

THE MASTER MIND

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cessful play by
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CHAPTER XII.
The Unmasking.

THE detective and Wainwright now sat rigid and staring in a silent wonder, touched with an almost superstitious fear. For long minutes there was not a word between them, nor any movement. It was Wainwright who at last took the initiative. Of a sudden he crossed himself to cast the terror of dread from his spirit. He was a brave man, and he had only contempt for the weakness into which he had been surprised by this uncanny trick in the presentation of the black card. Here finally was a new point for concentration of his intellect on the mystery. He felt a curious sense of relief as the thought occurred to him, and forthwith his keen mind began to concern itself with the facts in the event and to reason from them.

He relaxed his posture and looked up at the detective sharply. His voice was crisp. "Marshall," he said rapidly, "just before dinner I had this very book in my hands, reading from it a certain quotation. The black card was not there then." He laid the card within the volume. "See!" he continued. "It is longer than the leaves. It must project beyond them. Had it been in the book I must have seen it." The detective nodded agreement. "So, then, my enemy has been here in this house, my own house—tonight. And this card means that the end is at hand. Yes, and the man himself is here to fulfill his promise to me. In my own home—tonight!"

"But how? What do you expect?" "If I knew that I might plan to prevent him," Wainwright answered shortly, "in whatever thing his evil mind has plotted. But I am half convinced of one thing—that he does not mean to kill me outright. Murder has never been committed by him as far as any one knows."

"Just the same," Marshall suggested, "it's well to be prepared." He took an automatic pistol from his pocket and held it out. "Very well." The pistol was accepted and bestowed in a pocket just as the butler entered the library. "Did you ring, sir?" "No," was the concise answer. "Pardon me, sir," Andrew said. "I thought I heard the bell, and, as I knew Parker was busy upstairs, I—" "Quite so," Yes, I see, Andrew. Then he introduced the vital subject: "Has anybody been in this room tonight except the members of the family?" "Yes, sir," was the reply, which Wainwright had by no means expected. "A person called to see Mr. Walter, though I did not see him myself."

And Andrew? "Oh, yes; he goes with them, of course, since he was really only loaned to us." Then he added, curiously: "It's all a bit sudden, isn't it?" "Yes," Lucene said contentedly. "It all came up and was decided—like that." She snapped her fingers airily. He spoke very gravely: "Lucene, I came to you to say something of a certain important matter." The wife drew her hands from his, and moved a little away from him, dejectedly. "Please, Corlland," she pleaded, "can't you wait until tomorrow? I am so tired."

"Lucene," he said very seriously, "I have an enemy—one in particular, I mean, a man who is powerful." "An enemy—you?" she cried, incredulously. To her, who worshipped him, the bare idea seemed preposterous, absurdly impossible. "Yes, an enemy," Wainwright repeated, with added energy. "Didn't you know it?"

"No, I never guessed anything of this," she said, now thoroughly frightened at the thought of peril for him. "How should I know anything of it? You never told me!" Wainwright answered frankly. "I have told you already, Lucene, that I sometimes feared lest you had some anxiety you kept secret from me. You explained the cause of your distress to me. Yet I thought there was a remote possibility that you might be able to tell me something more."

The wife watched her husband as he thus spoke with an astonishment into which blended reproach. "What is it you wish to know?" she said, with a trace of bitterness in her tone. "I know nothing of any enemy, but I am ready to tell you whatever I do know."

Wainwright shook his head. "Since you know nothing of my enemy," he said, "it would be vain to bother you with questions. You cannot help me." He turned and went toward the door, but halted as his wife called to him. "But you haven't told me," she exclaimed. "Who is your enemy?" she asked tremulously. She sprang up and

"Marshall, the Master Mind will strike tonight." Marshall said not a word, only regarded the speaker with amazement. He threw a quick glance toward the doorway through which Andrew had disappeared. "You don't mean—him?" he exclaimed. "Precisely."

