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NEWS OF THE DAY

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 29, 1898.

Saint Thomas of Canterbury.—W. E. Gladstone born, 1809.—361 day past, 2 to the end of the year.

POLITICAL NOTES.

We fear that, unless a sudden and unexpected change comes over the political atmosphere, the idea of immediate return to constitutional government may be regarded as lost. The opposition, sincere but mistaken, of those who regard the letter of the constitution as of greater importance than the spirit, and the intrigues of those who are interested in prolonging the present situation of doubt and agitation, have triumphed over common sense and the claims of public interests. We cannot but regret, not merely for the dangers and injuries involved in an unnecessary prolongation of the irregular period, but also because of the evidence it gives of the want of stability and unity of ideas in the political world, and the abandonment of the ideas and principles which inspired the evolution of February last. It is, however, merely a repetition of the old painful story on which we have commented so frequently in these columns. The public interests of the country, which ought to be supreme, are continually doomed to sacrifice, either by an exaggerated spirit of formalism, or by the caprices or intrigues of some petty faction. At one time it was the Government itself that compelled the sacrifice, today it is the Government, but the politicians and intriguers around it and whom it has not strength or spirit enough to defy. But whatever or whoever the persecuting factor, it is invariably the country that is the victim. It is such things as this that make one despair of any real or permanent improvement taking place in the political status of Uruguay. The spirit which should make the public good the supreme arbiter seems wanting even amongst those of her politicians who are otherwise honest and well-intentioned.

The special sitting of the Council of State convoked on Tuesday for the consideration of the 'minute of communication' respecting immediate convocation of the Chambers, could not take place for want of a quorum. This was owing to the non-attendance of all the nationalist members, in accordance with the declaration recently issued by the Committee of their party. It would also seem that the 'minute' is meeting with such slight support both in Committee and outside it, that the affair will probably end by its being withdrawn. This, at least, is the impression conveyed by the majority of our contemporaries, the *Dia* alone still asserting that the matter is going well. Another informal meeting of legislators elect is called for today, the previous one having come to nothing practical owing to the small attendance.

Even the *Siglo* has thought it necessary to enter a protest against the trickery, shown by the electoral colleges of Paysandu and Tacuarembó in pledging their votes to one candidate and then electing another. Though the trick was successful, it says it shows a deplorable want of morality. 'It cannot be admitted that the voter has the right to promise his vote with the deliberate intention of breaking the pledge next day and giving his vote elsewhere. If so strange a procedure became general, there would be no trusting any one's word in matters political, and this certainly would not be a step towards the

institutional reconstruction in which we are engaged. Between the attitude of the electors of Salto, disputing the triumph of officialism, and the attitude of the electors of Tacuarembó, who saluted Dr. Rodriguez as their candidate and a few hours afterwards denied him their votes at the moment of election, we decidedly prefer the former, whatever our ideas contrary to the official candidates whom we have severely criticised, for a triumph so gained is a much greater danger than a defeat which prepares for future struggles.

The *Dia* comments on the above remarks of the *Siglo*, takes the opportunity of addressing to it the following pertinent observations:—'It is worth while noting that, the Chambers being an electoral college of the President of the Republic, they cannot elect any one else than Sr. Cuestas without leaving on upright minds an impression equal to that created by the colleges of Tacuarembó and Paysandu. It is also worth while noting that, in advocating, for vain motives, the rupture of the electoral accord between the parties as regards the presidential election, there is advocated a breach of faith much more repugnant than that of Tacuarembó and Paysandu, and in which far more solemn promises are implicated.'

The Classifying or Assessing Committee appointed to examine the claims for requisitions made during the civil war, has announced the completion of its labours and has presented its full Report to the Ministry of Finance. The total of the claims allowed is about \$14,000, which will be paid by the 2nd Series of the Exordinary 1887 Loan, as recently authorised. The Committee has returned some 48 claims which are not accompanied with sufficient vouchers or proofs to justify their admission.

