

# DOINGS OF THE WEEK

## Current Events of Interest Gathered From the World at Large.

### General Resume of Important Events Presented in Condensed Form for Our Busy Readers.

It is reported that rurales of Mexico are joining the forces of General Diaz.

Governor Johnson, Roosevelt's running mate, will fill many of his duties.

Colonel Roosevelt was somewhat wearied by his all-day ride to Pittsburgh, en route to Oyster Bay.

Witnesses told in detail of secret accounts kept by the Structural Ironworkers union in the dynamiting cases.

The latest developments in the Mexican situation are commanding the earnest attention of the War department.

A large force of Bulgarians is within twelve miles of Adrianople, and the Turkish garrison faces a desperate struggle.

Pittsburg friends of Carnegie paid \$30,000 duty on gems which they "forgot" to declare when they entered the United States.

Clad only in pajamas and armed with a hatpin, a girl student in a Wisconsin seminary routed a burglar whom she found in her room.

General Porfirio Diaz, deposed president of Mexico, will remain in Paris for the present, although much interested in the success of his nephew.

The transport *Parisic*, with 750 marines and a United States commission on board, has been missing for 20 days and fears are felt for her safety.

The astrologer who predicted a violent death for President McKinley, now says there will be no choice for president by the people on November 5.

The director of the Smith observatory at Geneva, N. Y., has discovered a comet in the eastern sky. This is the 27th comet discovered by the professor.

A guard from the Rawlins, Wyo., penitentiary, who was sent to Salina, Or., on business, says he saw more roses there than he had seen in 25 years before.

Professor Aaronsohn, director of an experiment station in Jerusalem maintained by wealthy Chicago men, has discovered the original wheat plant growing wild in Palestine, and by crossing it with well known varieties believes he can double the productivity of wheat fields.

The war in the Balkans is expected to be of short duration.

Roosevelt says he hopes the presidential fight will go right on.

The bail of Schrank, Roosevelt's would-be assassin, has been doubled, making it \$15,000.

Senator Heyburn, of Idaho, is dead as the result of persistent overwork while in failing health.

Mexico is concentrating her entire military forces in an effort to put down the new revolution of Felix Diaz.

A German railway manager has disappeared with about \$100,000 in his possession, and defalcations in his accounts of over \$5,000,000.

The only passenger boat at Vera Cruz, Mexico, is kept in readiness to take away non-combatants in case of a battle between rebels and government forces.

An Italian at Wilmington, Del., threatened to shoot Wilson if he attempted to speak in that city. Many extra guards were placed at the hall but no trouble was experienced.

## PORTLAND MARKETS

Wheat—Track prices: Club, 77¢; 78c; bluestem, 80¢@82c; fortyfold, 78c; red Russian, 76c; valley, 75c.

Hay—Timothy, choice, \$17@18; No. 1, \$16; cut and vetch, \$12; alfalfa, \$12; clover, \$10; straw, \$6@7.

Corn—Whole, \$38; cracked, \$39 ton. Millstuffs—Bran, \$21 per ton; shorts, \$23; middlings, \$29.

Barley—Feed, \$24@24.50 ton; brewing, \$27@28; rolled, \$26@27.50.

Oats—White, \$25 ton; gray, \$24.50; gray milling, \$25.50.

Fresh fruits—Apples, ordinary, 50¢ @ \$1.50 box; peaches, 40¢@50¢; pears, \$1@1.50; grapes, 65¢@81¢; cranberries, 95¢ per barrel; casabas, 75¢ @ \$1.50 dozen.

Onions—Oregon, \$1.10@1.25 sack. Potatoes—Jobbing prices: Burbanks, 75¢ per hundred.

Vegetables—Beans, 5¢; pound; cabbage, 16¢@18¢; cauliflower, 40¢@51.25 dozen; celery, 25¢@75¢; cucumbers, 40¢@50¢ box; eggplant, \$1.25@1.50 box; head lettuce, 20¢@25¢ dozen; garlic, 50¢@60¢ pound; carrots, \$1.25 sack; turnips, \$1; beets, \$1.10; parsnips, \$1.25.

Eggs—Fresh locals, candled, 40¢ per dozen; case count, 35¢@36¢.

Butter—Oregon creamery, cubes, 35¢ pound; prints, 36¢@37¢.

Pork—Fancy, 11¢ pound. Veal—Fancy, 13¢ pound.

