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THE VAURIGARD -:- DIAMOND -:-

By HORACE HAZELTINE

"Oh, I am sure they would. Other-

"To be sure. How else do you sup-

"Capital! You shall lunch with

ive rejoinder. "And the time?"

"It will be delightful."

"party" had rung off.

congratulated himself.

Since his role was to be that of the

er than X Y Z, Hotel Plaza, will be

Van Braun read it through twice,

and then, lowering the paper to his lap,

sat thoughtfully staring at nothing,

while the mystery deepened. How was

it possible, he asked himself, to recon-

cile Cinderella's plea and this some-

what cryptic warning of "X Y Z"

was endeavoring to secure possession

of that which belonged only to one

And in either event, what was there

about a slipper, extraordinary in neith-

er material nor making, to excite so

He was still immersed in the grow

ing intricacies of the problem, when a

him; and he turned abruptly to see,

sitting on the bench beside him, a

smartly dressed young woman, who

"You'll excuse me, won't you. Mr.

pelieve you don't. I'm Miss Williams

But Van Braun had by this recov

member you. You're the young lady

from one of the newspapers, that I

used to meet at my friends' weddings.

when I played the part of usher

And I used to see you at the opera,

too; and at the horse show, and at

dances: and you were always asking

me questions that, had they been ask-

"And you always answered my

questions very fully and enlightening-

"Yes." he said, with a smile; "yet

She laughed again, and he smiled

"If it weren't that you are so much

prettier and not a bit round-shoul-

dered. I'd call you a human interro

She moved several inches closer to

not always truthfully, I fear, since

rudely impertinent."

or mine to tell."

vith self-satisfaction

"I'm going to ask you

w," she announced.

nuch covetous regard?

fairly

prosecuted.

discovered rather than of the discov

"Will 2 o'clock be agreeable?"

asked. "Will you wear a blue rose in

adventure held an element of the un-

pleasant. Throughout it all he had

een at a disadvantage. Clearly enough

she knew him; but he was utterly at

a loss to conceive her identity. More-

over, the whole conversation, pitched as

rang false, and, it seemed to him, sin-

He took up the slipper again, and

"And did she do that?"

Ten inches higher, and it would have he discovered later, it loosened the setloosened a tooth or two. As it was, so ting of the big black pearl which approve of my giving the slipper back adorned his shirt bosom, and left a tiny to you?" round bruise where the underside of the stud had struck sharply over his wise my fairy godmother wouldn't breast bone. The immediate effect, have given me your name and adhowever on Mr. Gramercy Van Braun dress. was a momentary one of startled astonishment. The thing, whatever it was, had come hurtling, apparently, out pose I should ever have learned who of the sheer, ethereal ambient of Fath had the slipper?" avenue at 2 o'clock in the morning.

Sauntering, somewhat leisurely, for you wish me to bring it to you?" the night was unseasonably mild, from his club towards his apartments, his other half way," she suggested. mood one of preoccupation, he had been brought to a sudden stand by this then indistinguishable missile, flyingyou the slipper between courses.' not from above, but rather on an upward slant from the level-into swift percussion with his broadly capacious chest; whence it had dropped, lightly enough now, to the pavement.

Holding his curiosity as to the nature of the object rigidly in check, he made a hasty survey of his surroundings. He had just crossed Forty-second street, going northward; and he had the entire block to himself. In neither direction was there a single pedestrian in sight. But, down the avenue, possibly half a block distant, he saw the rear lights of what were evidently a limousine and a taxicab rapidly fading into the night shadows. For an instant his gaze searched the recessed doorways of adjacent shops for some lurking creature upon whom to fix the blame-some jovial reveler, perhaps-but the doorways were clear-

A second or two accomplished this; and then, he picked up the thing that had struck him. To his added perplexity, it was a lady's slipper; a very tiny one of white satin, and elaborately it had been, in the key of the fanciful, ornamented with seed pearls. An inspiration, rather than suspicion, caused him to tear off a glove and thrust as much of his hand as this dainty piece of footwear would accommodate into its interior. As he had fancied might be possible, the lining was distinctly warm. A minute ago, the slipper had the voice and the slipper did not fit. encased the delicate foot of its fair wearer.

slim, sinewy, rarely regular and pleas tional interest. A score of questions now took the place of one, and clamorwell dressed, anticipated his appointed for answer. Who was she? Was ment by all of fifteen minutes. He had. she young? Was she beautiful? Was however, taken the precaution of seshe in the limousine or in the taxicab? Why did she throw the slipper away discovering the restaurants overflow Did she throw it at him? Or, was its striking him an accident? Was it possible that she had recognized him? Did she do it in a spirit of mischief? Did she have some serious purpose? Would he ever learn her name? Would -And so they multiplied.

er, he bought an early edition of one of He was still propounding them as he turned the corner of Forty-fourth the evening papers, at the newsstand, and then flung himself down or street, and noted the unmistakable one of the most conspicuously placed signs of a dance at Sherry's. He wonof the upholstered benches, to await dered whether she might have been in the coming of the puzzling, if not attendance there, and going home thus wholly attractive, Cinderella, And, as early. Two cloak-wrapped figures were if magnetized for his eyes' attraction, a entering an electric brougham as he and Found" heading, sprang out before

