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## Murder Could Not Kill

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"Nor did I think she indulged in alcohol. You say she's bought quite a lot? Did you, by any chance, ask her if she were taking it herself?" "As it happens, I did, madam. We've got to know where we stand, if you follow me. I had a little chat with her and she offered the information that she was really buying it for a friend."

"Perhaps she is, of course. Perhaps I am concerning myself unnecessarily. But really I would like to know more about this drug. What it is used for and what its action is."

"In various operations, madam. For instance, its use in maternity cases. This Twilight Sleep business, you know. It induces partial anaesthesia."

"Ah, it does. That's very interesting, Mr.—"

"Binning's the name, Madam; Percy Binning, at your service."

Laurette acknowledged the introduction gravely. "Thank you so much. You are being very helpful, Mr. Binning," she said. "I assure you I do appreciate it."

"A pleasure, Madam, and I tell you what," said Percy, now almost purring and entirely ready to give her his full confidence. "We'll just have a look at the B. P. C.—that's our British Pharmaceutical Codex," he added importantly. "Won't take more than half a jiffy, Madam."

He disappeared into the rear of the shop and returned carrying a heavy volume which, with a knowing air, he deposited on the counter in front of Laurette.

"Here we are, here's the whole bag o' tricks," he pointed a tobacco-stained finger and read out: "Sedative, when it is generally given hypodermically. There's the bit I told you about the treatment of alcoholic habits. The rest just explains the doses, and so on. There's what I told you again," and he quoted: "Partial anaesthesia—so-called twilight sleep—does not claim that it abolishes pain, but rather that it removes the memory of the event."

Glancing up at Laurette he saw that her eyes were sparkling with excitement. "Removes the memory of the event, eh?" she repeated. "I'll say that's very interesting. You have been most helpful, Mr. Binning. Thank you ever so much."

Closing the book, he watched her rather anxiously. "You don't think there's been anything wrong, do you, Madam?"

"No, I don't think there has been anything wrong that will concern you in any degree whatever. I must really apologise for troubling you."

"Granted; but all the same, if your maid comes again for more, what am I to do? Refuse to give it her?"

"Don't worry. Somehow I don't think she will visit you again, Mr. Binning," said Laurette slowly, as she rose. "Once again, many thanks for your courtesy and help."

Hurrying from the shop, an expression of triumph on her face, Laurette made her way to a telephone box in Tottenham Court Road Tube Station. She put through a call to Robin Foster at his home.

"That you, Robin?" she said, when his voice came over the wire. "What a bit of luck finding you in. Something to report, sir."

"Oh, that you, Laurette? What's the latest from the course?"

"Robin, you're not fixed up tonight, are you? Good. Will you get a couple of seats for One Woman at the Pyrrhic? — I want to have an excuse to call round to see the van Buren after the show. It's quite easy to pretend I'm congratulating her on her performance, you see? And it will give me the chance to apologise for my abruptness with her at Cloham the other night. Do you think she'll receive us? Perhaps with you there she will. You can pretend you want to talk to her about the portrait. Is that all right?"

"Perfectly, my dear," he replied. "I don't see any reason why she should refuse to see us. But what's the idea?"

"Well—this is the telephone, but I will say I can't help thinking, Robin, that that dame knows more about the affair at Wiclinton, but about Brett as well."

"Brett!" he ejaculated. "That doesn't even seem possible to me, Laurette. What makes you think that?"

"I'll tell you. If she doesn't know about Brett, there's someone in that theater who does. We must find out who it is. You remember I told you I had put on an inquiry agent to keep an eye on that maid of mine? Well, this morning he came to me to report. She has been going to a chemist's in Tottenham Court Road—I'm speaking from the Tube Station—and then went with whatever it was she had bought to the Pyrrhic Theater. She didn't wait there long each time she went—only long enough—so the inquiry man told me—to deliver a message, or else her purchase at the chemist's. I have just left the chemist's. I got him to tell me all I wanted to know. Robin! Beaton's been buying procaine. You remember how all along I have been suggesting Brett had been drugged? It's my belief they're holding him somewhere

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and still drugging him. This drug seems to bring about loss of memory. How's that?"

"My dear, you've missed your vocation. By George, I feel you're probably bang on the right track!"

"Where shall I meet you, then? If you like, I'll see you outside the theater. How would that do?"

"Splendidly! I have a lot in hand just now. Say ten minutes before the curtain goes up."

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## ANTS IN PEACE

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been outnumbered and taken completely by surprise, but the big red ants, knowing their strength, played the role of tyrants; and when- ever they wanted more slaves, despoiled the small blacks of their greatest treasure—their children.

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## Springtime on Prince Edward Island

'Tis Springtime on the Island now. All things in Nature seem so gay— For Winter made his final bow. His time was up he must not stay. The little bulbs were sleeping tight Beneath his blanket white and cold. They now rejoice to see the light, Which makes their tiny blades unfold.

'Tis Springtime on the Island now. 'Tis Gulls' own garden of delight. 'Tis Nature's season to endow The Earth with garlands soft and bright.

Buttercups and dandelions Bright rays of sunshine seem to be. These humble flowers that God designs Somehow, seem precious now to me.

God gives the sunshine warm and free Together with the balmy breeze That floats across the Gulls' blue sea And maidens tresses likes to tease.

I remember long, long ago, How we search'neath sprigs and leaves For Mayflowers hidden low. Strange it is how memory cleaves.

Island folks who left their homes, Beckoned by the hand of Fate, Oft-times return to rest their bones. Then on its beauty contemplate.

I'm not a poet—but oft' intrude With little ditties that I write, They come to me in home-sick mood, Like pleasant dreams formed in the night.

—Lena Vessey  
Portland 5, Maine, Formerly of Montague.

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## Dorothy Dix Says

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their own lives by trying to cut down on their parents' unreasonable demands and by making all the other children do their part.

DEAR MISS DIX: I have been going with a girl of uncertain disposition, have found her to be insincere, selfish and unappreciative, but she says she loves me. Question: Can a girl of that kind love any man as he wants to be loved? Will she play fair?

COLD FEET

ANSWER: Not without reason have you acquired cold feet in contemplating matrimony with that type of girl. She will surely give any man chills who marries her, and you will do well to take to the tall timber while the going is still good.

An insincere woman is never to be trusted, and a man's whole happiness depends upon his being able to have perfect faith in his wife. A selfish woman never loves any one but herself. She is incapable of it, and the only use she ever has for a husband is as a bill-payer and a dancing partner. The girl who is insincere makes the kind of wife who takes all that her husband gives without a word of thanks and berates him because it isn't more.

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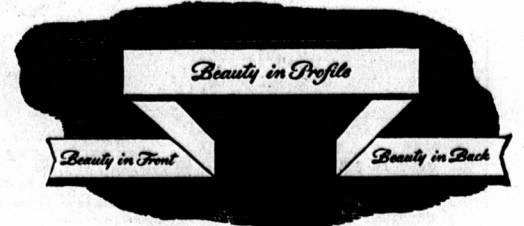
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