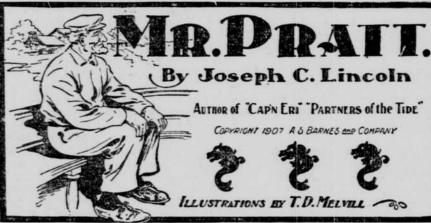




"Here Is Positively the Last Chance to Secure This Magnificent-er-er -er-Lambrykin."



SYNOPSIS.

Mr. Solomon Pratt began comical narration of story, introducing well-to-do Nathan Scudder of his town, and Edward Van Brunt and Martin Hartley, two rich New Yorkers seeking rest. Because of latter pair's lavish expenditure of money, Pratt's first impression was connected with lunatics. Van Brunt, it was learned, was the successful suiter for the hard sful suitor for the hand Miss Agnes Page, who gave Hartley Adventure at Fourth of July celeup. Adventure at Fourth of July cele-bration at Eastwich. Hartley rescued a boy, known as "Reddy," from under a horse's feet and the urchin proved to be one of Miss Page's charges, whom she had taken to the country for an outing. Out sailing later, Van Brunt, Pratt and Hopper were wrecked in a squall. Pratt landed safely and a search for the other two revealed an island upon which they landed safely and a search for the other two revealed an island upon which they were found. Van Brunt rented it from Scudder and called it Ozone island. In charge of a company of New York poor children Miss Talford and Miss Page visited Ozone island. In another storm Van Brunt and Hartley narrowly escaped being wrecked, having aboard chickens, pigs, etc., with which they were to start a farm. Eureka Sparrow, a country girl, was engaged as a cook and Van Brunt and Hartley paid a visit to her father, who for years had been claiming consumption as an excuse for not working. Upon another island visit by Miss Page, Eureka diagnosed Hartley's case as one of love for Agnes. At a lawn fete, Van Brunt shocked the church community by raffling a quilt for the church's benefit.

CHAPTER XIII .- Continued.

brykin, made by the deserving poor person has been able to buy it. The invited to no more sales this year." only solution would be a syndicate, "Mr. Morton, kindly give me whatever small change you have left."

The minister looked puzzled, but he handed up a half dollar. Van Brunt enlies was. We wa'n't fit for decent reaches into the hat and takes out one | folks to associate with. of the folded slips of paper.

"Here you are sir." says he. "Treasure that as you would your life. Now, turned to the ticket buyers. then, ladies and gentlemen, this is a

with the most horrified kind of faces. to be milking his own pet cows. The parson, Mr. Morton, run forward.

you please," he sings out. But Van waved him away. The sum-

a whirlwind, laughing and shouting when I found it out, seemed to me and passing up dollar bills. 'Twa'n't likely to help him more. hardly any time afore the hat was empty and the Twin's jacket pocket dress pattern at the church sale that was ful! of money. Then he fills up she wanted awful. I asked her why the har with more pieces of paper. "These are duplicates of the num-

Lers sold," says he. "The drawing couldn't afford it. Hartley heard her I'm doing it for the sake of that will now take place. Here, Bill!" He grabs a little shaver by the coat collar and lifts him up to the chair. ing her, sort of quiet, to find out what Old lady Patterson, the deacon's wife, she done with her money. After she'd tion a word to Eureka, though." set un a scream.

"Stop!" she yells. "My child shall

"It takes but a moment, madam." says Van, waving to her, calm and

and looked foolish, but he stuck a every cent into the house." freckled paw in and took out a piece

"Number 14," shouts Van Brunt. living?" "Number 14 secures the-the tapes try. Who's the lucky one?"

Everybody unfolded their papers but there didn't seem to be any 14. Hartley had three, but he wa'n't in it. fishes. "Number 14." Van calls. "Who is Where is your ticket?"

The minister looked dreadfully troubled. "Really," he stammered, "I -I-it was a mistake. I--'

"Here's yours, Mr. Morton," says a ground."

reached for it, but Van got it first. esteemed friend, Rev. Mr. Morton, se-

cures the prize. That's as it should be. Three cheers for Mr. Morton!" The summer folks give the cheers. but the church folks looked pretty average wild, I thought.