Poultry—Hens, 14¢; broilers, 13¢@14¢; ducks, young, 12¢@14¢; geese, 11¢; turkeys, live, 18¢@20¢; dressed, 25¢.

Hops—1912 crop, prime and choice, 18¢@20¢ pound.

Wool—Eastern Oregon, 14¢@18¢ pound; valley, 21¢@22¢; mohair, choice, 32¢.

Cattle—Choice steers, \$6.75@7; good, \$6.25@6.65; medium, \$6@6.75; choice cows, \$6@6.50; good, \$5.50@6.75; medium, \$5@5.25; choice calves, \$7@8.75; good heavy calves, \$6.25@7; bulls, \$3@5; stags, \$4.75@5.25.

Hogs—Light, \$8.25@8.70; heavy, \$7@7.50.

Sheep—Yearlings, \$4.25@4.85; wethers, \$3.60@4.50; ewes, \$2.75@4; lambs, \$3.85@6.75.

# THOUSAND ARE DEAD IN TYPHOON IN PHILIPPINES

Manila—The typhoon that swept over several of the Philippine islands on October 16 resulted in the death of more than 1000 persons. Four unidentified Americans, three men and a little girl, were among those killed.

The coasting steamer *Tayabas* foundered off Escalante. The bodies of 15 Filipinos and Spaniards came ashore.

The typhoon virtually wiped out the towns of Bogo, Danao, Toledo, Maasin and Escalante.

Washington, D. C.—The casualties are estimated at 400 on the island of Cebu, according to a dispatch to the bureau of insular affairs.

It was reported many vessels were sunk in the harbor, hundreds of small craft were driven ashore by a tidal wave, and that possibly half of the 500,000 persons on the island were made homeless.

## GREEKS ROUT 600 TURKS.

### Artillery Duel Begins Fight—Siege Guns Captured.

London—An order has been given to the army of Thrace to take a vigorous offensive movement against Bulgaria, according to a Constantinople dispatch to the Daily Telegraph.

The Turkish fleet has been recalled from the Black sea and ordered to pass through the Dardanelles, with instructions to seek out and attack the Greek fleet.

An Athens dispatch to the Telegraph says that after a preliminary artillery duel between the Greeks and 6000 Turks at Elasona, the Greek infantry charged repeatedly and finally dislodged the Turks, capturing their siege guns.

The Turks retired north. It is estimated that 10,000 Turks are concentrating at Servia, a small town in Macedonia, 20 miles from Mount Olympus, with strong artillery.

The Montenegrins have captured Nueva and Gunture, but they are regarded as minor affairs and no real resistance was offered.

The Turkish warships fired one hundred rounds at Varna but without effect, says a Sofia dispatch to the Times. Two Bulgarian torpedo boats then issued from the harbor and engaged the squadron, one ship of which withdrew. It is believed she was struck by a torpedo, but not seriously damaged.

Eventually the Turks proceeded to Balchik, 25 miles to the north, where they indulged in another harmless bombardment. They then returned to Varna but kept at a respectful distance, apparently fearing mines.

At nightfall the Bulgarian torpedo boats came out again, but no engagement was reported. The Turkish squadron was at Varna on Sunday, but did not open fire.

Another dispatch to the Times says that a Bulgarian column from Koustendil captured Djumbala, Mahonia and Banksko, in the Bazlog district, without resistance. Several villages were burned by the retreating Turks.

A Saloniki dispatch, dated October 18, says a battle between Turks and Servians was in progress north of Pristina.

An interview with Kiamil Pasha, president of the council, is sent by the Constantinople correspondent of the Chronicle. Protesting against King Ferdinand's attempt to make a holy war of the struggle, Kiamil Pasha expressed fears of the intervention by a certain armed power which he thought might attack Turkey's Asiatic provinces, now vulnerable because the troops have been drafted from there into European Turkey. Kiamil Pasha said:

"I am convinced that Europe's boats of humanity is dead. King Ferdinand's holy war is only that of a puppet to strike at Turkey's heart. I hope that England will be true to her splendid past and stand by us unflinchingly in the approaching hour of national peril and prevent our being absolutely crushed."

"As an old man with one foot in the grave, I express with all seriousness the fear that the Balkan war will be the prelude of a gigantic struggle involving Europe."

### Marconi May Lose Sight.

Spesia, Italy—Guglielmo Marconi, the wireless inventor, whose right eye was removed last Thursday, has developed alarming symptoms. He has sleepless nights, his temperature is high, and he is suffering great pain.

