

Mrs. Wolf Tells of Harrowing Experience

Portland Woman After Being Told Her Case Was Hopeless Recovers Lost Health, Gains 65 Pounds, Thanks Tanlac

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At Sea Carolyn Wells

WHAT HAS GONE BEFORE Garrett Folsom is stabbed to death while swimming at Ocean Town, N. J.

Folsom's bathing companions had been Roger Neville, a business partner; Mrs. Helen Barnaby and Carmelita Valdon. Anastasia Folsom, eccentric and masterful sister of the dead man, arrives and takes command. At the inquest it is learned that the death weapon was a pichaq, an Or-

iental knife, and it had been bought on the boardwalk.

It is learned that one Croydon Sears is a fancier of curious weapons. He admits buying two knives but not the pichaq.

Anastasia engages Titus Riggs, an architect, to work on the case. Dan Pelton, the dead man's nephew arrives and is intrigued by some curious French dolls in Folsom's room.

Croydon Sears' initials are discovered in a notebook of Folsom's and Pelton thinks his uncle had been doing some blackmailing. Robin Sears, Croydon's son, is worried now that suspicion is resting on his father. Riggs tells him he has learned that Croydon Sears had purchased a third dagger. Angelica Fair, Robin's fiancée, questions Riggs, the dead man's former valet, who tells her he thinks Sears had visited at Folsom's home.

Now go on with the story:

CHAPTER XXXIV

"You think! Don't you know? Don't you know whether Croydon Sears was over at Mr. Folsom's home?" Angelica Fair insisted.

"He was once, to my knowledge," replied Ross.

"What was the occasion?"



"No, Tite, I didn't murder Garrett Folsom, but there are reasons why I want the murderer found."

"It was a sort of reception, Miss Fair. Mr. Folsom was having a small exhibition of his art treasures. You know, Mr. Folsom traveled a lot and collected many things such as interesting Mr. Sears. I remember seeing him at that time, but I'm not sure of any other time, Miss."

"Oh, well, I don't suppose it matters. I don't believe I know much about detective work. And anyway, I don't believe Mr. Sears killed Mr. Folsom, do you?"

"I shouldn't think so, ma'am, and with that they were in sight of the Majestic and Angel hurried off to her bathhouse."

As Robin Sears and Riggs entered the auction room, it was Robin who took the lead.

Demanding the proprietor, in a time which brought him a warning glance from Riggs, he asked for a private interview.

On learning who he was, this was readily granted, and Mr. Giddings, who represented the absent Mr. Barchester, took them into a private office.

"I'd like to know," Robin began, "if you'd be good enough to tell me of all the knives or daggers my father has bought here."

"I can tell you of most of them."

"Why the length of face?" Sears asked, looking at his son.

"He sealed, my friend, and I'll tell you," returned Robin, looking back at him affectionately.

They all sat down, and now and then prompted or corrected by Tite Riggs, Robin gave his father a strict and full account of the interview with the auctioneer.

As the tale finished, Croydon Sears sat a full five minutes thinking.

Then, reaching out his hand for a yellow pad of telegram forms which was in a pigeon hole of the desk, he wrote out a message.

"Take it down to the desk, Robin boy, and send it off. Leave Tite here. Read the thing as you go down."

Robin did as bidden, and was more than slightly mystified to find the message was to his father's private secretary, and said: "Rush Fleming Stone here as soon as possible."

Implicitly confident as Robin was of his father's innocence, it was a satisfaction to note how the elder man had looked as he grasped the situation.

To be sure, he had waited a few moments to consider, to be sure, he had seen a hurry call for a great and famous detective, but his fine, clear eyes had shown no hint of fear or shame and his face, though grave, was calm and serene as he looked at his son.

"He sent for Stone," Croydon Sears told Riggs.

"Fleming Stone?"

"Yes. Not every one could command his services so quickly, but he and I are old friends, and I happen to know he is on vacation and I'm sure he will not only be glad to come to my assistance, but he will enjoy a few days down here."

"Your assistance?" and Tite Riggs looked frankly curious.

"Yes, just that. No, Tite, I didn't murder Garrett Folsom, not that. But there are reasons, strong reasons, why I want the murderer found, the mystery solved."

(To be continued.)

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LOCAL STUDENT

WINS SCHOLARSHIP

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Lyle Weed, a sophomore, has been awarded a scholarship to Ashbury College, Wilmore, Kentucky, involving an approximate stipend for one year of \$400, according to word received here this week. The scholarship came as an award for an oration which Mr. Weed entered in a contest at Berkeley under auspices of the Epworth League of the Methodist Church, South. Mr. Weed's oration was the only one which fulfilled all the requirements.

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Then he's your murderer!" cried Robin. "Of course, he'd give a fictitious name, and, on the other hand, do you suppose my father would be such a fool as to buy a dagger here where he is well known, and then go out and kill somebody with it?"

Mr. Giddings only murmured polite words that sounded well but meant nothing, and the two went away and walked slowly toward home.

"You see," began Robin eagerly, but the other stopped him.

"Listen here, boy," Riggs said. "Say all you like to me, or to your father, or to your sweetheart, but don't air your views on detection in public."

"Why not?"

"Just for one reason: that they are invariably wrong. For instance, the buyer of that bundle giving a fictitious name doesn't write him down a murderer at all. He might be an antique dealer in a small way, who, if he gave his real name and had his purchases traced, could not put upon them the exorbitant prices which he no doubt plans to do. Next, granting your father bought that dagger, and subsequently chose to use it on somebody, that would not prove him a fool, because whoever did that killing depended on the sea to hide forever the weapon of his guilt, not realizing that it would almost inevitably be found."

"Then he WAS a fool."

"No, I should have thought myself that the heavy metal would have been ground into the sand forever."

"Next, Riggs, old man," Robin said, his jaws set like a fighter, "we go straight to Croydon Rochester Sears with this tale."

"We?"

"Yes, sir, we."

And so, on reaching the Hotel Majestic, two somewhat harassed looking sleuths demanded and obtained audience with C. R. S.

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