I forgot how much was in Van Brunt's pocket. That bedguilt fetched in enough money to pretty nigh buy

the poorhouse itself. The Twins felt good. They figgered that they'd made a hit at that "lawn

fete. "Great success, my raffle idea,

wasn't it, skipper," says Van Brunt, on the way home.

I didn't answer right off. Eureka spoke up. "Well," she says, "it sold the bed-

quilt, but I wouldn't wonder if it made "Ladies and gentlemen," he shouts. the new minister lose his job. You "Here is positively the last chance to see, 'twas gambling, and that church secure this magnificent-er-er-lam- is dreadful down on gambling. Mrs. Patterson told me that she should to cover the restless rich. Competi- have her husband call a parish meettion has been so strong that no one ing right off. I guess you won't be

And we wa'n't. Poor Morton had and the almshouse is opposed to an awful time explaining, and the only you must be ready with his breakfast. trusts. Therefore I am authorized to" way he could get out of it was to lay It's all right. Your father under--then he bent down and whispered: it heavy on the Twins. He had to stands. preach a sermon giving gambling fits. and all around town 'twas nothing but how dissipated and wicked the Heav-

> But I ain't been able to learn, even yet, that the bedquilt money was re-

Van got a long letter from Agnes raffle. The minister starts it. Tickets Page a little later, saying that she out of all these gunning trips jarred are anything you please, provided it's had heard of him as a "disturbing in- my pride considerable. enough. Come early and avoid the fluence" and that she was shocked and grieved. He thought 'twas a great There was a kind of gasp from all joke and didn't seem to care much. the church people. The members of Nate Scudder was glad of the whole the sewing circle looked at each other business. He didn't want nobody else

Me and Eureka was glad, too, in a "Just a minute, Mr. Van Brunt, if way. We judged that Van's being in disgrace with his girl would help Hartley's side along. And in a few days

> Eureka told me that she'd seen a she didn't buy it and she said 'twas two dollars and a half and she say it and he loafed out into the kitchen and begun to ask questions, pumpgone home he says to me:

"Skipper, that girl is robbing herself to support that old loafer, her father."

"That's right," says I. "It's my

one of those numbers from the hat." that she ain't getting that extry two The boy reddened up and grinned dollars a week. I guess she pays my own eyes. I wouldn't believe even "It's a shame!" says he. "Can't we took by Saint Peter.

make the old vagabond earn his own "When you do," I says, "I'll believe

that black's the blonde shade of white.

14? Mr. Morton, you began this. to look into the matter," he says. "Sol, still. I'd had my dose. Nobody can it down, that a habit of secrecy is both I want you to find out who owns that call me nosey.

apology for a house they live it. Don't ask Eureka. We must keep it a secret he says, finally. from her or she'll interfere. And we may as well not tell Van, either. He's so careless that he might give it

"All right," says I. "I'll ask Scudder. He knows 'most all of everybody's business and Huldy Ann knows

So when Nate come, after breakfast next morning, I asked him.

"What do you want to know for?" says he, suspicious as usual. "Oh, nothing. Just curious, that's

"They ain't going to move out, are "No, no!" says I. "Where'd they move to? Think they're going to Washington to visit the president or the diplomatic corpse?"

"Well," he says, "you needn't get mad. I didn't know but they might be coming over here. I don't mind telling you. Huldy Ann, my wife, owns the place, if you want to know."

sand-flea for bobbing up where you didn't expect to him.

"She does?" says I. "Say, Nate, for

country' belongs to you and Huldy? And how much did you pay for it?" He went on with a long rigmarole about a mortgage and a second mortgage and "foreclosing to protect himself," and so on. All I see in it was more proofs that lambs fooling with

When I told Hartley he seemed real

Nate Scudder was likely to lose, not

only wool, but hoofs, hide and tal-

"That makes it easy," he says. Scudder will accommodate me by doing a little favor, won't he?"

