richmond Street painted. The work is being done by Mr. Henry Sampson.

A number of fishermen here are busy picking and raking muskies at the adjacent rivers and find a ready market for them at the Cannery Plant of Mr. O. H. Llewellyn.

Mr. and Mrs. George Buchanan, recently returned from a visit to relatives in Boston, Mass.

Mr. Cyrus Shaw of Montague was a business visitor to Georgetown on Wednesday.

Mr. A. T. MacDonald of the firm of J. J. Hughes Company, Toronto, was a visitor to Georgetown on Wednesday.—Geo.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmie Ceredini of New York City, who have been vacationing here at the home of Mrs. Ceredini's parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Solomon, left on return to

Office—for your sake I had to make doubly sure.

His voice was almost a groan, but he seemed to see nothing wrong. She clung to his arm and her hands were trembling, but not for fear. "Oh, Maurice, if it should be true! If it wasn't Charles! Oh, Maurice, dare we believe it?"

But he knew that she wanted no answer from him, she was talking to him only because he was the nearest animate thing, and because she was used to talking to him. A pet dog would have done as well.

The last week of the Hart mystery ran its slow course, and Charles Sievier emerged again into the police court, paler and more morose than before, but perhaps rather more defiant, too. He looked round and found his sister and a faint smile rewarded her waiting.

Then his eyes settled on the Hart, who sat with her hands clasped in her lap, and her lashes lowered as if she did not look away from her again until the evidence of Maurice Wayland tore his glance from her in sheer stupefaction.

The police intimated that in view of certain circumstances which had arisen since the last adjournment, it did not wish to call any more witnesses; and Jane's little solicitor rose to open his case.

"I shall prove this," he said. "To show that so far from my client being guilty of murder, actually no murder was committed at all, but that the death of Hart's death was due to natural causes. And in order to do so I wish to call as my first witness D. A distinct hum of excitement had passed round the court, and these Hart had looked up with envious dark eyes which fastened upon Wayland's face and clung there hungrily. He rose and took the stand.

"Dr. Wayland, did you, upon your first examination of the body of Austin Hart, form the opinion that he had been murdered?"

"Yes," said Maurice Wayland, steadily. "I did."

"And did you afterwards suggest to the police that it would be desirable to exhumate the body and make further examination?"

"Yes, I did."

"You call to doubt your former judgment?"

"I was extremely shocked and upset," said Dr. Wayland, "when I made the original examination of Austin Hart, and his death was a great distress to me. I began to be troubled afterwards by doubts as to whether I had been in a properly calm and detached state of mind when I formed this opinion. At the time an obvious opinion. I could not quiet my conscience without satisfying myself that I had made no mistake."

The magistrate was understood to remark that that was very proper, but that it would have been better to satisfy all such doubts beforehand by getting a second opinion. He said the police surgeon should exhumate the body, and was informed, delicately that in Ashton Paul Dr. Wayland undertook the duties of police surgeon.

"And what asked the solicitor, 'What, Dr. Wayland, did you find on your re-examination of the body after exhumation?'"

(To be continued.)

BALTIC W. I.

The regular monthly meeting of Baltic W. I. met at the home of Mrs. Earle Matthews on the evening of Sept. 3 with an attendance of nine members and two visitors. In the absence of the president the vice-president, Mrs. Benj. Burns presided and the meeting followed by roll call which was answered by riddles. The minutes were read and adopted. Secretary reported that Books of Knowledge had been ordered for the school. It was moved and seconded that an auction sale be held at next meeting. The young women reported sending four treats. Letters were read from Salvation Army and Protestant Orphanage, Mrs. Riley, Mrs. Burns and Mrs. Marie Matheson kindly offered to canvass the district for both Mrs. Edgar Matthews invited members to her home for next meeting when roll call will be answered by "Your First Picture". Collection 75 cents. Meeting closed by singing the National Anthem after which a delicious lunch was served by the

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MACGILLIVRAY - AYWARD WEDDING

St. John The Baptist Church New Glasgow, N. S. was the scene of a pretty wedding at 7:30 Aug. 26, 1946, when Kev. Fr. D. Chisholm officiated in marriage Theresa Lillian, youngest daughter of Mr. James Ayward and the late Mrs. Ayward of Morrell East, P.E.I. to Angus Laughlin, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. D. D. MacGillivray New Glasgow, N. S.

The bride looked charming in a light blue dress with white accessories and wore a corsage of pink gladioli and carried a white prayer book. She was attended by her sister Josephine, who wore rose dress and hat with white accessories and wore a corsage of white snapdragons and carried a white prayer book.

The groom was supported by Mr. Francis Campbell.

During the nuptial mass very appropriate hymns were rendered by Mrs. F. MacInure.

After the ceremony a delicious breakfast was served to immediate relatives at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dowling, 79 View St. The toast to the bride and groom was proposed by the groom's father.

The groom's gift to the bride was a gold cross, to the bride a gold cross and chain and to the groom a hunting knife after which the happy couple left on their honeymoon to Charlotte, town, P. E. I., where they were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ambrose Smith, Malpeque Rd., where a very sumptuous supper was served to relatives and friends.

They received very many beautiful gifts including money.

Previous to the marriage the bride was cooked a miscellaneous shower at the home of her father, Morrell East and at the home of her sister Mrs. Joseph Dowling, N. S.

A host of friends wish them a happy wedded life. They will reside in New Glasgow, N. S.

TORONTO, Sept. 18 — (CP) —

Police today are searching for a man, about 22 years of age, who is probably carrying the imprints of a well-worn shoe on his face, after he attacked a young woman early today. The young woman told police she put up such a fight that the man ran away after receiving a well-aimed, hard kick in the face.

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The late Mr. Burns was a man of sterling character, although burdened with the responsibility of managing two farms he was eager to help a neighbor—no one asked to everyone, and with his fine character and friendly personality made many friends.

He was quiet and unassuming always thinking of other—never of himself.

In the home he was most devoted and unflinching in his efforts to be a help and comfort to his parents. With his brothers he was loyal and unselfish. He did his best to all. He enjoyed the simple pleasures of life, a walk by the riverside, a stroll through the woods, a book by the fire and a friendly chat with his neighbors afforded him much pleasure. He was a great reader and deep thinker and his fine mind grasped many problems that the average man found it hard to understand.

He had a firm faith in the wisdom and goodness of God believing that all things work together for good to them that love Him.

Mr. Burns will be greatly missed in the community.

The funeral took place on Wednesday the 4th of Sept. from his late home.

The floral tributes were many

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