Professor Bayardi, the Turin specialist, who assisted at the operation of removing the right eye, was summoned in haste and is now attending Marconi. Notwithstanding a reassuring bulletin issued Sunday, it is feared that complications are threatening the other eye.

### Tobacco-User Dies at 10.

Chicago—Joseph Marski died here Sunday, aged 10 years and two months. He had been an inveterate tobacco user all his life, but when he was 105 years of age he decided to reform and quit tobacco. He has also used liquor moderately all his life up to his 95th year, when he decided to abandon the use of intoxicants. He celebrated his 110th birthday last August, and the occasion was made much of by his large circle of friends. He was born in Posen, Germany, and when 40 years of age came to this country.

### Threats Airman Killed.

Bordeaux—A French aviator, Amorse Lacour, was killed Sunday while giving an exhibition of fancy flying at Muesidan. A heavy gust of wind overturned his monoplane, and the aviator fell 500 feet.

### Berlin—A balloon exploded Monday while sailing through a thunder storm over Grossenheim. The two occupants, Lieutenant Stiecher and Engineer Goericke, were killed.

### Montenegrins Win Two-Days' Battle

Cettinje, Montenegro—It is officially announced that the Montenegrin forces have captured the town of Plava. The battle lasted two days.

# INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT OF THE STATE

## WEST WOULD CUT COST.

### Change to Be Urged in Transportation of Convicts.

Salem—The system of transportation of convicts from the place of conviction to the state penitentiary will be materially changed at what promises to be a great saving, according to plans which Governor West is making for a recommendation, to be incorporated in his message to the next legislature, and founded on the results which have been secured in the change made in transportation of patients to the state insane asylum.

Under the old law patients were transported to the asylum under the care of a sheriff or his deputy. Now an attendant is sent from the asylum to bring in the patient.

Under the old law covering transportation for asylum patients to that institution from the place of conviction, the records show that for the 22 months between January, 1903, and October, 1904, the average cost for transportation of the insane under the old law was \$64.51 per patient.

Under the new law the average cost is shown to be \$36.17, or almost half the cost that was charged under the old law. With the transportation of several hundred patients annually it amounts into a handsome saving.

During 1911 it cost the state a total of \$10,344 to transport patients from the place of conviction to the prison. Of this amount \$672 was for expenses incidental to transportation of patients and officers. The per diem of sheriffs and guards amounted to approximately \$2200. On the ratio of the saving on transportation of insane, a saving of practically 50 per cent, or about \$5000 annually, would be made in transporting prisoners.

## STRAWBERRY CROP GOOD.

### Tollman Farmer Produces Second Growth of Fine Fruit.

Albany—A unique plan to produce two crops of strawberries of his vines each year has been devised by J. R. Briggs, a farmer residing near Tallman.

Mr. Briggs has a quarter of an acre in strawberries, and picked an unusually large crop last June. He then mowed down the vines, covered the patch with straw and set it on fire. The vines were burned off so that the field was entirely bare.

New vines came up soon and rapidly blossomed out, and Mr. Briggs is now picking his second crop, which is two-thirds as large as his big crop in June.

In many strawberry gardens near this city and in some of the big market gardens along the Santiam river at Lebanon second crops of strawberries are being picked this year. This condition was largely due to the unusual rains in August and September, and many growers are planning to make arrangements to irrigate their gardens for a second crop next summer.

## POTATOES ARE FOOT LONG

### Record Spuds for Size and Number Found at Hood River.

Hood River—The record for potato production in Hood River valley is just reported by J. R. Steele.

Last May he planted an acre that had been in alfalfa for ten years to Early Rose and Garfield varieties. They were irrigated twice. Last week he reaped 700 sacks, or 1400 bushels, of No. 1 steaks, also raised a cabbage this summer weighing 28 pounds.

Many of the plants had enough on them to fill a five-gallon oil can. Most of the spuds are a foot long and some weigh four pounds each.

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### Hood River Gets Fish.

Hood River—A great deal of activity in stocking the streams of Hood River valley with game fish has been noted this summer, and further work is to be done. So far about 250,000 trout have been planted in the various streams, and another carload was distributed last week. Everybody helps in the work. Ranchers have left their work to haul cans of fish ten miles back to the headwaters, and two wagons made the trip to Lost Lake.

The state game and fish commission has appropriated \$500 to place a fish ladder at the Devil's Punch Bowl, and the work will be done this fall.

