

A DOUBLE MISTAKE

By ARTHUR W. BREWSTER

Happy the man in whose daily avocation there is no risk. When I was a young man I went to work for a whole-sale drug firm. One day a retailer wrote from a neighboring town that our concern had sold him a drug that made every one sick who took any of it. It turned out that I had put up the package sold.

I never entirely got over the narrow escape I had had in this case. I received only the usual reprimand from my employers, for no one can perfectly rely on accuracy always. Later I set up for myself as a retailer of drugs. Though our system was perfect, we had some narrow escapes from committing unintentional murder. When any of my clerks made a mistake I impressed upon him the importance of being careful, but I could not in my heart blame them.

There are occasions where a person who is perfectly methodical, adheres to a system, exercises every care and yet will do something that he can never afterward understand why he did it. Then there are occasions when it is impossible to fix the mind on one's work. One day not long after I had set up for myself a young lady came into the store and asked for some harmless medicine. At the same time a man asked for a poison with which to kill bugs. The young lady happened to be the one who impressed me. I couldn't keep my eyes off her. Before the two different packages were ready other persons came in, and I did one of those things I should not have done. Instead of paying no attention to newcomers till after serving those present I undertook to serve all of them. What was the result? When the young lady who had called for a simple remedy and the man who wished a bug poison had gone a horrible suspicion came into my mind that I had given the poison to the young girl. I could not warn her, for I didn't know who she was.

Why had I broken my rule about serving a number of persons at once? I couldn't answer the question except for the reason that I had been very much struck with the young lady. In deed, I had looked at her so admiringly that I had noticed a faint flush come into her cheek. But the fearful consequences of her or any one else taking the dose of the bug poison for the medicine she had called for would surely result fatally.

A crisis hung over my head which, till it had passed, would keep me in a frightful suspense. As soon as the calamity occurred, if I had made the error I feared I had made, the medicine I had sold would be examined, my name would be on the package and I would soon hear of the trouble. The best that could be said for my comfort was that I would not likely be tried for murder, because I had no motive for poisoning any one. But I would carry to my grave the knowledge that I had through carelessness caused the death of the person to whom I had sold it, for I remembered she asked me, "How often shall I take it?"

Furthermore, my business would be ruined and I would not have the heart to go elsewhere and make another start. I made two resolutions in case the trouble fell upon me—first, I would never again start in the drug business; second, I would commit suicide. Every morning and every evening I took up a newspaper with fear and trembling. When a week had passed I felt that the danger was somewhat lessened. But had the young lady died from the effect of poison would there about her surely attribute her death to that cause? This gave me a feeling similar to that of one who may expect at any moment to drop down from heart disease, apoplexy or some other fatal disease.

I am one of those persons whose active, imaginative minds may influence their bodies. I became morbid, then ill, finally from weakness. I took a partner into my business and absent myself from it most of the time. A physician told me that I was going into a decline. But I knew well enough that if I could be assured that I had not killed any one I would be well enough. Finally it occurred to me that if the young lady had not suffered the consequences of my possible error she would likely have visited my store again.

One day I was wandering aimlessly through an unfrequented street tormented by my troubles when, turning a corner, I came face to face with the girl whose fate was driving me into melancholia. There she was, as fresh as life, as healthy, as merry, as fresh as I was. Beside myself with joy, I made one bound, caught her in my arms and covered her face with kisses.

When I realized what I had done I was stricken with a fresh terror lest she have me arrested for assault. Instead, when I released her she smiled at me through her bushes and said, "I knew how you felt toward me the day I went into your store for a prescription." "You know that I?" "Of course. You didn't say it, but you looked it."

"And why have you never come again?" "Do you suppose I'd do that? Not I. It was for you to seek me, not me for you."

We have been married a long while, but to this day she doesn't know why I was so joyful at meeting her again. I wouldn't dare tell her.

MR. MARDFIELD'S CHRISTMAS GRANDSON.

WONDER who they are?" said old Mr. Mardfield.

