

A STUDY IN SCARLET.

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CHAPTER I—Continued.

Sherlock Holmes seemed delighted at the idea of sharing rooms with me. "I have my eye on a suite in Baker street," he said, "which would suit us down to the ground. You don't mind the smell of strong tobacco, I hope?" "I always smoke 'ship's' myself," I answered.

CHAPTER II.

We met next day, as he had arranged, and inspected his rooms at No. 221B Baker street, of which he had spoken at our meeting. They consisted of a couple of comfortable bedrooms and a single, large, airy sitting room, tastefully furnished, and illuminated by two broad windows.

EVENTS OF THE DAY

FROM THE FOUR QUARTERS OF THE WORLD.

A Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week, Presented in a Condensed Form, Which is Most Likely to Prove of Interest to Our Many Readers.

DISORDERS AT PARIS.

More Rioting Follows Attempt to Close the Church Schools—Many Arrests. Paris, July 26.—Disturbances continue as a sequel to yesterday's clerical outbreaks as protests against the government's enforcement of the law against unauthorized congregations. It now appears that 300 arrests were made and numerous prosecutions are pending.

NEWS OF THE STATE

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS OF OREGON. Commercial and Financial Happenings of Importance—A Brief Review of the Growth and Improvements of the Many Industries Throughout Our Thriving Commonwealth—Latest Market Report.

CREST OF THE FLOOD.

High Water Mark on the Mississippi is Now Reached at Quincy. Kookuk, Ia., July 24.—The crest of the Mississippi river flood is now at Quincy, and by morning will be still further south. The river reached the maximum at Quincy at noon today, and has been stationary there since.

BROKE THROUGH THE CORDON.

Ladrons Chiefs and Nest of Their Followers Escaped to the Mountains. Manila, July 24.—Montalvo and Felizardo, the ladron chiefs, have broken through the constabulary cordon in Cavite province and have escaped to the mountains. The cordon encompassed the leaders and many of their followers. The latter, when trapped, made a succession of breaks to escape.

OUR SHIPS KEPT BUSY.

By Activity of Rebels on Shores of the Caribbean Sea. Washington, July 24.—Unusual insurgent activity in the West Indies and on the shores of the Caribbean sea are taxing the resources of the navy department in the matter of ships to look after American interests. A cablegram received at the state department from Minister Bowen at Caracas states that the Marietas is proceeding to ascertain the facts connected with the alleged blockade by the Venezuelan government at its own port of Carupano.

PORTLAND MARKETS.

Wheat—Walla Walla, 63c for new crop; 64c for old; valley, 65c; bluestem, 65c. Barley—\$17.75 for old, \$16.50 for new crop. Flour—Best grades, \$3.05@3.60 per barrel; Graham, \$2.95@3.20. Middlings—Bran, \$15@16 per ton; middlings, \$21.50; shorts, \$18; chop, \$16. Oats—No. 1 white, \$1.15@1.20; gray, \$1.05@1.10. Hay—Timothy, \$12@15; clover, \$7.50@10; Oregon wild hay, \$5@6 per ton. Potatoes—Best Burbanks, 75c@85c per cental; ordinary, 50c per cental; growers' prices; sweets, \$2.25@2.50 per cental; new potatoes, 1c. Butter—Creamery, 20@21c; dairy 16@18c; store, 15@16c. Eggs—20@22c for Oregon. Cheese—Full cream, twins, 12c@13c; Young America, 13c@14c; factory prices, 1c@1 1/2c less. Poultry—Chickens, mixed, \$3.50@4.50; hens, \$4.00@5.00 per dozen, 11@11 1/2c per pound; springs, 11@11 1/2c per pound, \$2.50@4.50 per dozen; ducks, \$2.50@3.00 per dozen; turkeys, live, 13@14c, dressed, 15@16c per pound; geese, \$4.00@5.00 per dozen. Mutton—Gross, 2c@3c per pound; dressed, 6c per pound. Hogs—Gross, 6c@7c; dressed, 7@7 1/2c per pound. Beef—Gross, cows, 3@3 1/2c; steers, 3 1/2@4 1/2c; dressed, 7@8c per pound. Hops—16@17c; new crop 17@18c. Wool—Valley, 12 1/2@15; Eastern Oregon, 8@14 1/2c; mohair, 25@26c pound.

MEXICAN TRAIN HELD UP.

Daring American Robbers Make a Big haul—Escaped in the Darkness. El Paso, Tex., July 26.—A daring holdup took place on the Mexican Central about 12:30 o'clock yesterday morning, just after the train left Benjillio. At Benjillio three Americans boarded the train, two secreting themselves on the blind baggage and the other entering the third class coach. As soon as the train pulled out the two riding on the blind baggage entered the express car, and covering the messenger with their guns, ordered him to throw up his hands. The express messenger offered no resistance. The robbers then went leisurely through the safe, securing \$50,000 in currency, commingled to the Banco Minero, at Chihuahua. They also took other money packages were in the safe, and stood quietly by until the train stopped, making a hasty exit, and dropping off the train as it was slowing down. After alighting they disappeared in the darkness. About the time the robbers entered the express car the conductor of the train became engaged in an altercation with a passenger who refused to pay his fare. Finally the conductor had the train stopped and the passenger ejected. The robbers alighted at the same time. It is now believed the troublesome passenger was a partner of the robbers, and his action a ruse to secure the stopping of the train.

Proposed Reduction in Pay.

Elwood, Ind., July 26.—Renewed efforts were made here today to have the Amalgamated Association of Iron and Steel workers accept the 25 per cent reduction in wages in order that the American Tinplate company may secure an order of 1,500,000 boxes of tin from the Standard Oil company. The meeting lasted for four hours, and despite the fact that President Shaffer advised the men to accept the reduction, they refused to do so.

First Woman to Win Scholarship.

Miss Helen E. Wallace, a brilliant student at the Melbourne, Australia, university, has been awarded the Shakespeare scholarship of 150 pounds. This is the most important scholarship in the gift of the university, and it has never before been won by a woman.

In Memory of Dr. Johnson.

Dr. Johnson's long association with the Strand, London, is to be commemorated by placing a beautiful stained glass window in St. Clement's Dane chapel.

Beth's Surprise.

Beth was delighted with her aunt's new changeable spring gown. "Oh, mama!" she exclaimed, excitedly, "the colors of Aunt Mary's new silk dress are just extemporaneous!"—Judge.

A Wise Girl.

Alice—How long should a girl know a man before becoming engaged to him? Grace—Oh, long enough for him to propose.