In a second Marshall was on his feet, his eyes snapping with eagerness, all energy and alertness. "It's the chance of my life!" he exclaimed cheerfully. "What do you intend to do?" The detective grinned triumphantly. "What do I intend to do?" he repeated. "Why, I intend to slip the brace lets on him inside of two minutes." "Permit me to ask, on what charge?" His eagerness drained visibly. "On what charge?" he quoted helplessly. "Why— He halted, at a loss. "Yes, on what charge?" Wainwright snapped. "Oh, come, man!" he exhorted. "Just sit down and think it over a bit. As a matter of fact, we're helpless against this fellow. If you have anything else to suggest—" The detective threw up his hands in a gesture eloquent of despair. His voice was angry. "I don't know."

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"I was afraid I offended you a little while ago, when I was here before, sir. So I have come, sir, to ask your pardon. And there was another thing, too, sir," he continued more briskly, at last raising his eyes and meeting the other's wondering stare with inscrutable gaze. "To be quite frank, sir, I am aware that you are a detective."



"I am aware that you are a detective," self and the celebrity of the underworld who masqueraded as a butler for the ensnaring of an enemy. "Well, sir," Andrew went on serenely, "since you are a detective and in this house tonight, I would advise you to watch that safe in the alcove there." He pointed toward the curtained recess. "Especially, say, at about 2 o'clock in the morning."

(To Be Continued.)
L. D. Hiatt of Murray was in the city last evening for a short time visiting with friends, as well as looking after some matters of business.

Mrs. B. S. Ramsey and William Foxwell were in Omaha today for a short time visiting with their brother, A. W. Crites, at the hospital in that city.

J. G. Meisinger of Cedar Creek was here Tuesday for a few hours, and while in the city was a caller at the Journal office to pay a most appreciated call.

Miss Villa Gopen and brother, Oliver Gopen, returned home last evening from a few weeks spent with friends and relatives at Billings, Mont., and Hideville, Wyo.

TEUTONS BATTER WARSAW FORTS

Decisive Battle For Polish Capital Has Begun.

MACKENZEN SLOWLY ADVANCES

Invaders Cross Narew and Russians Are Chased Out of Their Bionic Positions—Quiet Settles Down Along the Western Front.

WAR SUMMARY

The German and Austrian forces, whose objective is the capture of Warsaw, and, if possible, of a large part of Grand Duke Nicholas's army, are declared by Berlin and Vienna to be continuing their successes throughout the Polish region. The Russians at all points are keeping up strong rear guard actions against the Teutons and are harassing them at every step.

London, Aug. 5.—After having tried for three weeks to force the Russians to evacuate Warsaw and the Polish salient by encircling movements from the north and pressure from the west, the Austro-Germans have commenced attacks on the fortresses of the capital and those of Lomza and Ostrolenka to the northeast and Ivanograd to the southeast.

Berlin claims that the Russians have been driven back to the advanced defenses of Lomza; that the Narew has been crossed near Ostrolenka; that driven out of their Bionic positions the Russians have fallen back into the outer lines of Warsaw, which the Bavarians are attacking, and that the Austrians have captured the western part of the fortress of Ivanograd.

Thus, what should prove a decisive battle for the Polish capital has begun in earnest. In the meantime Field Marshal von Mackenzien is slowly advancing from the southeast between the Vistula and the Bug in an effort to cut off the Russian armies, which apparently are making a leisurely exit from Warsaw and the western lines; while General von Buelow, in his wider encircling movement through Courland, has reached Kupischki, on the Vilna-Petrograd railway.

Although the operations of Von Mackenzien and Von Buelow appear to offer the most dangerous threats to the retiring Russian armies, the Russian general staff is paying more attention to Field Marshal von Hindenburg, who has been trying with more or less success to force the line of the Narew. Here the Russians are offering the most stubborn resistance, and, according to an official dispatch from Petrograd, in two battles of three days each succeeded in checking the Germans and inflicting heavy losses on them. The Russians also admit severe casualties.

WILSON'S POLICY CRITICISED

German-Americans Call Munitions Traffic Unmoral.