The Executive has presented to the Council of State for consideration the scheme of reforms of Book 4 of the Commercial Code, as drafted by Sr. Joaquín Márquez and revised by a special Committee. The question of the new Cabinet is again occupying the attention of our contemporaries, who comment on the prejudice to public interests in the delay in forming it. (This is rather absurd. The prejudice is not nearly so great as that caused by the delay in returning to constitutional government, and the one is practically the consequence of the other. Sr. Cuestas is not likely to find men of value willing to accept portfolios in a Cabinet without certainty of existence beyond two months, nor could such a Cabinet develop any policy. The question of constitutionality must be solved before that of the Cabinet can be embarked upon.) Some decidedly fantastic combinations are rumored, but the only certainty seems that, as Sr. R. Domínguez refuses to accept the portfolio of Government, it may be offered to Dr. A. M. Rodríguez in compensation for the loss of his seat in the Senate. The capacity of Dr. Rodríguez for the post is undeniable, but his recent close connection with 'collectivism,' of which he was the parliamentary leader for several years, makes him a candidate whom it would be difficult to regard with favor.

The Gale in America.

Boston, Nov. 29.
Advices from North Truro, Massachusetts, confirm the report that the American steamer *Portland* was totally wrecked at ten o'clock on Sunday morning off the Highland Light, and that all on board perished within a short distance of the land. The steamer carried a crew of 49, and 65 passengers. A large quantity of wreckage, including several trunks and other material, has been brought ashore.

Up to midnight yesterday evening 34 bodies, one of which was that of a woman, had been recovered from the surf by a life saving crew. The news was brought by special train to the *Boston Herald*, as telegraphic communication with Cape Cod is still impossible owing to the storm. The *Portland* was a wooden paddle steamer of 2284 tons gross, and was built in 1897. It is thought that the *Portland* was caught in the storm after her departure and breaking down, drifted ashore, and was destroyed.

New York, Nov. 29.

Stories of the havoc wrought among shipping by the tempest continue to be received from all parts. Several steamers have arrived in North Atlantic ports with the entire crews or portions of the crews of wrecked sailing vessels. A number of these were wrecked off the coast near Long Island, but no loss of life is reported. Reports from Boston by wire and mail messengers state that up to noon the increase in the number of disasters made it difficult to estimate the actual loss of life and shipping off the coast of New England.

Advices hitherto received state that at least 30 schooners have been wrecked between Eastport and Newhaven. Besides these 86 vessels were stranded and 14 loaded and empty coal barges, besides a large number of smaller craft, were driven ashore. These are exclusive of 30 vessels, wholly or partially wrecked, in Boston Harbour, where about 40 persons perished.

The gale at Block Island is the worst known, and the wind was reaching a velocity of 90 miles an hour, when the recording instrument became disarranged. Some local craft were wrecked, and several summer hotels were unroofed and otherwise damaged by the storm. At the extreme point of Cape Cod the gale was the severest on record. Over 30 vessels were driven ashore, but there was no loss of life. At Provincetown the streets were inundated by seawater, and the inhabitants were obliged to go about in boats. Several houses along the coast were wrecked.

Holy Trinity Church.

Jan. 1.—Circumcision, 9:45 a. m.—Sunday school.
11 a. m.—Matins and Sermon.—*Venite, Chants as set.*—*Calmis, ditto.*—*Te Deum.*—*Agnes—Benedictus, Te Deum.*—*Hymns, 74.*
—*Antiph.*—*O. come, Redeemer of mankind.*—*Kyrie Eleison.*
12:15 p. m.—Holy Communion.
8 p. m.—Evening and Sermon.—*Psalm, Asaph.*—*Magnificat.*—*Simpser.*—*Nunc Dimittis.*—*Simpser.*—*Hymns, 165, 78, 63.*—*Antiph.*
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SUNDRIES.

A fine total eclipse of the moon took place on Tuesday evening, the eclipse becoming total from about 7:45 to 8:30 p. m., during which period the moon resembled a blood-red globe suspended in the sky, the 'marke' being still clearly visible. The night was beautiful, clear for observation, but as the eclipse had already begun, and daylight was still abroad, when the moon rose, the first stages of the phenomenon could not be seen.

There are important changes on the *Razon*. Dr. Martín O. Martínez, who had held the post of political editor since the death of Dr. C. M. Ramírez some four months ago, has resigned, owing to discord with the proprietors over certain political questions. This has also provoked the resignation of Dr. Samuel Blixen, the intemperate 'Suplente,' whose brilliant literary, critical and humorous articles were a great attraction to general readers. From the new year the political direction of the journal will be entrusted to Dr. Juan Andrés Ramírez who is, we believe, son of Dr. Juan Pedro Ramírez and nephew of the late editor Dr. C. M. Ramírez. He is a relatively young man, but has already won his journalistic spurs. Who will take Dr. Blixen's place we cannot yet say, but it is to be hoped that his absence from the press will be of the shortest duration for there is no more entertaining journalist here.