For six months or more, Van Braun had been ranching in Wyoming. Only the flaunting news headlines, and grapyesterday he had dropped quietly back pled his attention. What he read was into town, and not more than a hand- this: ful of his friends knew of his unheralded return. Otherwise he might have been a guest here, himself. He had returned to his old rooms in the Regina, near the Bar association, at the other end of the block. And now, as he entered them and switched on the lights, he drew the mysterious slipper from his pocket, and placed it, conspic uously, atop a little pile of books, on

the centre table, in his study. While in the act of removing his overcoat, the sudden, sharp, reverber-

ant call of the telephone arrested him. A woman's voice came to him over and the same? Or was it that each the wire; a rather light, thin voice, high pitched. In vain, he made effort to identify it, as, interrupted only by its own rippling laughter, it ran spiritedly through its fancy-framed narra-

"This is Cinderella speaking." It wa so the subject was introduced. "Flying from a ball, at Sherry's, oh, long, long, unhappily long after midnight my crystal slipper was sped miraculously from my foot and through the open window of my golden chariot. just an instant before that glorious ve hicle turned once more into the pump kin from which it sprang. And you my fair Prince Charming, if that crue old witch, my fairy god-mother is to session. Pray, O pray, dear Prince, for the sake of romance, promise that you will not hold it as a keepsake, but re-

Young Van Braun hesitated just breath before he made reply. It seemed quite evident to him that the speaker was some one he knew; and yet, so far as his recollection went, the voice was totally strange.

ing chuckle. "It is a very tiny, fairy-

Lightly, her laughter flowed over the ly." she told him. sometimes I didn't know, and at oth-

"Oh, I see," he said, as if thoroughthe size, too, just as readily, these twentieth century fairies? Glass slippers always stayed glass slippers when gation point," he chaffed. what can I tell you?" I was a boy. And their size never va-

told him. 'T've been assigned to find

out." She opened the capacious handbag she carried, and taking from it a small newspaper clipping, passed it to him. "I imagine that in some way he is connected with this."

"You alarm me," he cried. "Am I had hollowed it out, and then re- little misleading. I offered no reward, liable, then, to get into trouble over placed it. An agent of the United for instance, because I did not wish to

> York. When he looked at the young woman again, he was smiling broadly. "But why ask me?" was his query, you represent the loser?" "I'm neither a smuggler nor a cus-

"I never thought of that," he fooled. 'Will you come here after it? Or do at this moment, protruding from your our temporary right to its possession

Instinctively, as it were, omorrow, at the Plaza, and I'll hand "You're a dear," was the appreciasudden embarrassment.

> "And you are waiting, now, for the "On the contrary," he said, "I am

the hook of the instrument; but the waiting for the lady of the telephone only answer was from the clerk in the -a certan Miss Cinderella who was office, downstairs, who said that his o prove her claim to the slipper, and, incidentally, be my guest at lunch-The incident annoyed him more than on." The look he gave her was sigit perplexed him. It was all very mysnificant, but she ignored it. terious, to be sure; but he felt that, in spite of a woman's seeming gavety, the

he suggested. "No," he returned enigmatically 'On the contrary, you have merely expedited matters. I shall wait for the lady no longer." He looked at his watch. "It is three minutes after the hour of appointment and I am

stickler for punctuality. As he was speaking his gaze was attracted. A lady was bowing to him from across the corridor; a young held it, almost carelessly. For the life lady, whose delicate, creamy comof him, he could not have explained the plexion was enhanced by the jetty feeling that swept over him. He only black brim of the large picture hat knew that, for some strange reason, which framed the pure oval of her

In his eagerness to delve to the core Instantly, Van Braun was on his of the mystifying problem-to test it, feet, pleasure beaming in every linea-He flung the request back to Miss Wiling of feature, and inconspicuously

"Fancy meeting you here!" he addressed the other, taking her hand 'I thought-

curing a table by telephone; for which, "That I was forever lost in the fogs of London?" she interrupted gayly. ing, and every chair in the adjacent 'Oh, dear, no. I arrived two days passages occupied by a more or less ago, for the Minturn wedding. Sallie impatiently waiting luncher, he now is marrying a connection of mine, you know; the Duc de Vaurigard. They

"Yes," he answered; "for near!; two years, all told. For the past six months I've been ranching in Wyoming. I know absolutely nothing ofhe paused. If the look he bent upor what was once our world," he added "I am stopping with the Vestrys, she told him. "Come and see me. will tell you all I can. Why not this

my written word." Surprise was in his eyes. wrote me, Edith?" a white satin slipper, pearl-embroidered. Finder returning same to oth-

seeing your writing once again."

"And you'll come?" she pressed, little anxiously. "Most gladly."