San Francisco, Aug. 5.—Protests against the "unmoral traffic in arms and ammunition" with England, the English viewpoint in public opinion on the European war and criticism of the government's attitude toward Germany were expressed in resolutions unanimously adopted by the National German-American alliance, assembled here in its eighth annual convention.

The resolutions declared the loyalty of German-Americans represented at the convention to be steadfast, but they deplored that our government has on the part of England practically permitted violations of international law and interference with commerce, to the detriment of American interests and has on the part of another country, Mexico, supplied the destruction of American life and property, while in the case of Germany it quickly assumed a threatening and uncompromising attitude.

INSISTS FRYE SINKING LEGAL

Germany Unyielding In Refusal to Admit Act Violated Treaty.

OFFERS TO MAKE PAYMENT.

Stipulates, However, That It Shall Not Be Viewed as Satisfaction For Violation of American Rights—Asks U. S. to Arbitrate at Hague.

Washington, Aug. 5.—Germany is unyielding in its refusal to concede that the sinking of the American sailing ship William P. Frye by the auxiliary cruiser Prinz Eitel Friedrich in the south Atlantic last January was a violation of American rights under the Prussian-American treaty of international law.

In reply to the last representations of the United States, the German foreign office, in a note made public here by the state department, reiterates a previous justification of Germany's course, declares again its willingness to pay for the ship and accepts a proposal first advanced by the United States—that the amount of damages be fixed by two experts, one to be selected by each country.

Such a sum the German government pledges itself to pay promptly, with the stipulation, however, that the payment shall not be viewed as a satisfaction for violation of American rights. Should that method be unsatisfactory, Germany invites the United States to arbitration at The Hague.

It is practically certain that if the United States allows the dispute to go to The Hague, it will insist that meanwhile Germany refrain from violation of what the United States contends are its rights.

The entire dispute revolves about article 13 of the Prussian-American treaty. That article, the United States contends, specifically protected the William P. Frye from being sunk, although it did not protect a contraband cargo.

GRAIN AND PROVISIONS

Closing Quotations on the Chicago Board of Trade.

Chicago, Aug. 5.—Closing prices: Wheat—Sept., \$1.08 1/2; Dec., \$1.09 1/2. Corn—Sept., 76c; Dec., 65c. Oats—Sept., 42 1/2c; Dec., 42c. Pork—Sept., \$13.35; Oct., \$13.50. Lard—Sept., \$7.92 1/2; Oct., \$8.02 1/2. Chicago Cash Prices—No. 2 hard wheat, \$1.21 1/2@1.23 1/2; No. 2 yellow corn, \$2@83c; No. 3 white oats, 53c @59c; standard, 54@60c.

Chicago Live Stock.

Chicago, Aug. 5.—Cattle—Receipts 15,000; easy; native beef steers, \$6.25@10.50; westerns, \$6.75@8.25; cows and heifers, \$5.20@9.25; calves, \$8.00@11.50. Hogs—Receipts, 28,000; dull 5c lower; bulk of sales, \$6.55@7.90; light, \$7.20@7.85; mixed, \$6.40@7.75; heavy, \$6.20@7.25; rough, \$6.20@6.35; pigs, \$6.75@7.75. Sheep—Receipts 12,000; steady; sheep, \$6.10@7; lambs 7.65@9.40.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE PLATTSMOUTH LOAN AND BUILDING ASSOCIATION.

Of Plattsmouth, Nebraska, on the 30th day of June, 1915.

CERTIFICATE No. 20

ASSETS:	
First mortgage loans	\$47,025.49
Loans on stock or pass book security	1,250.00
Real estate sold on contract	4,200.41
Real estate, office, home, other	1,250.00
Real estate sold on contract	2,250.00
Cash	1,000.00
Delinquent interest, dues and fees	210.00
Other assets advanced for stockholders	98.23
Total	\$57,473.73

LIABILITIES:	
Running stock and dividends	\$15,355.72
Reserve fund	28,000.00
Undivided profits	1,000.00
Other liabilities, matured stock	300.00
Total	\$44,655.72