### Coos Seeks Good Roads.

Marshfield—At a meeting of representatives of all commercial bodies of the county it was decided that if laws passed at the next election would permit Coos county would bond herself for \$2,000,000 for the purpose of making good roads and building a permanent highway with concrete foundation from the ocean to the Douglas county line. In such event Douglas county would be expected to do the same, so there would be a hard-surfaced road from Coos Bay to Roseburg.

### Gresham Potato Yield Good.

Gresham—Eastern Multnomah county's potato crop is being harvested and the indications are good for a big yield, though not above the average of several former years. An extra acreage was planted and favorable conditions during the early summer presaged the biggest crop ever grown here, but the potato blight which fell upon the vines has had the effect of reducing the yield to about its normal size. It is estimated that about one-third of the crop this year will be a total loss.

### Mt. Angel Gets Crusher.

Mount Angel—At a cost of almost \$2000 the Marion county court has installed a new rock-crushing plant at Mount Angel. This plant, which is operated by a dynamo, the power being secured from Silverton, takes the place of the steam crusher. At the nominal expense of about \$1.50 daily its crushing capacity is about 150 yards a day, almost double the amount turned out by the steam plant.

### Trespass Notice Invalid.

Salem—That it is not criminal trespass to hunt upon uninclosed or unimproved lands, even though trespass notices are posted, was the substance of an opinion by the attorney general. The statute provides that criminal trespass only holds on inclosed or improved lands.

## THREE FAMILIES BIG AID.

### Management of Willows County Fair Grateful to 24 Boys.

Enterprise—"The County Fair would not be much of a success, so far as the amusement program is concerned, if it were not for the Tippett, McPetridge and Warnock boys."

This remark, made by one of the officers of the Willows County Agricultural Fair association at the close of the recent exhibition here, has led to an interesting confirmation. In the three families there are 24 boys.

They were to the front in nearly every contest put on by the fair. Whenever an added number was desired, all the management had to do was to appeal to these boys, and almost any kind of an exciting contest could be arranged.

S. T. Tippett has nine sons, each of whom is fully able to take care of himself in any event pertaining to horsemanship. The sons are William, P. S., J. H., G. W., C. C., Roy K., Chris, Ted and Alvin.

John C. McPetridge furnishes seven husky young men—William, Millard, Fred, Alvin, Elmer, John and Chester.

William Warnock's five sons are Elmer, Perry, Earl, Jesse and Vernon. Daniel W. Warnock has three sons—Charles, William and Daniel.

In the first day's amusement program, the three groups of boys came to the front in the slow race, Elmer Warnock, John McPetridge and Charles Tippett being the contestants, while S. T. Tippett, the father, could not keep out of the contest himself, but furnished one of the mules. Elmer Warnock and J. H. Tippett were on deck for the next event, the three-mile relay.

Tippett and Warnock furnished one string of horses for the great 15-mile relay. Lola Warnock was a contestant in the girls' race, showing the boys that the members of the family who could ride horses. In the saddle-horse contest, S. T. Tippett and J. H. Tippett provided the winning horses. Dan Warnock's horse was second in the quarter-mile dash. Jack Tippett beat his brother, J. H., in the packing contest.

On the third day, Alvin McPetridge appeared in the chariot race. Dan Warnock's horse was second in a quarter-mile dash. S. T. Tippett furnished the horse that came in second in the boys' race.

On Friday, Elmer McPetridge captured the cowboy race, defeating Archer Ross, of the Atalanta Automobile Company, and J. H. Tippett. John McPetridge distinguished himself by riding Hot Foot, the famous Union county outlaw. Saturday brought out J. H. Tippett as winner of the cowboy race, with John McPetridge a contestant.

In addition, the three families were well represented in the exhibits, and won a fine lot of prizes.

## POMONA RESCINDS ACT.

### State Printer Flat Salary Measure Inconsistency Taken Measure.

Salem—Unanimously indorsing the recent action of Salem Grange and repudiating the initiative measure providing a flat salary for the state printer, Marion County Pomona Grange, representing the eight granges of the county, passed a resolution expressing its sentiments as to the proposed bill.

The resolution which was adopted by the Marion County Pomona Grange follows:

Resolved, That Marion County Pomona Grange rescind its action of June 12, 1912, in indorsing the alleged flat salary measure and after consulting the authorities cited and consulted commend and indorse the report of Salem Grange No. 17 in the flat salary initiative measure and senate bill No. 75. Mrs. Zella S. Fletcher, secretary.

