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A VERY SIMPLE DETECTIVE CASE.

By **BERTHA DALSOP.**
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"Waiter, call a cab."
So spoke Walter De Forest while sitting in the cafe of his club. In a few minutes the waiter announced that the cab was at the door. De Forest went out, gave a street and number to the cabman and got into the cab. There, before him on the seat, lay a package.

"Ah," exclaimed De Forest, "some one has lost something."

Taking up the package, he opened it and saw on the top a bank bill for \$1,000. He opened his eyes very wide. Lifting the bill, he came upon another for the same amount. He opened his eyes wider. Fifty bills, each for \$1,000, were in the parcel.

He looked at the wrapper. There was neither name nor mark on it to give the slightest clue to its ownership. He tied up the package and put it in his pocket. On reaching his destination he said to the driver:

"Who was the last person in this cab before me?"

"A young lady, sir."

"What name?"

"I don't know, sir."

"Where did she engage you?"

"She called me from the sidewalk."

"Where did she tell you to drive?"

"To 84 Union street."

Mr. De Forest started. "Did you take her there?"

"No, sir. A pair of horses were plunging in the crowd of vehicles beside us. I drove on, but when I got down to open the door there was no one inside. I think the lady got scared and slipped out."

"Did you go to the location she gave you to collect your fare?"

"Not yet, sir."

"How much does she owe you?"

"A dollar."

"Here it is. I know the lady. I'll tell her."

"Thank you, sir."

The coincidence was a strange one. Julia Drayton, aged twenty-one, that day had been paid in bills a legacy of \$50,000. She had stepped from a bank to the sidewalk, got into a cab, suffered from a fright, jumped out and left her fortune inside. Walter De Forest was an admirer of hers and had at the time made up his mind that he would marry her if he could. Money was no special object to him.

The next morning he saw an advertisement in the papers of a large reward for the lost money. In the evening he called on Miss Drayton. The servant who received him said that her mistress was indisposed.

"Tell her that I have called to speak to her about her loss," said De Forest, and in a few moments Miss Drayton came down. She was much agitated.

"I saw an advertisement this morning," he said, "which from its reading I think must be yours."

"I have lost my inheritance."

De Forest asked her to tell him the story, which she did.

"I am very sorry for you," he said when she had finished, "indeed so sorry that I am going to exercise my ingenuity to find who has the bills. I have a plan that I will put into operation, and if it succeeds I shall recover your fortune."

"All of it?" she gasped.

"All or none."

"But there is the reward."

"That we may talk of after getting the bills."

Mr. De Forest called often to report progress. Miss Drayton begged him to tell her of his methods, but he assured her it was not best. Though at times he spoke encouragingly and at times the reverse, he continually kept her up by a steadfast hope.

One evening De Forest left the young lady conscious of the fact that he might as well bring his detective investigations to a close. A few days later he showed Miss Drayton a piece of paper on which was scrawled by some illiterate person an agreement to return fifty \$1,000 bank bills provided that immunity were guaranteed. Miss Drayton caught her breath. But De Forest reminded her of the many frauds in such matters and warned her not to feel too sure. Nevertheless she wrung his hand.

A week passed, during which Miss Drayton suffered alternate chills and fever—chills of despondency and fever of hope. And all the while she was thinking of that good, kind man who was devoting his time, his energies, his genius, for investigation to the return of her lost fortune.

One day she received a note from De Forest notifying her that if her doorbell rang between 7 and 8 that evening she would do well to answer it herself. At a quarter to 8 the bell rang. Miss Drayton opened the door. A man in working clothes handed her a package and without a word hurried away. Turning to the light, she opened the package and saw her lost bills. Counting them, she found all she had lost.

She was still in a delirium of joy when the bell rang again. She flew to the door and admitted Mr. De Forest. She could not control herself. Throwing her arms around his neck, she wept for joy.

There was one and only one matter to be settled between them. That was Mr. De Forest's reward for his patient labors. Miss Drayton asked him to name it and it should be his.

Then he told her that the reward he had been working for was herself. She kept her word.

"TOO RICH TO WED."