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES for the year ending June 30, 1915

RECEIPTS:	
Cash on hand last report	1,396.43
Dues (running stock)	5,372.00
Paid-up stock	11,250.00
Mortgage payments	21,000.00
Stock loan payments	1,450.00
Real estate sales	1,100.00
Interest	13,250.75
Fines	90.00
Gifts	1,000.00
Membership and transfer fees	25.00
Other receipts in detail	2,472.00
Taxes paid	400.00
Total	\$62,327.74

EXPENDITURES:	
Mortgage loans	\$6,250.00
Stock loans	1,250.00
Withdrawals running stock and dividends	15,355.72
Withdrawals paid-up stock	11,000.00
Withdrawals dividend on paid-up stock	1,070.00
Salaries	1,000.00
Other expenses	30.00
Cash on hand	1,000.00
Taxes advanced for stockholders	98.23
Total	\$62,327.74

I, T. M. PATTERSON, Secretary of the above named Association, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement of the condition of said association is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

STATEMENT OF THE CONDITION OF THE LIVINGSTON LOAN AND BUILDING ASSOCIATION.

Of Plattsmouth, Neb., on the 30 day of June, 1915.

ASSETS:

First mortgage loans	\$10,000.00
Loans on stock or pass book security	2,000.00
Real estate sold on contract	1,000.00
Cash	1,000.00
Delinquent interest, dues and fees	1,000.00
Other assets, rent and interest	1,000.00
Total	\$18,000.00

LIABILITIES:

Running stock and dividends	\$10,000.00
Reserve fund	2,000.00
Undivided profits	1,000.00
Other liabilities—bills payable	1,000.00
Total	\$14,000.00

RECEIPTS AND EXPENDITURES FOR THE YEAR ENDING JUNE 30, 1915.

RECEIPTS:	
Cash on hand last report	200.00
Dues (running stock)	1,200.00
Mortgage payments	2,000.00
Stock loan payments	1,000.00
Real estate sold on contract	1,000.00
Interest	1,200.00
Fines	50.00
Membership and transfer fees	100.00
Total	\$6,700.00

EXPENDITURES:	
Mortgage loans	\$3,000.00
Stock loans	1,000.00
Withdrawals running stock and dividends	10,000.00
Salaries	2,000.00
Other expenses	100.00
Cash on hand	200.00
Insurance and Taxes paid and advanced	425.00
Rent and Repair	50.00
Total	\$16,775.00

I, C. G. FRICKE, Secretary of the above named association, do solemnly swear that the foregoing statement of the condition of said association is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief.

NOTICE OF SUIT TO QUIET TITLE.

In the District Court of the County of Cass, Nebraska.

Amelia Valley Straight, Plaintiff, vs. A. L. Small, first real name unknown, et al., Defendants.

To the Defendants: A. L. Small, first real name unknown; J. C. Small, first real name unknown; James L. Small, G. L. Small, first real name unknown; W. M. Small, first real name unknown; May Cullin, Daisy Miller, one Wright, Harry T. Miller, Eddie Jackson, one Wright; James S. Butler, also known as James S. Burnes, and the unknown heirs, legatees and devisees of Alice J. Newton, deceased, also known as Alice Newton, deceased.

You are hereby notified that on July 20th, A. D. 1915, Plaintiff filed her claim in the District Court of the County of Cass, Nebraska, to quiet title to the following described land, to-wit: Lot 13 (3) in Block nineteen Cass County, Nebraska, situated in Township 19S, Range 10E, County of Cass, Nebraska.

Because of her adverse possession by herself and her grantors for more than ten years prior to the commencement of said suit, and to enjoy each and all of you from having or claiming any right, title, lien or interest, either legal or equitable, in or to said land or any part thereof and for general equitable relief. This notice is hereby published to the order of the Court.

You are required to answer said petition on or before Monday, the 23rd day of September, A. D. 1915, or your default will be duly entered therein.

AMELIA VALLEY STRAIGHT, Plaintiff.

W. A. ROBERTSON, Attorney.

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