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Personal Talk With You.

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BALLINGTON'S CANINE PARADOX. By Angus MacEwan. Copyright, 1906, by McChesne, Phillips & Co.

It was characteristic of Ballington that he accepted even his dimmest as with a due regard for the proprieties.

He kept on at the Bruntons' house party, and even Dickie Hines lost sleep wondering whether Kittle really had given him his answer.

It was her disobedience which brought about the crisis, for when Ballington left there had been an inquiry into Kittle's conduct.

Town was 150 miles away, so that walking was out of the question. There was no one she could write to send her money, and she would die rather than go back to her aunt's house and ask for her fare.

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would be sure to find out, and I'd die before I let her know."

He regarded the ragged little fellow with affectionate interest.

During his brother's last illness Ballington had taught the dog a score of clever tricks for the invalid's amusement.

"Do you mind if I leave you a little while?" he asked.

"You are not going to the Bruntons?" she demanded suspiciously.

"My word of honor," he said simply. "May I suggest that you get yourself a cup of tea at the hotel?"

With a gasp she saw that Ballington was putting Bruce through his tricks for the edification of the crowd.

"I've got enough for the fares and the Pullman seats," he said as he came toward her.

"I would suggest," he said, "that since our train is not due for an hour yet and as these excursion trains will be out of the way by then it might prove less embarrassing to you if I were to take you to the city."

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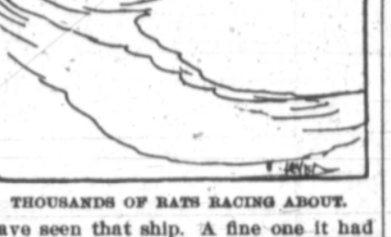
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THOUSANDS OF BATH RACING ABOUT. Have seen that ship. A fine one it had been, and there it lay in the trough of the sea.

"Others ran up and down the mast. As we sailed away rats lit the rail, speaking as if in despair, while some were even jumped into the ocean and tried to swim to us."

Killed Mad Dog With His Hands. Carl Jackson, a young French farmer, living near Pittsburg, saved the lives of three little children by killing a mad dog with his hands.

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