Young Spreckels, Heir to Sugar Millions, Denies His Is a Sweet Lot. Claus Spreckels, son of John D. Spreckels, who did not marry Adele Case, says, according to a Chicago dispatch, that he is among the "too rich." Said the heir of the sugar millions: "I shall do as father wishes. He said he'd rather have me be a sugar king than a chorus man, so he told me not to get married."

"There are too classes of unfortunates in this world who cannot afford to marry young. They are those who are either too rich or too poor. I happen to be in the former class, but might as well be in the latter. They are equally unfortunate."

"There is said to be so much in store for me in this life that I am trying to begin to choose what I may best enjoy; hence I must obscure myself in the branches of the family tree and wait until I am mature enough to start one of my own. For the other class there is so little to enjoy that the wise ones say they must save until they are older. They will enjoy it more."

"I have so much money that I cannot afford to get married. If I had to get married in order to eat it would be different. But I have too much of life before me. No, I never was engaged to Miss Case and may never be. I met her while we were both staying with Frank King Clark of Paris."

"I knew her only in a friendly way; simply admired her, that's all. She became entangled in a lawsuit of some kind in Paris and had to leave sooner than she expected. I was coming home in two weeks anyway, and so I offered to come with her and see her safely on this side of the ocean."

"You see, father had heard of my intended engagement to sing in The Hague and Paris, and I guess he thought that I was going to turn chorus girl. Anyway he flashed the 'C Q D,' said that the sugar business needed me here."

Young Spreckels stopped in Chicago on his leisurely journey to his home in San Diego, Cal.

YOKOHAMA'S BIG DAY.

Japanese Port Will Celebrate Fiftieth Anniversary at Cost of \$250,000.

The celebration of the fiftieth anniversary of the opening of the port of Yokohama, in Japan, to foreign commerce will be held on July 1 and 2 of this year.

It is proposed to spend about \$250,000 in entertainments, and the foreign squadrons of the nations represented in the Pacific and the far east will be invited to the harbor during the celebration. The foreign residents generally have expressed their desire to cooperate in every possible way. Among other things it is proposed to erect a memorial hall especially commemorative of the opening of the port.

CAN A MOOSE GALLOP?

Rev. Dr. Long Calls Roosevelt "Nature Faker" on This Issue.

Rev. Dr. William J. Long of Stamford, Conn., whom former President Roosevelt once attacked as a "nature faker," said in Pittsburg the other day:

"Mr. Roosevelt is neither naturalist nor sportsman. He lived a few months on a ranch and shot game around the cabin. He says he has seen moose galloping, when every man who knows anything about the animal knows that a moose could not possibly gallop. Its means of locomotion make such a gait impossible."

Airship Traveling Trunk.

German ingenuity has lost no time in devising special equipments for airship passengers. One offering is an extremely light airship traveling trunk made of aluminum, with cunning leather attachments for fastening to the airship car. The "malle aero," to give it its international name, has no compartment for the large, fashionable feminine hat yet, but it contains, among other things, a small medicine chest filled with medicaments that may be useful for a sojourn in high altitudes.

Sardine Oil by Tank Car.

A tank car of 163 barrels of cottonseed oil recently shipped from Kentucky for a Maine canning company is said to have arrived at Eastport, Me., a few days ago in good condition. This being the first attempt to ship oil east in other than barrel packages, the experiment was awaited with much interest.

Capture of World's Biggest Tarpon.

A recent telegram from the California Tuna club at Los Angeles from Tarpon, Tex., says that L. G. Murphy while fishing at Tarpon landed the world's record tarpon, measuring six feet six inches in length. The catch was taken on a nine ounce rod with a nine thread line.

Edward Everett Hale.

Some spirits of this world are born to drive. They do not know nor do they care to learn. The gentler means that win. Their natures spur. The noble kindness that keeps alive. The better part of man wherein survive. The human sympathies which always yearn. For those who need direction most and turn. Unwillingly to those too weak to strive. No driver was the spirit of this man. His force of arms, his power in grand display. No poet in resounding verses sings. His glory is not measured by a span. He knew the right, and having shown the way. He led the weak and strong to better things.

-W. J. Lampton in New York Times.

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