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back was to effect a rapprochement between Julius Hershelmer and the Young Adventurers. All barriers went down with a crash, and Tommy and Tuppence felt they had known the young American all their lives. They abandoned the discreet reticence of "private inquiry agents," and revealed to him the whole history of the joint venture, whereas the young man declared himself "tickled to death."

He turned to Tuppence at the close of the narration.

"I've always had a kind of idea that English girls were just a mite moss-grown. Old-fashioned and sweet, you know, but scared to move around without a footman or a maiden aunt. I guess I'm a bit behind the times!"

The upshot of these confidential relations was that Tommy and Tuppence took up their abode forthwith at the Ritz, in order, as Tuppence put it, to keep in touch with Jane Finn's only living relation. "And put like that," she added confidentially to Tommy, "nobody could boggle at the expense!" Nobody did, which was the great thing.

"And now," said the young lady on the morning after their installation, "to work! We should map out a plan of campaign."

"Hear, hear!"

"Well, let's do it. To begin with, what have we to go upon?"

"Absolutely nothing," said Tommy, cheerfully.

"Wrong!" Tuppence wagged an energetic finger. "We have two distinct clues."

"What are they?"

"First clue, we know one of the gang."

"Whittington?"

"Yes, I'd recognize him anywhere."

"Hum," said Tommy doubtfully, "I don't call that much of a clue. You don't know where to look for him, and it's about a thousand to one against your running against him by accident."

"I'm not so sure about that," replied Tuppence thoughtfully. "There are places in London where simply everyone is bound to turn up sooner or later. Piccadilly circus, for instance. One of my ideas was to take up my stand there every day."

"Honestly, I don't think much of the idea. Whittington mayn't be in London at all."

"That's true. Anyway, I think clue No. 2 is more promising."

"Let's hear it."

Tuppence and himself as "private inquiry agents" commissioned to find her, and added that they would therefore be glad of any details Mr. Hershelmer could give them.

That gentleman nodded approval.

"I guess that's all right. I was just a mite hasty. Just trot out your questions and I'll answer."

For the moment this paralyzed the Young Adventurers, but Tuppence, recovering herself, plunged boldly into the breach with a reminiscence culled from detective fiction.

"When did you last see the decease—your cousin, I mean?"

"Never seen her," responded Mr. Hershelmer.

"What?" demanded Tommy, astonished.

"No, sir. As I said before, my father and her mother were brother and sister, just as you might be"—Tommy did not correct this view of their relationship—"but they didn't always get on together. And when my aunt made up her mind to marry Amos Finn, who was a poor schoolteacher out west, my father was just mad! Said if he made his pile, as he seemed in a fair way to do, she'd never see a cent of it. Well, the upshot was that Aunt Jane went out west and we never heard from her again."

"The old man did pile it up. He went into oil, and he went into steel, and he played a bit with railroads, and I can tell you he made Wall Street sit up!" He paused. "Then he died—last fall—and I got the dollars. Well, would you believe it, my conscience got busy! Kept knocking me up and saying: 'What about your Aunt Jane, way out west? It worried me some. You see, I figured it out that Amos Finn would never make good. He wasn't that sort. End of it was, I hired a man to hunt her down. Result, she was dead, and Amos Finn was dead, but they'd left a daughter—Jane—who'd been torpedoed in the Lusitania on her way to Paris. She was saved all right, but they didn't seem able to hear of her over this side. I guessed they weren't hustling any, so I thought I'd come along over, and speed things up. I phoned Scotland Yard and the Admiralty first thing. The Admiralty rather choked me off, but Scotland Yard were very civil—said they would make inquiries, even sent a man round this morning to get her photograph. I'm off to Paris tomorrow, just to see what the Prefecture is doing. I guess if I go to and fro hustling them, they ought to get busy!"

The energy of Mr. Hershelmer was tremendous. They bowed before it.

"But say, now," he ended, "you're not after her for anything? Contempt of court, or something British? A proud-spirited young American girl might find your rules and regulations in war time rather irksome, and get up against it. If that's the case, and there's such a thing as graft in this country, I'll buy her off."

Tuppence reassured him.

"That's good. Then we can work together. What about some lunch?"

Oysters had just given place to Sole Colbert when a card was brought to Hershelmer.

"Inspector Japp, C. I. D. Scotland Yard again. Another man this time. What does he expect I can tell him that I didn't tell the first chap? I hope they haven't lost that photograph. That western photographer's place was burned down and all his negatives destroyed—this is the only copy in existence. I got it from the principal of the college there."

An unformulated dread swept over Tuppence.

"You—you don't know the name of the man who came this morning?"

"Yes, I do. No, I don't. Half a second. It was on his card. Oh, I know! Inspector Brown. Quiet, unassuming sort of chap."

A veil might with profit be drawn over the events of the next half-hour. Suffice it to say that no such person as "Inspector Brown" was known to Scotland Yard. The photograph of Jane Finn, which would have been of the utmost value to the police in tracing her, was lost beyond recovery. Once again "Mr. Brown" had triumphed.