A new 'blanco' organ will appear in a day or two. It will be called *El Partido Nacional*. The Chief Editor will be Dr. Juan Gil, 2nd Vice President of the party, and he will be assisted by Dr. Rosalío Rodríguez Carlos Roxio (for many years associated with the *Nacional*) Vicente Ponce de León, and other well known writers. We cannot say in what its policy will differ from the other 'blanco' organ *El Nacional*.

The two foolish young men who a few weeks ago challenged the Prefect Sr. R. Domínguez to a duel with Dr. Andrés Dubra, editor of the extinct *Vanguardia*, on account of some fancied personal offence to the latter in the task of arresting him, have repeated their folly, and on Tuesday again visited Sr. Domínguez to challenge him to a duel. Sr. Domínguez told them roundly that he was not going to engage in any such nonsense, and that he would only respond for his acts as functionary according to the methods sanctioned by law. With this answer they were compelled to retire. We heartily congratulate Sr. Domínguez—whose personal courage is out of question—on the view he has taken of the matter. If there were a few more like him, the wretched custom of duelling would soon fall into disuse.

We are glad to learn that the ex-policeman Betancour or Bentancour, who committed the murder on Sunday night, has been arrested, not far from the scene of his crime. This shows that he was not the same Betancour who committed the murder on Monday at San José.

The masters and cadets of the Military Academy have gone into camp at Punta Carretas for practical instruction in tactics and manoeuvres. It is splendid weather for camping out.

Subscribers to the British Episcopal Church are reminded of the Annual General Meeting to be held in the British Consulate at 4 p. m. this afternoon.

The R. M. S. 'Magdalena,' bringing London dates to about the 10th instant, is expected tomorrow afternoon and will sail homeward bound on January 7th.

We learn from Buenos Aires that Mr. E. Thornton, Secretary of the British Legation there, is to be transferred to a similar post of Athens, and will be replaced by Mr. Clarence, at present Secretary in Rio Janeiro. Mr. Thornton has long been associated with the River Plate and his departure will be a matter of regret on both sides.

The Queen we learn from our London exchanges has approved the promotion of Admiral Sir Frederick Richards G. C. B., to the rank of Admiral of the Fleet, in recognition of his distinguished services. The promotion is to be additional to the existing numbers. At the request of the First Lord, Sir Frederic Richards has consented to continue at the Admiralty as First Naval Lord until the middle of next year. As the Senior Naval Lord, Admiral Sir Frederic Richards has been chief professional adviser to Lord Spencer, and is, therefore entitled with his colleagues on the Board of Admiralty to the credit for the latest development of naval strength as represented by the splendid battleships *Majestic*, *Magnificent*, and others of their class. He first came into prominent notice during the Zulu and Boer wars, when he got his K. C. B. He was Junior Naval Lord in Lord Northbrook's naval administration. When promoted to flag rank he got command of the East India station, and was specially thanked by the Indian Government for the completeness of his organization of the naval forces in Burma. The last appointment held by him before joining Lord Spencer's Board was that of Commander-in-Chief of the Chinese station, where his experience would be particularly valuable to the Admiralty in recent naval arrangements there.

The British Government, says a telegram, has decided that Lord Kitchener shall have direct intervention in the affairs of the Sudan, which would have been undertaken by Lord Cromer, the diplomatic agent it was on account of this that Lord Kitchener was not appointed commander in chief of the British army of occupation.

The Emperor William has expressed his intention to write a book on his impressions during his journey in the East.

'Teasing Friend': 'What makes that new baby at your house cry so much, Tommy? Tommy, indignantly: 'It don't cry so very much and anyway, if all your teeth were out, and your hair off, and your legs so weak you couldn't stand on them, I fancy you'd feel like crying yourself!'

Teacher: 'Mary, make a sentence with "dogma" as a subject.' Mary, after careful thought: 'The dogma has three puppies.'