Senate bill No. 75 is the flat salary law as passed by the legislature of 1911 to become effective January 1, 1915. The flat salary initiative measure, which comes before the people in November, would make senate bill No. 75 effective December 1 this year.

### Aeroplane Strikes Cram.

Prineville—Stowall Cram, 70 years, was struck and probably fatally injured by C. Christofferson in his aeroplane at the Central Oregon District fair grounds. Christofferson was making a swoop toward the ground with his machine and as he turned upwards again in his flight the tail of the aeroplane hit Cram an impelling blow alongside the head. Mr. Cram was an early settler of Central Oregon and has many relatives living near here.

Physician attending Mr. Cram states that his recovery is not expected.

### Astoria Greeks Leave for Home.

Astoria—Responding to a telegram received from the Greek consul at New York, stating that their services will be needed in the pending war with Turkey, 15 Greek residents of this city left for New York Thursday, en route to their native land; ten more left next day, and others will start within a few days. One hundred and ten of the Astoria Greeks will go and others from Clifton, Westport and Wauna are expected to respond to the call, so the total number from Clatsop probably will not be less than 200.

### New Railroad Incorporates.

Salem—Articles of incorporation have been filed by the Oregon Pacific & Eastern Railway company, with a capitalization of \$1,000,000. The articles show that the road contemplates building from the mouth of the Umpqua river following along Smith and Siuslaw rivers to Cottage Grove, and then following Row River and Champion creek to the Champion quartz mill.

### Germany Declares War on U. S.

Germany declares war on the United States. The declaration was made at 11 o'clock on Sunday.

### Hope Not Realized.

Dean Sumner of the Cathedral SS. Peter and Paul related the following story at the recent banquet of the Chicago Association of Commerce at the Hotel Sherman. "A little Jewish boy went to his father on Christmas day and asked him for a quarter. Upon receiving it he sauntered out into the city streets and didn't return until evening. His father called him as he came in and inquired what he did with the quarter he had been given. 'Hah!' he said. 'You have a fourth-class ticket, and are in a third-class compartment. The fine is six marks.'"

I explained, and offered at once to pass into a fourth-class carriage or pay the difference in the price of tickets.

"That will not do. You have infringed the law, and must pay six marks," the man insisted.

"I got out at Owen, and will explain matters to the station master," I said. I did so.

"The fine is six marks," said the official, peremptorily.

"But said I, 'I demanded a third-class ticket, and was given one for which I had not asked. This was an oversight on the part of the clerk.'"

"You should have examined your ticket," the station master insisted.

The train was delayed five minutes while we thrashed out the question on the platform in great detail, and the other passengers craned their necks out of the windows of the carriages and listened with lively interest. At last, reluctantly, the station master



# STANTON WINS

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### SYNOPSIS.

At the beginning of great automobile races the mechanic of the Mercury, Stanton's machine, drops dead. Strange youth, Jesse Floyd, volunteers and is accepted. In the rest during the twenty-hour race Stanton meets a stranger, Miss Carlie, who introduces herself. The Mercury wins race, Stanton receives \$5000, which he gives to Carlie to help her. Stanton and Miss Carlie follow in auto. Accident by which Stanton loses consciousness. On recovery, at his hotel Stanton receives invitation and goes to meet Miss Carlie and they dine together. Stanton comes to track sick, but makes race. They have accident, Stanton and Carlie are injured. In dinner Floyd tells Stanton of his twin brother, Stanton goes to meet him and meet Miss Carlie. Stanton and Carlie agree to operate automobile factory together. Floyd becomes suspicious of Miss Carlie, and they become fast friends. Stanton just before important race tries to find out who is in track. Floyd traces the tires and brings them to camp. During race Stanton deliberately wrecks his machine. Stanton and Carlie are awakened, and believes Floyd dead.

### CHAPTER XII.—(Continued.)

"There is nothing at all singular in my being here, Mr. Stanton," she stated, in her cool, indolent voice. "Because I ascertained by telephone when you intended to leave the hospital, and so arranged to meet you on the train. Tomorrow I start for Europe, to be necessary for a long time, and it was necessary for me to speak with you first. I am sorry to see that you have been frightfully ill."

"You are too good," he answered, the old antagonism stirring him strongly. "As you observe, I was not fortunate enough to finish myself completely in the late wreck."

