

THE DIAMOND BUTTON

FROM THE DIARY OF A LAWYER AND THE NOTE BOOK OF A REPORTER.

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CHAPTER XII.

TWO VISITORS WHO INCREASE THE INTEREST.

HOLBROOK had not been in his office long the next morning before Tom made his appearance...

"Well, I did give it subsequently when I found the concealment was subjecting me to suspicion. Briefly it was this: My mother had reason to believe that she was closely related to a gentleman who had died in this city some time ago...

"That's so," replied Holbrook, producing it. "Here it is." Tom took it, and as he did so he said: "My shadow turned up bright and early this morning with information of Fountain."

"Well," said Holbrook, "I don't know much. He is a physician who doesn't practice. Member of the Union club and the Lamba, at which he spends most of his time when he is not practicing athletics and visiting the women. Lives in apartments in Thirty-fourth street. I've got the number; visits the Witherspoons frequently and other families in the same set. Is supposed to have enough money to support him as an elegant man of leisure, but not enough for extravagance; is seen at the theatres and the opera in the season frequently. Has a chess table in Fifth street; has no horses, drinks sparingly, breakfasts where he pleases, and dines at the Union club, when he doesn't dine on invitation. Keeps a man, who has been very useful to my shadow."

"But who is he? Who's his father?" "Shadow hadn't got that, so I trotted him out again. I think that is probably a cut above him and that I will have to pursue the inquiry myself. But I must be off."

"He was about to step to the door when the messenger entered and handed a card to Holbrook." "The devil!" said Holbrook. "Does he visit you frequently?" innocently inquired Tom. "Let me retire, if you please, before he enters."

"Hold on. Stop here, boy," he handed the card to Tom, who read: "Mr. Henry Forester Fountain, 1132 E. 24th Street."

"The devil!" said Tom. "Fountain said that himself." "This is following things up," said Tom. "Tom, get behind that screen and hear what he has to say."

Tom concealed himself behind the screen where Holbrook's typewriter usually did her work. Fountain entered with an easy and polite air. "Mr. Holbrook, I assume?" "At your service, Mr. Fountain."

"My call upon you, Mr. Holbrook, I apprehend is almost futile, but as I am engaged upon an enterprise somewhat clouded and intricate, I feel as if I ought to make no effort unmade, however improbable."

Holbrook bowed. "If I have not been misinformed," continued Fountain, "you were in partnership with the late Judge Harker?" "Until the day of his death," replied Holbrook.

"And for several years previous?" "Yes, from the day I was admitted to practice. The partnership lasted five years. The judge has been dead nearly four."

"My information was correct, then. The judge had for a client one Charles Pierson?" "Not during my connection with him."

"Indeed! I supposed the relation between Mr. Pierson and Judge Harker, as counsel and client, continued until the death of the judge."

"No, you are misinformed. When I entered the office of Judge Harker to get law, all relations between them had ceased and the affairs were being closed up."

"The affairs of Mr. Pierson were extensive?" "I have so heard from Judge Harker. They had a difference in respect of some matter, I never heard what, and quarreled bitterly—the relations were abruptly terminated. The judge would never speak of the reason."

"Ah, then there is no hope that any papers belonging to Mr. Pierson may have remained in the hands of the judge or his successor?" "No, I recollect that the judge was scrupulous in returning every scrap of paper and even memoranda to Mr. Pierson."

"Do you not know his name?" asked Holbrook. "I know what it was two years ago. Not what it is now. However, it is an old story of deep wrong and injury, and is not what I came to see you about. I believe, Mr. Holbrook, you were a partner of the late Judge Harker?"

Holbrook could hardly repress a start. He wondered if this was also an inquiry after Pierson's papers. "Yes," he replied simply; frankly determined that he would show no emotion whatever questions might be asked him.

"May I ask when that partnership began?" "Yes, it was eight years ago the first of last January."

"Ah, nearly nine years ago." The old man pondered a short time. "Was Mr. Charles Pierson a client of the judge's at that time?"

Holbrook was prepared for this question, yet it was with difficulty he could repress his surprise. "No, the connection ceased through a quarrel before I came as a student to the judge three years previous."

"Hum." The old man pondered again. "What lawyer succeeded the judge with Mr. Pierson?" "I don't know. The judge would say little about the matter. I know of it only through tradition in the office."

"Were all the papers of Mr. Pierson returned to him?" "Every one, religiously, scrupulously—so scrupulously as to remain, as I said, a tradition in the office. It was much talked of when I came in, because Mr. Pierson had been a valued and profitable client."

"Yes, I presume so." "Dardon me," said Holbrook, "may I ask the reason of this inquiry? Twice before by different persons I have had these inquiries made?"

"By two different persons," spoke up the old man sharply. "How long ago?" "There was great eagerness in his manner and tone. 'Within a month, I should imagine.' 'Two, you say? What were their names?' This was demanded almost fiercely. 'Mon or woman?'"

"Dardon me," said Holbrook coldly, "you demand the names and information as if I were compelled to give them." The old man glared at him savagely, but Holbrook continued calmly.

"However, as a matter of fact, I can not recollect the names. The inquiries made little or no impression on me, and I answered them as I have answered them. It is only now when you come—a third—with practically the same inquiries, that my curiosity is excited. They were both men," he added.

"Both men," repeated the old man, evidently puzzled and alarmed. "They were not the same person calling twice?" "Upon my word it would be hard for me to recollect were it not for the fact that they called the same day, and he added under his breath, 'May I be forgiven for that lie. I recollect it,' he continued, 'because I was preparing a brief for an important case and I was annoyed at the interruptions. I presume they had references—as I presume yours do—to some action before the courts in relation to his unclaimed property.'"

"I presume so," said the old man, rising. "I am employed by a client to establish a claim against the property. I am an attorney. I find it difficult to construct a chain of evidence. There is a missing link, which must be among the late Mr. Pierson's papers. I am anxious to find the possibility of a second contestant, when I supposed there was but one."

"May I ask you that one?" "You will pardon me if I maintain that as a secret." Holbrook could only assent gracefully. The old man made him good day and then departed.

"Your story may be true, or it may not, but I am inclined to believe the latter," said Holbrook aloud when he was alone. He picked up the card again and read the name. He touched the bell which summoned his managing clerk.

"When that person entered he said: 'Clark, do you know a lawyer by the name of George Parker?'" "Yes, that was the man who just passed on."

"What do you know about him?" "Not much, and what I do, not to his advantage. A rather shady character. Said to have been disbarred many years ago. But I imagine he has been restored. I'd like very much to see him."

"He cannot for information which I couldn't, and therefore didn't, give him." "It was for no good, I'll bet," replied the clerk as he left Holbrook. To be continued.

CHAPTER XIII. THE INTEREST IS CONSIDERABLY HEIGHTENED. HOLBROOK'S reverie, however, was soon disturbed. The messenger came in with another card. He read, "Mr. Geo. Parker."

I looked to the conclusion that you were a person for whom I have been looking these two years—a man from Chicago—to find whom I would give half of all I am worth or as good as my word."

An angry look leaped into his eyes, while vindictiveness was plainly apparent. "Do you not know his name?" asked Holbrook.

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