We quote from the *B. A. Herald*:—The Society for Protection of Animals is agitating against the mock bull fights which are held now at several places. It is about time, too, as the mock fight is almost as degrading as a real affair, and is training the people to love the barbarous sport. The law does not prevent bull fights because of the mere fact that blood is shed only, but also because of the evil after-effects on the spectators. Besides which, the bulls are badly fed, and teased and tired out uselessly.

It is a curious comment upon the permanence of sailors' superstitions in these days of steam, electricity, and materialism generally that it was found necessary to ship the dead bodies of the drowned Americans in the Mohagan disaster across the Atlantic in carefully disguised cases labelled 'Machinery.' The *Marquette* was the name of the steamship which carried this sad cargo, and there is no doubt that if the crew had suspected what was contained in that shipment, the greater number of them would at all costs have refused to leave port, not so much because sailors have any particular grievance against the dead as because their presence on board ship is supposed infallibly to bring disaster. Even the safe arrival of the *Marquette* will probably fail to explode this particular superstition.

Professor Sanarelli, Director of the Institute of Experimental Hygiene and discoverer of the yellow fever bacillus and serum, has just gained, in public competition, the important post of Lecturer of Bacteriology in the historic University of Bologna. We may mention that there is not the least truth in the

slandrous report that he was already separated from his wife whom he married just before leaving Montevideo about a year ago.

There men, all of bad character, have been arrested in Nico Perez on suspicion of complicity in the murder of Sr. Ibarra last week. One of them is a brother of the man Freire who is already under arrest for having attempted to murder Sr. Ibarra some months ago.

Terrible storms are raging, with the usual consequences, in the British Channel, and on the southern and eastern coasts of England. In the port of London, 5 men have been killed, and a number injured by the effects of the storm.

The Dreyfus case is approaching another crisis, the secret dossier having been at last communicated, though under special reserves, to the Court of Cassation. It is said that Dreyfus will be taken from his prison on Devil's Island, to be conveyed to France, in the course of next week. There is a report that he is a complete physical and mental wreck. This comes from an obscure French provincial paper, but given the terrible sufferings he must have endured, it may well be true. Ugly rumors are still current of a military conspiracy to upset the republic in France by a *coup d'état* in case Dreyfus should return or be declared innocent.

BUENOS AIRES.

—There was truly shocking news from the Florencio (Langworthy) Colony in the Chaco on Monday. The whole place has been sacked by the Indians, and no fewer than twelve persons murdered. On Christmas morning two hundred savages swept down on the colony like wolves on a fold, sacked the shops and private houses, and butchered a dozen settlers in cold blood, then driving off numbers of cattle and horses to their 'oldies.' Amongst those killed is Sr. Bargelloni, an old colonist. All the settlers are terrified, as they have no arms to repel these attacks. The savages amongst whom are 'gauchos malos' and 'Christians'?? criminals of the deepest dye, are all armed with Remingtons and Mausers! It would be interesting to know how they came by these arms. It is really inexplicable that the War Office should leave the Santa Fé frontier without troops of the Line, when there are so many regiments quartered in other places where they are not required.

The Santa Fé police have just pounced on a gang of cattle thieves at Selva, San Cristobal. What's more, they have proved up to the hilt that the Police Comisarios, the authorities in the Receptoría offices, and a number of other officials are all implicated in the stealing! It's the old story. When taking office, Governor Iturrasé promised to stamp out the cattle-thieving before he took other reforms in successful raid on the criminals, and it is to be hoped it will be vigorously followed up.

Three skeletons of human beings have been found on the coast at Hopper Bay, at the Isla de los Estados, by a commission of sailors of the Subprefectura who set out in search of wreckage. It appears that these three unfortunate human beings must have either been wrecked, or deserted on the island. According to an examination made by Dr. Pinchetti in San Juan de Salomano of the two skulls, the third man must have been the unfortunate victim to satisfy the hunger of the other two, as only a few of his bones were found here and there, they could only have been dead five years; and what's more, the formation of the skulls shows that one of them must have been an African and the other a European. The sheath of a clasp knife and some boots that were found near by also show that these men must have been sailors on either an English or German vessel. The Government should foresee the possibilities of such disasters, and leave reasonable supplies of provisions on those islands which are most likely to be visited by shipwrecked mariners. Very probably at the time these unfortunate men were dying of hunger, the Government boat *Goldolina* was down South, and, instead of searching all inlets and bays of the different islands, was carefully anchored in some safe, populated harbour.—*B. A. Standard.*

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LONDON NOTES

WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 30. The interpellations on the Picquet affair which were to have been addressed to the Government in the French Senate yesterday were at the last moment withdrawn...