"One sometimes feels like that," she concluded, passing one small gloved hand across the soft fur of her muff. "I have wished for the finish, here lately, for my part. You probably did not know that I was engaged to marry Archer Ross, of the Atalanta Automobile Company, erect. All Floyd's suspicions of this girl rushed back to his mind."

"Yes," she confirmed the thought in his expression. "What you are imagining is quite correct. I tried very hard to induce you to drive for the Atalanta Company instead of for the Mercury. The latter is absolutely required for a good racing record. But I failed. You were more than firm in your decision."

So that had been what she wanted of him. That had lain behind her polished surface of gracious admiration and had been the core of her insincerity.

"And when I would not drive for your company, you tried to prevent me from driving for my own?" He wondered incredulously.

She looked at him, and looked away again.

"I fancy you would scarcely credit me, Mr. Stanton, if I denied the fact, now. I have been very clumsy; a society woman is not trained to practical melodrama. You are unbelievably difficult to lead."

Her flawless self-possession gave an effect of calm to the whole affair. Stanton felt a vertigo of the mind.

"You had that purpose in view when you first spoke to me at the Beach twenty-four hour race?" she questioned. "You hoped to induce me to wreck my car by fast driving, in order to leave the Atalanta a better chance of winning?"

"Oh, no!" she deprecated. "I never tried to cause your wreck—what can you think me? No, that was merely an impulsive experiment; I wanted to see if you would do as I wished. Some men have done so."

"Are you going to tell me that you dragged me to Lowell, on the eve of the road race?"

"Dragged you? That is a harsher description than I ever gave the incident in my own mind. But I poured into your coffee what Archer Ross had given me for that purpose. He said it would not harm you, only prevent you from driving next morning; he had been betting heavily on his car. But you raced, after all, ill as you must have been. I never imagined you would take such a risk, or I should have refused the responsibility. I disliked the task, anyhow. To be frank, I was horribly frightened when I saw you on the course, and when the report of your accident came in, I felt guilty of assassination."

He looked at her, at her ivory-and-gold beauty, her composed ease, his own face coldly emotionless. It did not matter, nothing mattered, now. But yet he read that behind that apparent ease of hers heaved a sea of stormy thoughts; as always, her speech was no guide to her mind.

"I suppose, then, that you would not have been distressed if I had broken my arm when I cranked your car after driving you home from New York?" he commented.

Her color changed for the first time, her eyes flashed to his.

"You angered me," she retorted. "You brutally told me that you had not raced at the Beach, to please me, nor would you do so. You were supercilious, no man had ever treated me that way before. For one instant I did hate and long to hurt you; I pushed out the spark as you cranked. The next moment I would have undone it if I could."

There was a pause, as the train halted at a station, and the usual flurry of egress and ingress ensued. When the start was made.

"Why are you telling me this?" Stanton asked. "I am not considered especially amiable and forgiving, as a rule; why chance unnecessary confession?"

"No," her lip bent in a faint smile

ishment, is it not? You can regale Miss Floyd with the tale. You are on your way to her course."

"Miss Carlie!"

She rose, drawing around her the heavy folds of velvet. He saw now the faint lines about her delicate mouth and the new hardness of her tawny eyes. She had suffered, was suffering also.

"Congratulate her from me, Mr. Stanton. At least she has known a man, whatever it has cost her."

Yes, Floyd had played a man's part. Whatever the anguish of losing him, it was a matter of congratulation to have known him. If never occurred to Stanton that Valerie Carlie might have meant him, himself.

It was afternoon when Stanton arrived in New York, among the snow-sprinkled, hilarious crowds that thronged the streets. And then he first realized that this was the day before Christmas. Christmas! Holiday! With a vague impulse to escape it all, he hailed a taxicab. A girl with her arms full of holly brushed past him as he reached the curb, a man in uniform stopped him with a hastily recited plea for aid to the hungry poor. At him Stanton looked, and put a yellow bill in the outstretched hand.

"Sir!" the man cried, pursuing him with ready book and pencil. "What name? So generous?"

"Floyd," Stanton answered, and stepped into the vehicle.

The address he gave to the chauffeur was that of the quiet uptown apartment house.

The little old Irishwoman clad in black silk opened the door. He fancied she had aged, but on seeing him she broke into beaming smiles and ushered him in with eager welcome.

The girl who was like Floyd was standing in the frell room. As Stanton paused on the threshold, she retreated against the window opposite, her fingers winding themselves hard into the draperies, her marvelous gray eyes wide and fevered. So they gazed at each other, dumb.