

## Colonel Childers' Caller..

By JOHN TRAME

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It was on Colonel Childers' sixtieth birthday that the affair occurred. Some men would have called it an incident, but the colonel insisted upon terming it an affair, and he almost decided that it was of national importance. He had won the Victoria cross for gallant action in India. After his retirement the decoration seldom appeared on his breast. It was brought out only when the Blues or the Horse guards tendered him a little dinner or when there was a meeting of war veterans to praise each other and find fault with the colonels still left in the field.

On this his sixtieth anniversary the Horse guards had announced a banquet in honor of the old veteran, and at the proper hour he left his rooms and made his way by omnibus to their quarters. He had only arrived when he missed his Victoria cross. He felt sure that it had been stolen. During the ride on top of the bus he had had for a fellow passenger a genteel-looking man. They had got down at the same time, and the stranger had somehow stumbled against the colonel. The odds were a thousand to one that the cross had been taken at that instant.

The colonel's indignation was so great that he left the banquet behind him and drove to Scotland Yard. He wanted twenty detectives sent out to hunt down the thief. He wanted to know if Britain had an arm to protect her subjects. He wanted a good deal more, and when the Yard officials refused to enthrone him threatened to have the police system of England upset and re-built on other plans. Taken altogether, the colonel had rather a bad night of it, and he woke up next morning to find that he would spend his last dollar to recover the missing medal.

Two weeks passed and the police still reported no clue. In other words, the complaint had been pigeonholed along with hundreds of others of no more im-

going a little too far. You should have returned the cross next day." "But I didn't know you."

"That's true. Now as to how you got this thing. Was it when you fell against me? You must be as tricky as a professional pickpocket."

"I will show you how it was, colonel," said the stranger as he rose up. "Stand up, please. If you will remember, you got down first. I followed you closely. When you reached the pavement, I was behind you, like this, and as you partly turned your head I—"

The stranger's right arm swept around under the colonel's chin, a knee of iron was pressed into the small of his back, and he was garroted after the most approved fashion in the center of his own sitting room.

It might have been ten minutes later when he recovered consciousness. Then the hero of a dozen battles and the recipient of half a dozen medals found himself treated like a dog. His hands and feet had been tied, a gag inserted in his jaws, and he had been rolled to one side. There were two men in the room, and each had a stout sack and was packing up such articles as could handily be removed. The collection of curios was large and valuable, and the men were connoisseurs. They were in no hurry. They drank the colonel's wine and smoked his cigars as they worked and now and then paused to give him a word of advice on Victoria crosses and advertising.

When the sacks had been filled and carried out to a carriage in waiting, the genteel man returned alone. He hadn't quite finished business. There was a safe in the colonel's bedroom. It was a thief proof safe, but the man had it open in five minutes. There were some jewelry and £250 in cash, and he stowed the plunder away in his pockets. Then he knelt beside the colonel and removed his watch and scarf pin and did not overlook a handful of change. There was nothing more he coveted, and he lighted a cigar, sat down in the easy chair and quietly observed:

"Colonel Childers, you are a fool. When you found your cross missing, you ought to have reasoned that it was not taken for its intrinsic worth, but with some ulterior object in view. In advertising for it you should have had the thief call elsewhere. If here, you should not have sent your valet away. You should have had no curiosity. You should not have let me step behind you. You see the result—the natural result. You are pretty effectually cleaned out, and I am £2,000 ahead of the game. And I will now bid you good night. Your man ought to be back in half an hour, and you will observe that your Victoria cross is left lying on the floor beside you. It has come back to you after many days, and I trust you will pin it on at once and be happy."

**Nobles in Mean Attire.**  
Where did etiquette require nobles to appear before their sovereigns meanly clad?  
This singular custom characterized court ceremonial in ancient Mexico under the Aztec dominion. When the native lords and grandees had occasion to seek the presence of Montezuma they were under the obligation, as Toribio de Benevente, a Spanish Franciscan missionary who accompanied the Conquistador Cortes, testifies, of assuming a voluminous mantle of poor material (una manta grosera y pobre), with which they covered and concealed their ordinary robes, in token of subjection and humiliation.

These were manufactured out of the leaves of the aloe tree by the commoner classes. Etiquette required the strict observance of this custom by all those who came into the emperor's presence, with the exception of persons of the royal blood. Any one seeking audience of the emperor had to don these common clothes on his arrival at the palace. Barefooted and wretchedly clad, he was led before the sovereign and with downcast eyes made his request, with every outward sign of abject subservience.—London Answers.

**Just Like a Man.**  
Mr. Hopperdyke, who had been slightly injured in a railway collision while on a trip away from home, found it necessary to make a stop of a day or two to rest and repair damages. He was not much disabled, however, and he wrote a letter to his wife, telling her of the accident and assuring her that he was all right and that she need not have a moment's uneasiness about him.

When he had posted the letter an idea struck him, and he sent her the following telegram:

Have been hurt in railroad accident. Letter on the way, which will explain. JOHN.

Two days afterward he received this dispatch from her:

Why on earth did you send that horrid telegram?  
His reply was:

I sent it to prepare you for the letter. —Youth's Companion

**Slightly Negligent.**  
A quack who had attended a man during several weeks of illness called one day and presented his bill.

"I can't pay this," said the expectant.

"Why? It's correct."

"I don't doubt it, but I haven't any money; had to pay a life insurance premium this morning, and that took every penny I had."

"What? Is your life insured?"  
"Yes, and at one time, when I did not expect to live but a few hours longer, I told my wife to see that you were paid just as soon as the company paid the amount of the insurance."

"My dear man," the bogus doctor suggestively replied, "I wish I had known that. I think I would have got my money."—Illustrated Bits.



## GRADUAL DECLINE

This is the fate of sufferers from Kidney trouble, as the disease is so insidious that often people have serious Kidney trouble without knowing the real cause of their illness, as diseased kidneys allow the impurities to stay in the system and attack the other organs. This accounts for the many different symptoms of Kidney Disease.

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