A severe gale has raged along the American coast, doing great damage. The steamer Portland has been wrecked, and the crew and passengers, numbering 114 persons, drowned.

It is reported from Washington that the tariff to be applied in Cuba will operate against all nations equally, the United States included.

Under the presidency of Sir Benjamin Stone the thirty-second annual conference of the National Union of Conservative Associations was opened at Bristol yesterday. Amongst the questions discussed was that of Redistribution, Major Rash, M.P., moving a resolution declaring that the great inequality of representation in the House of Commons demanded the attention of the Government.

Mr. Balfour addressed a mass meeting in the evening. Referring to the foreign policy of the Government he said he never remembered an occasion on which all sections of public opinion were so absolutely unanimous in supporting the Government. By their recent attitude the Opposition had shown that they knew how to subordinate party to national interests.

Further evidence against the scheme for bringing water to London from Wales was given yesterday to the Water Commission by Mr. Middleton, J.E., who expressed his opinion that it might not be necessary to go to Wales until the century after next.

Yesterday afternoon Lord Kitchener, who is the guest of Lord Rosebery at Dalmeny, visited Edinburgh, and received the degree of LL.D. from Edinburgh University in the library of the college later in the afternoon, in McEwan Hall.

In the evening the Lord Provost gave a banquet to four hundred guests. Lord Rosebery proposed the toast of the two youngest bourgeois; eulogizing Lord Dufferin's services to the State, and speaking eloquently of the achievement of the Sirdar in having written a new page of British history, and at the same time blotted out an old one, the Sudan was abandoned, he said not because of failure on our part, but because we were in expectation of being locked in war with a great Power with respect to Persia.

This morning appears a letter from Lord Kitchener of Khartoum appealing on behalf of a race dependent upon our mercy, in the name of Gordon, and in the cause of that civilization which is the life of the Empire of Britain, for funds for the foundation and maintenance of a Gordon Memorial College at Khartoum.

The British North Borneo dinner was held at the Hotel Cecil last evening, and not only were encouraging accounts given of that territory but allusions were made to the political changes in China, and the acquisition of the Philippine Islands by the Americans. It was

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pointed out that these changes would necessarily make North Borneo of great strategic value, and that the maintenance of an open door for trade in the Sulu portion of the Philippine group was of importance to North Borneo.

Without discussion the London County Council yesterday appointed as Chief Officer of Tramways, at a salary of 1,600 per annum, Mr. John Young, who has served the Municipality of Glasgow in a similar capacity. As the outcome of a long and interesting debate, the Council afterwards defined in two particulars the scope of a more through policy regarding the provision of dwellings for the working classes. It decided to provide accommodation for a number of persons equal to (instead of considerably less than, as hitherto) the number of the working classes displaced by its clearance and improvement schemes.

Distributing the prizes at the Foundation School, Whitechapel-road, last night, Sir John Gorst dwelt on the necessity for organization among local councils and educational bodies with a view of making the most of the means available for technical and commercial education. From information that had recently reached him he believed that this question was being considered in the various large centres of population, including the Metropolis, and he anticipated the best results.

Further evidence against the scheme for bringing water to London from Wales was given yesterday to the Water Commission by Mr. Middleton, J.E., who expressed his opinion that it might not be necessary to go to Wales until the century after next.

Sir Francis Jeune yesterday disposed, in the Divorce Court, of a suit in which Mr. L. S. Outram, an actor and dramatic author, sought for the dissolution of his marriage on the ground of his wife's misconduct with Mr. Bertie Thomas, an actor at present engaged at the Lyceum Theatre. There was no defence. The parties to the suit had been acquaintances in private life, and the respondent and co-respondent were recently members of the same dramatic touring company.

A decree nisi was pronounced, and the jury assessed the damages against the co-respondent at 800l. Two men giving the names of William Johnson and Moss Lippman were brought before Mr. Lane, Q.C., at the West London Police court yesterday, on the charge of being concerned in the robbery of the Dowager Duchess of Sutherland's jewels at Paris. Their capture was effected at Cathcart-road, South Kensington, by officers of Scotland Yard The Duchess having been called to identify some of the articles of jewellery found at Cathcart-road, and formal evidence of arrest having been given, prisoners were remanded.

