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### The Unlatched Door

CHAPTER TWENTY-FIVE  
Continued

"You probably had seen and tried to follow him, Dad. He was in London then."  
"Yes. As soon as I was well enough I resumed my search—no. It wasn't a resumption, because, so far as myself was concerned, there had never been a break. I sold my share in the business to Jim, invested the proceeds in gilt-edged securities and took up the search again. I didn't forget you, Roy-O, and my agents in S. A. let me know you were coming to London. I longed to see you but, after a big struggle decided not to do so until I had found Borden and settled with him. I didn't know what that settlement would be nor whether, after it was made, it might not be best to leave you thinking I died ten years ago."  
"Dad! A note of fear sounded in Roy's voice and was reflected in the eyes of Barbara. I saw him in the street one day. He didn't see me and I didn't speak to him. When that happened I wanted to be sure of him; to have him to myself where we could not be interrupted. I followed him until I was sure I had tracked him to his home—the flat in Darnley Mansions—"  
"Dad! Roy moistened his dry lips. "If there is anything you ought not to tell us—anything... dangerous..."  
"Everything I am telling you must soon be known, he said. "I was in no hurry. I set about learning his habits so that I could choose my own time for confronting him. To avoid his recognizing me, I assumed a disguise—"  
"So that was why—" burst from Barbara.  
"Yes. That was why."  
"But—but that day—when I saw you—he was already dead! You must have known!"  
"I knew. Kruger Borden was dead. I was not tracking him then; I was in hiding from those who might be tracking me!"  
"Dad! It was an agonized cry from Roy this time. "What are you and Barbara talking about?"  
"Don't you remember, Roy?" said Barbara in a hushed whisper. "The old match-seller who frightened me that day?"  
"You said he was a detective shadowing you!"  
Matthew Hemersley laughed and the two young people stared in horror at his levity.  
"I scarcely saw you, my dear," he said. "I had recognized my boy!"  
"Then it was because of him you followed us to the bus stop?"  
"I wanted to learn his address if I could. I didn't know what might happen... I saw him buy a newspaper, read something in it, hesitate about taking a cab and then walk on. I followed again and saw him go into New Scotland Yard. I waited, offering my matches for sale, and persuaded a

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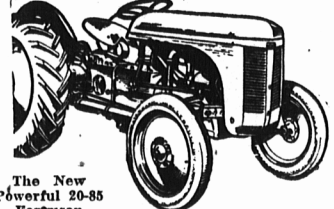
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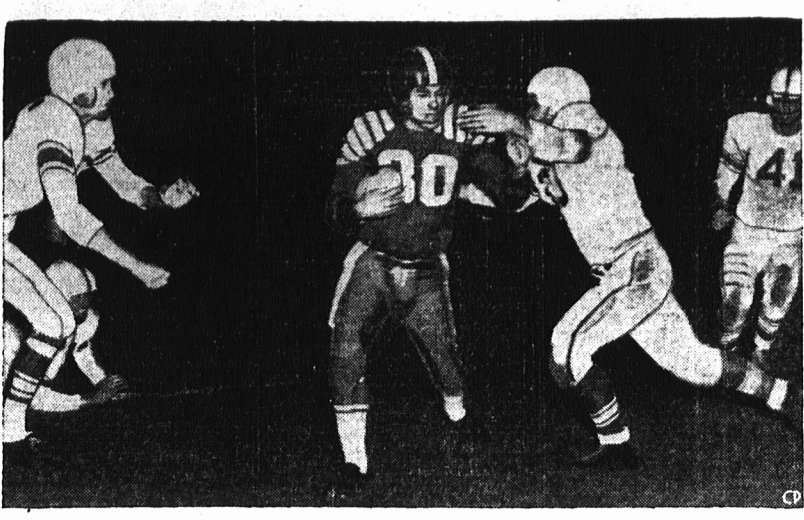
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### Strange But True

By F. E. MacArthur

The infancy of an elephant covers 25 years. From 25 to 35 years it is in its teens; 35 to 45 it is full grown; 45 to 50 is reckoned by the Burmese as the animal's middle age; and from 50 to 60 years and over is the declining or old age period.