"Sure thing!" says I, sarcastic. 'Ain't he been accommodating you ever since you struck town?" "Yes," he says, "he has. Scudder is

a generous chap." And he meant it, too! Why the good Lord lets such simple innocents as him and his chum run around loose for it-but there! No doubt he has his reasons. And what would become of the summer hotels without that

the next few days. Something was up, though as yet I wa'n't in the secret. Hartley made one or two trips to the village and he took neither me nor Van with him. He asked me where the doctor lived and a lot more

Van Brunt, too, was getting pretty confidential with Nate. I caught the two of 'em off alone by the barn or somewheres quite a good many times. They was always whispering earnest. and when I hove in sight they'd break away and act guilty. There was something up there, too, and again I wa'n't in with the elect. I begun to feel slighted. But in a little while Hartley's

secret come out. One day Van took broke the news last night." a notion to go down to Half Moon Neck gunning after peeps. He wanted little girl. "You dropped it on the Hartley to go with him, but Martin said no. He said he didn't feel like it, The parson looked pretty sick. He somehow. Why didn't Van put it off? But Van wa'n't the put-off kind. He "Number 14 it is," he says. "Our was going and going right then. He wanted Scudder to sail him down, but Nate was too busy, so he hired Eureka's brother, Lycurgus. The two sailed away in the Dora Bassett to be gone all night. I wa'n't invited. The Twins had no use for me as gunning

That afternoon late Hartley comes over from the main, rowed by Scudder. The pair of 'em seemed mighty tickled about something.

"Well, Mr. Hartley," says Nate, we'll see you to-morrow morning. It'll

work all right; you see." "Will he work?" laughs Hartley. 'That's the question."

"I cal'late he'll make the bluff." snickers Scudder. "I don't know where he'll sleep nights if he don't. Land of love! Did you see his face when you

sprung it on him? Haw! haw!" When we got to the house Hartley calls in Eureka.

"You're going to stay here to-night." he says to her. "Mr. Pratt and I have an errand ashore early in the morning and Mr. Van Brunt will be back soon after, and hungry, I imagine. So

Eureka was some surprised, but she said she'd stay. All through supper Hartley was

laughing to himself. Just afore bedtime he calls me out on the porch. "Sol," he says, "what would surprise you most in this world?"

"To see Mr. Van Brunt shoot at a bird and hit it," says I. Leaving me

"Humph!" he says. dozen the other day."

"Yes, but I didn't see him shoot He laughed. "You countrymen are jealous creatures," he says. "Well. this is more surprising than that. What would you say if Mr. Washington Sparrow consented to go to work?' I looked at him. "I wouldn't say mer folks come after them tickets like another idea begun to develop that, nothing," I says. "I'd send for a strait-jacket. What are you talking

about?' He turned around in his chair. "You remember I told you I was going to try to make him?" he says. Well, I think I've succeeded. Come with me to-morrow morning and see. plucky daughter of his, and it has required some engineering and diplomacy. But I think I win. Don't men-

I promised to keep mum. I tried to get him to tell me more, but he wouldn't. "Wait and see" was all I his fellow townsmen. could get out of him.

easy. "Now, Julius Caesar, Llease take opinion that she ain't never told him might say. Washy Sparrow work! it true that Jones has got religion?" Well, I'd have to see him doing it with a tintype of the performance if 'twas a year ago he loaned the pastor \$50.

CHAPTER XIV. "The Best Laid Plans."

We left the island early next day. I Making Washy Sparrow work would rowed to the main and anchored the sons, they are commonly vain and be as big a miracle as the loaves and skiff. Then me and Hartley walked credulous withal; for he that talketh up to the Neck road. I didn't ask no what he knoweth, will also talk of He thought a spell. "Well, I mean questions. He could speak first or be what he knoweth not. Therefore, set

He did speak first. "Well, skipper?"

"Well, Mr. Hartley," says I. "Why don't you ask me what my scheme is? Aren't you curious?" "Scheme?" says I. "Scheme? I ain't much of a schemer, myself. Nice

weather we're having, ain't it?" He laughed. "Sol," says he. "I like you. You're the right sort-you and

Scudder." Drat him! Why did he want to spoil it all by that last?

"Virtue must be its own reward. then, far's I'm concerned," I says, pretty average dry. "I don't seem to be getting no other kind. Pity me and through the solicitation of a Canadian they?" He seemed mighty interested. Nate couldn't divide the substantials more equal."

His face clouded right up. "Money!"

he says, disgusted, kicking a stick out of his way. "Don't you for one minute believe that money means happiness." dicting you. You've had more experience with it than I have. Sometimes it seems as if I could manage I was surprised. He was a regular to bear up under a couple of thousand two boys each got a homestead ador so without shedding more'n a bucket of tears; but I'm open to convic-

> enough to satisfy him." 'Twas some minutes afore he come out of his blue fit. Then he says:

"The scheme is this: I determined The only solution seemed to be the but the spring wheat went 24 bushels getting rid of papa."