He was standing at the window of the breakfast room, looking across the sunny street at an unpretending little cottage.

"Whom do you mean, uncle?" asked Clara Barton, who expected to be her granduncle's heiress.

"Why, those people across the way?" "Oh, common folks, I dare say. No body else would live in that house."

Old Mardfield came to the breakfast table. He sighed softly as he took the cup from Clara's jeweled hand.

"Uncle, dear, you are very silent," said Clara.

"It was only thinking, my dear," said the old gentleman apologetically.

"Only thinking?" Yes, his mind had gone back years along the dusty track of time, and he had been mutely pondering upon what the result would have been had he shaped his course differently in the days that were gone.

He had had a son once, of whom he had been proud and fond, and it—"I would have done anything for him—anything," thought Mardfield, swallowing his coffee, "if he would only have been willing to consult my feelings a little. But when he married that western girl it was like drawing a gulf between us, and he knew it. But he's dead now, and even on his deathbed he was too proud to send for his old father."

"These were the thoughts that were passing through old Mardfield's mind as the old gentleman was returning from a walk later in the cool sunshine a little fellow hanging over the gate accosted him eagerly.

"Sir, are you Santa Claus?" "Not that I know of. Why?" "You are like the picture in my book," said the boy—a fat old gentleman, with a long white beard and lots of parcels. And my mamma said Santa Claus wouldn't come to our house 'cause we were so poor. And I want a stocking full of toys, like the other boys, and a new sled, and a pair of skates, and I thought if I saw Santa Claus I'd ask him."

Here a soft voice from the window called "Lionel! Lionel!" and the apparition slipped down from the gate and ran away.

"A cunning little rascal!" thought Mardfield. "Santa Claus, eh? An old gentleman with a long white beard—hat hah! And I might have had just such a chubby rascal of a grandson as that if only I wonder if they would object to my adopting him? Santa Claus, eh? Well, I believe I will turn Santa Claus for once!"

The stars were shining out, tiny points of gold, through the darkness of the Christmas eve, when Mr. Mardfield knocked at the door of the little cream colored cottage.

"Come in!" a gentle voice called, and Mardfield, groping his way through a semilighted hallway, found himself in the presence of a sweet faced woman, in a pillow chair, her fingers busied in some piece of knitting.

"Madam, I am bowing courteously, 'I am Santa Claus'."

And then he told her the story of how little Lionel had accosted him in the morning.

"You are very kind, sir," said the woman tremulously. "We are poor—so poor, in fact, that the barest necessities of life are sometimes beyond our reach—and little Lionel's dream of Santa Claus must have gone unrealized if it were not for your thoughtful consideration."

She smiled faintly, with a motion of her white transparent hand toward the chimney, but as Mr. Mardfield turned round to look he started as if smitten by some sudden blow.

"My God!" he gasped, "whose picture is that hanging over the mantel?" "My husband's portrait, sir."

"Your husband's? Then, and he turned once more to face her, "you are Charles's wife?"

"My husband's name was Charles Mardfield," she answered. Little Lionel, awakened by the loud voice in which the old gentleman had spoken, sat up in his bed, with disheveled curls and big eyes.

"Santa Claus, Santa Claus!" he cried. "Mamma, I know he'd come!" "My child," said Mr. Mardfield, lifting the little form in his arms, "Santa Claus has sent you a grandfather."

California Woman Seriously Alarmed

A short time ago I contracted a severe cold which settled on my lungs and caused me a great deal of annoyance. I would have had coughing spells and my lungs were so sore and inflamed I began to be seriously alarmed. A friend recommended Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, saying she had used it for years. I bought a bottle and it relieved my cough the first night, and in a week I was rid of my cold and soreness of my lungs." writes Miss Mary Gerber, Sausalito, Calif. For sale by Huntley Bros. Co.

The Womanly Touch.

Adam was showing Eve through the cave. "This is the living room," he said. "It is furnished as luxuriously as possible in these prehistoric days. I have spared no expense on it, and yet it lacks something or other, some final touch that I cannot name."