A coroner's inquiry into the circumstances attending the death of James Ludden, an apprentice in the training stables of Messrs Taylor at Manton, was concluded yesterday. It was alleged that the lad's death was due to ill-treatment he had received at that establishment. A verdict of manslaughter was returned by the jury against Mr. Tom Taylor, and Reeves and Stickler, two of the stable employes. The Coroner said he disagreed with the verdict, but bound over the three persons named to appear when called upon at the Assizes.

COMMERCIAL

STOCK EXCHANGE. Montevideo, Dec 28, 1898.

Business shows no signs of improvement, nor is it likely to while the political crisis continues. Prices

opened weak, but strengthened in second ring and closed with a tendency to recover. Sales as follows—Extraordinary 1897 Loan, \$33,400 at 53.80 cash, 55 for end of Feb. Ditto, 2nd Series, \$20,000 at 53 for end of Feb.

Treasury Certificate Debt, \$32,130 at 51.40 to 52.20 cash. Cedulas A, \$8000 at 41.80. Mortgage Bank, 50 shares at 13.70 and 13.80.

Consolidated Debt, \$189,410 at 42.70 to 42.60 to 42.80 closing fairly firm at 42.80 cash and end of month; end of January 43. London quotation steady at 48 1/4.

EXCHANGE.

Table with columns: Bank, Commercial, London, Paris, Antwerp, Germany, N. York, Italy, Spain, Brazil, B. Aires 2 1/2 dis.

Business Notes.

The Custom House paid into the London Bank yesterday \$12299 on account of the Consolidated Debt and Railway guarantee service and \$1503 on account of the 5% Loan service.

Gold opened in B. Aires yesterday at 209.30 and closed at 209.20. Exchange upon London was quoted in Rio Janeiro yesterday at 7 1/2 to 5/8 d. per milreis, closing weak.

London: 28 Wheat 27s-9d. Linseed 33s-9d. Maize 16s-7 1/2 d. Antwerp Wheat 16.25 francs, linseed 22.825 for January and February, maize 10.625. Wool, class B, 4.825 francs for January, 4.60 for March.

Wool firm though rather quiet. In Station some 128,500 kilos sold at \$3.80 to 3.10 per 100 kilos, according to class.

Saladero Killings.

Table with columns: Name, Total to date, R. Vellozo, P. Denis & Co., Anaya & Irigoyen, Aguirre y Cia., Clouzet y Ducloux, F. Freguero, P. San Martin & hijos, Rosarco Tabares, Ducloux y Monlleu, E. Legrand y Co., F. Gibla Larraide y Co., Jaume Bros.

Total, 8637 101754. Same period 1897, 60017 118162. Prices, Baeyes \$ 20 1/2 to 23. Novillas, 18 1/2 to 19 1/4. Vacas, 11 1/4 to 12 1/2.

Buenos Aires, Dec. 28, 1898. Gold, cash, 207.80. Do. end of month, 207.50. Cedulas 8%, 15 and end of month, 15.30. Gas Primitivo, cash, 220. Emprerito Nacional, 1897, end of month, 73.50. Emprerito Popular Interno, 1898, cash, 71.40. Do. end of month, 71.50. Do. end of Jan, 72. Consolidada Interna 1894, 78.50. Obligac. Banco Constructor, 3.80. The «San Martin» and «Labrador» sail.

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(Conclusion)

The rain was over, and the moon had risen by this time, and a portion of its rays shone through a small grating opening high up in the wall, and etched in her figure with their silvery radiance.

Presently she spoke again.

"You thought to deceive a blind woman by passing yourself off as her son, and for a time you succeeded."

Your voice was not like the voice of my Harry, and yet was there a half-familiar echo in it. It was the echo of your own voice, Brian Bostock—of a voice that was heard often enough, years ago, under this roof.

What object brought you to Windybrow to-night—even at the risk of recognition and capture—is not hard to guess. No doubt you knew it was my rent day, and that there would be a considerable sum of money in the house. Nor will you have forgotten that all my mother's jewels came to me at her death—I remember that Harry persuaded me to show them to you on one occasion—not that among my possessions is a quantity of old family plate. Oh, I do not doubt that you and your confederates looked forward to having a very pretty haul!