The Arctic tern flies an average of 22,000 miles every year. No other bird travels such a distance under its own power.

Before the fish hook was invented, fishermen used bits of stone which the fish swallowed but could not eject. Incidentally, fishing is the oldest industry in the world.

Sept. 2, 1666, witnessed the greatest fire in the history of cities when 436 acres of London dwellings went up in smoke. The total property loss ran to \$50,000,000. Yet strange to say, only six persons lost their lives.

Tipping originated in the days when barbers bled people as a side line. For this they received no definite payment. The patient gave the barber what he could afford or whatever he thought the bleeding operation was worth.

Did you know that your teeth grow from the mucous membrane of your mouth, not from the bone?

All birds are toothless, but examination of fossils shows that they once had teeth. In some of the Balkan countries a mother swallows the first tooth lost by her baby to prevent the child's becoming a moron.

Non-poisonous snakes have teeth curving inward so sharply that it's impossible for them to expel any prey that has been taken into their mouths. They have two,

### ROUGHRIDERS WIN

Eyes shut tightly and straight-arm out, Calgary Stampeder Davey West is about to be pulled down by Saskatchewan Roughriders tacklers. Mel Whitehouse is piling on while Roughrider Phillips (41) comes in fast from the right. The Roughriders sparked by the unerring arm of the great Glenn Dobbs and helped by two fumbled pitch-outs by the Stampede, won 18-0 in the Western Interprovincial Football Union game at Calgary. (CP PHOTO)

upper rows and one lower, with the teeth, all alike, shaped like sharp pegs and fitting right into the jaw-bone, but in rattlesnakes and adders the teeth are folded back into the roof of the mouth until they are brought into play when the jaws are opened for striking.

The ancient Romans made dentifrice out of pumice, eggshells, and ashes from ox heels ground up, mixed with myrrh, and burned.

The sperm whale has ivory teeth that weigh up to three lbs. each. There are at least 50 of them in a set, only in the lower jaw and are spaced about three inches apart and are used for tearing food into pieces small enough to swallow.

The first President of the United States wore a set of false teeth made from the tusk of a hippopotamus—a masterpiece of ivory, gold and wire springs. The work was done by John Greenwood.

Egidio Baschi, an Italian painter, can tote seven of his pictures in his vest pocket. His "canvas" is the head of a pin; his brush, a hair from his wrist fastened to a match stick and his palette, a 2-inch gadget which fits in his index finger.

It cost the late King George 152,800 pounds a year to finance the state households at Buckingham Palace and Windsor Castle, and court officials and secretaries received another 134,000 pounds. Sounds like a lot of money but the Royal Family are due for another raise to offset the high cost of living.

A Belgium man when told by the doctors he had only a short time to live, bought himself a coffin. Time passed, and he got well instead of dying. So he sold the casket to a friend—a rather seemingly hopeless case. Within a few days the friend got well, and sold the shell to a third party who was very ill. He, too, now is well on the road to recovery, and strange but true, he's looking for a buyer for the coffin that seemingly restored three persons to normalcy!

The lamprey, a species of eel, has a tongue barbed with thousands of sharp little teeth that it rasps like a file against the flesh of its prey.

A York Point farmer, out one morning for a stroll, came upon a city guy whom he knew as an inveterate poacher.

"Morning", said the farmer. "Just why are you out so early? Now in my case, I'm walking to work up an appetite for my breakfast."

"Hum" said the city guy. "I'm out to see if I can get a breakfast for my appetite."

Two churches—one white, the other colored, have broken down racial barriers by beginning a regular Sunday service together in San Francisco. The first service was conducted recently by the Rev. W. L. Wesley Howes (colored) who was chosen as pastor of both congregations.