Eve took a swift look around. Then she pulled the magazine table out a little from the wall, gave the Morris chair a twist, laid a book on the window sill and kicked the tiger skin rug back a foot from the door.

"Wonderful!" cried Adam and gazed open mouthed at the magical transformation. The cave was more than a cave now. It was a home.

There's no place like home.—Newark News.

Sinister. A nonconformist clergyman in Manchester is chucking over a letter he recently received from the vicar of a certain parish church. He had written to the vicar asking for permission to conduct a funeral in the churchyard.

"He immediately sent me a most courteous note," the nonconformist clergyman said, "but I could not help noticing that it would be possible to give to his words a sinister meaning. The note ran: 'You will, best tomorrow and at any other time, be most welcome in our churchyard.'—London Answers.

Getting Even. "Oh, George, dear," she whispered when he slipped the engagement ring on her tapering finger, "how sweet of you to remember just the sort of stone I preferred! None of the others was ever so thoughtful!"

George was staggered, but for a moment. Then he came back with: "This is the one I've always used."—London Stray Stories.

Eccentric. "Snags is a most eccentric chap." "Yes?" "Sure! He has named his place Pine Terrace."

"Well, what of it?" "Well, he has pine trees and a terrace."—Judge's Library.

RALEIGH, N. C. CHILD

Made Strong and Well by Vinol. When we tell you that Vinol is the best remedy in our whole stock for making weak, puny, ailing children strong, robust and rosy, we are only telling you what has been proved by hundreds of mothers.

Mrs. W. O. Strother, Raleigh, N. C., says: "My little girl, Hazel, has been taking Vinol to build her up after a severe spell of sickness. It has done so much good by restoring her appetite and building up her strength that I think Vinol is the finest tonic ever prepared, and I am telling everyone about it."

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SUMMONS. In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon for Clackamas County.

L. H. Sutherland, Plaintiff, vs. Bessie D. Sutherland, Defendant, the above named Defendant.

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SHERIFF'S SALE

In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Clackamas, T. A. Garbade, Plaintiff, vs. C. K. Letzel, Defendant.

By virtue of a judgment order, decree and execution duly issued out of and under the seal of the above entitled court, in the above entitled cause, to me duly directed and dated the 12th day of December, 1912, upon a judgment rendered and entered in said court on the 23rd day of November, 1912, in favor of T. A. Garbade, plaintiff, and against C. K. Letzel, defendant, for the sum of \$1,350.00, with interest thereon at the rate of 6 per cent per annum from the 23rd day of November, 1912, and the further sum of \$25.00, costs and disbursements, and the costs of and upon this writ, commanding me to make sale of the following described real property, situate in the county of Clackamas, state of Oregon, to-wit:

The east half (1/2) of the north-west quarter (1/4) and the west half (1/2) of Section Fourteen (14) of Township seven (7) south, Range two (2) east of the Willamette Meridian in Clackamas county, Oregon.

Now, therefore, by virtue of said execution, judgment order, decree and execution duly issued out of and under the seal of the above entitled court, I will on Saturday, the 11th day of January, 1913, at the hour of 10 o'clock a. m., at the front door of the court house in the city of Oregon City, in said county and state, sell and publish subject to redemption, to the highest bidder, for U. S. gold coin, cash in hand, all the right, title, and interest which the within named defendant or either of them had on the date of the mortgage herein or since had in or to the above described real property or any part thereof, to satisfy said execution, judgment order, decree, interests, costs and all accruing costs.

E. T. MASS, Sheriff of Clackamas county, Ore. By B. J. Staats, Deputy. Dated, Oregon City, Oregon, Dec. 14, 1912.

SUMMONS. In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Clackamas, Edwin S. Thomas, Plaintiff, vs. Nella E. Thomas, Defendant.

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SUMMONS. In the Circuit Court of the State of Oregon, for the County of Clackamas, Myrtle R. Holesworth, Plaintiff, vs. Edley W. Holesworth, Defendant.

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