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This is good advice: "If you live in Albany, trade in Albany; if you live in some other town, trade in that town." But in these automobile days many residing elsewhere find it advisable to do at least part of their buying in the larger town. Those who go to Albany to transact business will find the firms named below ready to fill their requirements with courtesy and fairness.

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## Jots and Tittles

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Shedd fair a week from Saturday.

Linn county oil well excitement has become very gentle.

Don't forget to go early to the Shedd fair or you will miss the forenoon doings.

Dr. Marks came home from his vacation at the week end. He says he came back for a rest.

There was enough rain Monday night to wash the air so that it did not stick in one's throat the next morning.

Mrs. Mary Jane Maxwell, 76, widow of Elias Maxwell, died last Sunday at her home at East Knox Butte.

Elda Hoflich went home to Albany on Monday's noon train, after a visit of a few days at the L. V. Chance home. Her older sister, Pearl, who came with her, remained for a longer visit.

The Halsey Canning club, of which Hazel Quimby is the wide-awake president, will exhibit at the county fair.

Mrs. H. George of Harrisburg went home Monday, after a visit of several days with the William Kitchen family.

The county has given \$300 for a Linn exhibit at the state fair and Leonard Gilkey will be in charge of it, as he was before.

Mrs. Adeline A. McClung, sister of F. M. French, the Albany jeweler, died in the city named, Friday, aged 84. She broke a hip in a fall a week previously and was unable to survive the shock.

Luscious strawberries in late August! They come in from the R. L. Winniford farm. They are the overbearing variety and there is no question about their having received enough sunshine to develop their fruit sugar.

The Boy Scouts returned from the Fish Lake encampment declaring that it was the most successful yet. The organization has a lease from the government on five acres for a campground and permanent buildings are contemplated.

H. D. Mitzner contemplates entering into gospel work and will offer his fine herd of registered and grade Jerseys, his other stock and farming implements at auction on Saturday, Sept. 8, at the farm.

The Enterprise man saw "Backbone" at the Globe theater in Albany Monday. It is a clean, entertaining play, the scenes located in the province where the editor spent his childhood. There was a better attendance than there has been in the afternoons lately, but there usually are slim houses in the vacation season and this one was no record breaker.

Mike Hochdanner of Harrisburg thinks he has the finest grass for the Willamette valley. It is called Peruvian winter grass and he got the seed from Burbank, the wizard. The Bulletin says a sample in its office is over five feet high and has large heads resembling timothy, remains green and tender under almost any conditions and has a small stalk, so that there would be little waste in feeding it.

Ed Zimmerman of Shedd has 25 acres this year of that new wheat which he has raised, all from one superior head which he found in the field some years ago, as related in the Enterprise last year. The Democrat notes that Guy Layton has 10 acres of it, Charles Pugh 30, Ernest Abraham 50, J. Cornett 18 and several others small amounts. It is a hard spring wheat and very white and hardy enough to make a crop if sown in the fall.

The Bulletin tells of a bearing fig tree on the John Owen residence in Harrisburg, but surprises us by calling that "a thousand miles from what most folks think is a fig country." We thought most folks knew that the San Joaquin valley is a fig country, and it is a good deal less than a thousand miles away. Since, many years ago, the California growers discovered the secret, carefully kept by the Turks, that the little blasphemous would carry fig pollen and insure the maturing of a crop they are driving the Asiatic product from the American market, and last year they also began shipping fresh figs east, without the expense of refrigeration, by packing them in paper cartons with a fig-shaped compartment for each fruit.

### Wasted Money

A great deal of effort and a great deal of money is wasted every year by business houses in trying to attract trade by sending circulars, handbills and broadsides through the mails.

### Cost is Heavy

A good deal is paid for paper and printing, some more for the labor of preparing the printed sheets for the mail and one cent apiece for postage.

### Few People Read Them

Usually the postmaster or the rural route carrier passes it along to the addressee, who are about pestered to death with propaganda by mail. Half of it is thrown away as soon as its nature is discovered. The rest is laid one side while the letter mail and newspapers are read and probably not more than one in ten of those thus laid aside ever receive attention again.

### Newspapers Read First

After letters, the newspapers receive the first attention when the mail arrives. And while reading the news the eye catches advertisements printed alongside. Some of these are read at that time. Others, only noticed then, are seen in the next issue and more people gratify their aroused curiosity by reading them. By the time the advertisement has appeared four times consecutively nearly every reader of the paper has received its message.

### Run Ad Several Times

It is good policy ordinarily to run an advertisement four times or more, or to retain the signature and the general form while changing items.

An offer of something especially seasonable, or the quotation of attractive prices, is especially effective.

### All Read the Papers

The cost, to reach the same number of readers—we don't mean addressees—through a newspaper is only a fraction of that through circulars. You have no postage to pay, no labor and expense of mailing, no printer's bill. Pay the publisher for his space and he does the rest.

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