Some day the world may shake off its racial prejudices and join hands in that great brotherhood of man which mankind has looked for since the beginning of christianity. With racial differences swept away the world would be a better place in which to live.

newspaper boy to let me look at one of his papers. I saw what had brought Roy there and was alarmed for his sake. I was supposed to be dead, but the motives which had made me an enemy of Borden would be equally strong with him. Then, after a long interval, he came out, looking terribly agitated. He went into the post office to telephone—I could see the box he entered—and a moment later a man in plain clothes came from the Yard, saw where he was and waited. You may remember bumping against him as you came out of the office.

"I don't, I wasn't thinking."

"You got a taxi, called this address to the driver loud enough for the detective and myself to hear, and drove off. He followed in another cab and I on foot, keeping up my pose as a gutter merchant. When I got outside this house the detective was in the street, watching it."

"I suppose there has been one on that job ever since," said Roy. "One is outside now."

"You know? There was alarm in his fathers voice now. "Does that mean you are suspected of Borden's murder?"

"In a way it does, but—"

"That decides me!" exclaimed Matthew. "I must speak and clear you!"

Matthew Hemersley walked out of the room and Roy and Barbara could do nothing but follow him. He led them to the street and called a taxi from a neighboring rank. Quelling all attempts at protestation, from either, he bundled them in, gave a low order to the driver and followed them. The next moment they were whirling back towards London.

To be continued

### WHEATLEY RIVER W. I.

On Thursday evening, August 7th, Mrs. Fred MacRae was hostess to the Wheatley River Women's Institute. In the absence of the president the vice-president opened the meeting with the "Institute Ode" followed by the Creed.

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### Ring Reminiscences

— Fights and Fighters —  
(By James Fendergast)

Henderson got some supplies and proceeded to the mouth of what is now called Indian River, which he traversed toward its source as far as what is now called Quartz Creek. He went up the creek and over the divide into the Klondike system of creeks and rivers.

He had prospected at several places en route, but found nothing thereby proving the old prospecting adage "gold is where you find it." Sometimes people miss the pay streak" by only a few inches. Quartz Creek was a good producer.

Over the divide, Henderson camped on a small creek which ran into Humber Creek, which ran into the Klondike River. It was later named All Gold or Pure Gold. He struck what he thought was a fairly good prospect. This discovery took place in the fall of 1895.

The usual date given for the great discovery is the year 1897. That is the year in which the first shipment of gold was sent down the Yukon and then by steamer to Seattle. Very little, if any, news of the great "strike" had gotten to the outsider. The news of the million dollar shipment electrified the world. The striking of claims took place in the summer of 1896 and the winter of 1897 they began to take out gravel "dumps," which had to wait till the water ran in the spring of 1897 for the "clean-up." Water is a necessary concomitant of placer mining.

The gold bearing gravel is dumped or shoveled into a sluice box through which a fast stream of water called a "sluice-head" is directed. The gravel and gross is carried out of the sluice box and is called tailings. The gold on account of the gravity will sink into "ripples" at the bottom.

A stream which has a good grade

back and a ditch dug on the side of hill, and enough water for a "sluice head" ran into it. The ditch carries the water along the hillside, and the impression is created that it is running up hill like some of our Maritime "Magnetic" hills. A grade of one quarter inch in every 12 feet makes quite a fast flowing stream; an Indian said, "White man heap damn fool all a time make water run up hill."

Henderson spent the winter in that wilderness, inhabited by wolves, moose and grizzly bears. His supplies ran out about the time the ice was out of the Yukon in the spring of 1896, and he went back up river to Ladue's Post for more supplies. Going up a fast flowing river is arduous and slow work. There are places where rowing or poling is impossible. "Liming" (walking a long the high bank dragging the boat by tow-line) is the only method.

Henderson told Cormack and the others of his luck and invited them to come to see his "prospect." About a week after Henderson returned, Cormack and an Indian called Tagish Charlie and two or three squaws came to visit him. They were all excited about the discovery and they all wanted to "stake." He was a sterling man of high principles—also with strong likes and dislikes. Indians happened to be one of his particular animadversions. He told Cormack he could "stake," but he refused to let the Indians stake. The doughty and redoubtable Indians called "Shookum" (strong) Jim was in Cormack's

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