"If you'd waited long enough," I trouble.

out work. Go on.'

that Scudder owned the Sparrow place acre on the average. saw my chance. Scudder and I promised to make that good until our registered Shropshire, which are Morton the minister. Morton was tire living from our pasture, running somewhat prejudiced, owing to Van's to the straw stacks for shelter at night. raffle, but he's a pretty decent fellow and seemed to think what he called a been extraordinary. Our land four good action on my part might offset years ago cost us a little less than even a bedquilt gamble. So between \$6.00 an acre. We have sold one sec-

us we fixed it up. "Old Sparrow is offered a job as general shoveler and brick carrier as we expect the railroad within four over there at the hotel. They're build miles of our ranch within the next 18 ing a new addition, you know. Brown, months. Southern Alberta of Westthe manager, said he'd take him on, ern Canada is a mighty good country as a favor to me. He has been offered for any manor woman who loves cutdoor the place. If he doesn't accept, why, life, and who wants to get good reout he goes. Scudder has told him he | turns for their labor and investment. can't stay in his house any longer. You should have seen him when we

"S'pose he don't accept," I asks.

"What about the children?" "They'll be looked out for. Lycurgus will beard at Scudder's. Eureka will stay with us. Editha and the baby will be roomed and fed by the minister. The others are to have good boarding places and go to school. Every one is willing to help the family, but they won't keep the old rascal. It has worked out beautifully."

"Hold on a minute," says I. "It's all right, as a clam. But Eureka won't let her dad suffer even though she knows there ain't nothing really the matter with him. And who's going to pay all the young ones' board? She can't.'

"I'll attend to that," says he, impatient. "It isn't enough to signify. And it will be all settled before Eureka knows it. The old man will take the job.

"I'll bet a cooky he don't," I says. 'But it'll make him scratch gravel one way or 'nother. Bully for you, Mr.

Hartley! I'm glad I'm along to see the fun.' "The fun was last night," says he. 'Caesar! how he did cough and groan.

And then swear! But here's the rest of the crowd." They were waiting for us on the corner. Dr. Penrose was there, and Mr. Morton, and Cap'n Benijah Poundberry, chairman of selectmen, and Scudder, and Peter T. Brown, manager

of the Old Home house. They was

all laughing, and thinking the whole thing a big joke. "Mr. Hartley," says the doctor, "I wish you were to be a permanent resident. There are a few more more

cases of this kind I'd like to have you tackle." (TO BE CONTINUED.)

He Took Them Home. The suburbanite stood on the back platform of the car, smoking his morn ing cigar. He struck up a conversation with the conductor, when that

brass-buttoned gent was not busy. "Whatever became of that basks! of eggs that was left on your car?" he inquired.

"I took them home," gloomily replied

the conductor. At the astonished look from the passenger the conductor explained:

"You see, any article left in my car s mine if no one puts in a claim for it within six weeks. The six weeks were up yesterday, and the company told me to take the eggs away." "Too bad," said the passenger.

"Rotten," said the conductor.

Getting Square. A tight-fisted man in a small town in Pennsylvania, who until recently had never been observed to take any interest in church matters, suddenly became a regular attendant at service, greatly to the astonishment of

"What do you think," said one of I turned in a kind of trance, as you the business men to his friend. "Is

"No," was the reply; "it is entirely a matter of business with him. About The preacher was unable to pay it back, so there was nothing for Jones to do but to take it out in pew rent."

As for the talkers and futile perpolitic and moral.-Francis Bacon.

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consulted. He was willing to lose his horses, over 50 in all, about 350 sheep, tenants provided he didn't lose the after having sold 140 for mutton this rent. The rent was nothing; I fall. We have 20 head of pure bred season here was over and Eureka worth \$20 each. The average price could return home. But I made it received for mutton sheep was \$5.00 clear that when she did return home and a little over. Pork brings 5 and her father mustn't return with her. 6 cents a pound. We have about 30 He must be provided for somewhere head of cattle on our ranch now, Then we saw the doctor and and last winter they picked their en-

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