She changed her position a little, and then resumed: "Yes, you deceived me at first, so plausible was your manner, so seeming true the tale you told; and when I found that the locket which held a tress of my dead child's hair was still in your keeping, I felt assured that you were indeed my long lost son. And now let me tell you how I was deceived. When you were about to give me the locket my fingers closed over your right hand for a moment, and then it was I discovered that your index finger was deficient at its top joint. You lost it by an accident when a youth of fourteen at once I knew you for the man you really are—for the wretch who first led my son into evil courses, and was the ruin of his life. But, in order to make assurance doubly sure, I put to you a question about the colour of my daughter's eyes. At once you fell into the trap, and agreed with me that they were jet-black. Had you been her brother, you would have remembered how often you likened them to the forget-me-nots you used to gather for her in Bloxham Woods."

Again she paused. For a little while it seemed as if the emotions which, so far, her iron will had succeeded in crushing down, were about to break their bonds. Seating herself on one of the steps she pressed both hands over her heart, and rocked her body to and fro, while more than one dry sob escaped her. But the crisis passed, leaving her as stonily cold and implacable as before.

Meanwhile, not a sound had reached her from within the cellar. Again she resumed her position by the door, and now her voice took on a fuller tone, a sterner emphasis. It was the voice of one who both denounces and condemns.

"Listen, Brian Bostock," she said, "while I tell you by what means my son's locket came into your keeping. You murdered him, and then rifled his dead body, and the locket was a part of your booty!"

From the cellar came a sharp cry, that ended in a half-strangled gasp. It was as though some one had clutched the throat of the man inside with a murderous grip.

"Yes, you stole treacherously upon him as he lay asleep in the shadow of a tree, and stabbed him to the heart. I saw you do it—I, who am blind! You are the man whose face in my dream I could not distinguish. I know it—I feel sure of it! The locket condemns you."

Again she was compelled to pause and press her hands to her heart. Its pulsations sounded in her ears like the rhythmic beating of a hammer. But she had not yet said all she had to say.

It is not for the lesser crime of forgery, Brian Bostock, that you shall be hanged upon to expiate your guilt, but for the crime of murder. You killed my son in cold blood, and your life shall surely pay the forfeit. If, needs be, I will spend my last shilling in bringing home your guilt to you. You had no mercy on him as he lay asleep, and none shall be shown you. The gallows is your doom."

Hardly had the last word left her lips when the sound of a loud knocking at the front door smote her ears. It served to wake her, as it were, from a dreadful nightmare. She drew a deep breath, and her brain cleared. Then she put forth her hands and satisfied herself that the iron door was really shut, and then she turned and went slowly up the steps. But before she reached the top the knocking was repeated. What could anybody want at Windybrow at that hour of the night? It was too early to expect the servants back; besides which, they would have gone round to the other entrance, the key of which they had with them, and have let themselves quietly into the house.

It was with a distinct sense of relief, when she reached the door and asked who was there, that Mrs. Carstairs recognised the voice of her manager, Daniel Grooms. At once the door was opened.

Grooms, it appeared, had ridden post-haste to Windybrow in order to inform his mistress that one of the Layricks in the Lower Mead had been burnt to the ground. No doubt it was the work of an incendiary, he went on to say, and he wanted her authority to at once put the hands of the police.

"Never mind the boys," replied Mrs. Carstairs, to his extreme as-

tonishment, "but ride at once into Danesford and send a couple of constables here with all speed."

An hour later, under the guidance of Grooms, who carried a lighted lamp, the iron door was opened by the police. Stretched along the floor lay the body of Bostock, stone-dead. Near at hand was a tiny phial, which had contained a deadly poison. On his person was found a pocket-book, which the mistress of Windybrow identified as having been the property of her son.

Whether the death of Harry Carstairs could have been brought home to Bostock—who was the son of a small farmer in the neighbourhood—seems very doubtful, although there might be no moral question of his guilt. That he would have been tried and convicted for the forgery committed by him so many years before, there could be no doubt whatever, as he must have been well aware. Rather, however, than face all that such a prospect involved, he had preferred to bring his crime-stained life to a premature close. Of the confederate who was to have helped him in the carrying off and disposal of the plunder of which he hoped to despoil the mistress of Windybrow, nothing was ever ascertained.

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