When she had gone, he stood, for a noment, gazing admiringly after her. How silly he had been to quarrel with her! What a world of regret it had Could they, by any possibility, be one cost him, in the last two years!

> "I inquired at the office for X Z." she announced. For the moment he had forgotten

slipper, regarded from an altogether hand laid lightly on his arm arrested different angle, was vividly before him. He knew, now, what had been suggested by its tiny, delicate beauhandsome, dark, and rather ing had thrilled him. Unreasoningly reeted him with smiling recognition. it had reminded him of her, of Edith La Fontaine, who, he believed, had Van Braun?" she took for granted. passed out of his life forever; who 'Don't you remember me? I really was living somewhere abroad; married, the rumor had reached him. He knew, now, too, why he had resented that voice on the telephone; it had ered himself, and he hastened to interrupt her, with: "Of course I re-

"They won't give the advertiser's "They say he is in Suite 713. Don't find Miss La Fontaine." you want to go up and return the

slipper?" "And be dragged into a customs investigation? I can't say that I crave tle while longer for Miss Cinderella The girl laughed at this, and the after all."

"Possibly she has seen the cable. me play her part? Give me the slipper and let me take it up. I'll make affair, why should you bother either Mr. X Y Z tell me his story-prove his

The young man looked at her sharply, again. No, that phrase could er times I doubted your right to ask, hardly be just a coincidence.

loosely wrapped slipper from his lowed perplexity; but the most dispocket, and placing it in her hand. turbing of all was the connection, so "And I'll go with you. Can't I ring alleged at least, of Edith with, not in as a fellow reporter, artist, or alone the secret custody of the famous something?"

She seemed delighted. Her dark-"Oh dandy!' she exclaimed

the seventh floor. A chaimbermaid directed them to the suite they sought. Before Miss Williams rapped lightly she secreted her small parcel in her chose to ignore its mention and con-"Have you seen X Y Z's advertisement in that paper?"

If a doubt remained, the question | If a doubt r

notel suite parlor. "In just one monment, miss," he said: and disappeared into a room be-

to see a rather florid, dissipated-lookping with interest. It was a cable ing young man, with bristling waxed know-in the briefest instant I had

"My this, and associated it with an effort old slippers. And I widened the boundaries of locality, in order that I might gle some exceptionally valuable dia- by a single question discover whether monds through the port of New the slipper was being returned by the

you just how the slipper came to be "Very true," she replied, giving lost. Then, if you know the circumhim back smile for smile; "but the stances under which it was found, we toe of a white satin slipper is, even shall both, I maintain, have established My sister and I had been attending a Van dance at Sherry's, where, unfortunate Braun's hand clutched the pocket in ly, she chanced to sprain her ankle. In question, and his manner, for the mo- our car she removed her slipper, and ment at least, appeared to reflect a handed it to me to hold. My hand, in which it rested lightly, lay loosely along the top of the lowered window, ued, "that you might have been the when a sudden jolt of the car—there must have been an awkward hole in the roadway-sent the slipper flying. frankness. "I was the finder; but I wished to return for it; but on acwhether fortunate or not I have yet count of her aching ankle, she would listen to no delay. I had, a whim nevertheless, to recover it; and hence the advertisement."

> her handbag. "Now, where did you find it?"

asked.

so obtained. He turned sufficiently to see her pass the slipper to the claim-

burly men rudely invaded the room. mustaches, and snatched the slipper

mured. neard every word." The ensuing conversation verified

his conjecture. "I'm sorry, sir," was the conclusion of the officer who was thrusting the ding gift from Aunt Jeanne to Sallie slipper into his pocket, "but I'll have Minturn; the Vaurigard red diamond. She didn't want Sallie to wait until

"But why?" ranted the accused. What is the charge? You surely don't accuse me of stealing-"You are accused of being a party

to an attempt to smuggle into the United States one of the most famous and valuable gems in all Europe-the Vaurigard red diamond, which is hidden in the heel of the slipper."

wering protest. "I give you my word Gramercy Van Braun, stepping for

at sight of him that the speaker hesi-

Miss Edith La Fontaine," he concluded "Surely," he added, "you & Co., and the First National bank, would not dare accuse her of such a lent financial assistance to the govthing.'

of you to arrest," he cried.

game." The accused offered no defense. He simply summoned his valet and restick be brought to him. Miss Williams, meanwhile, was making rapid notes on a roll of copy paper she had extracted from her handbag. The of-

When, a few minutes later, that genlow passenger. In spite of a seeming outward composure, he noted that she

story," she declared, "but there are a lot of details still to be cleared up name," the dark girl was going on. Maybe you can tell me where I may

an interest that was the reverse o friendly. "If I were you," he said, his accents measured, "I'd let well enough ed by anyone else, would have seemed that. Perhaps I had better wait a lit- alone. So long as I don't bother about certain details, why need you? ong as I don't ask why you called me up, early this morning, made an enand been frightened off. Why not let gagement to lunch with me and then chose to ignore that phase of the little

> Mr. Sielcken testified that there Edith La Fontaine was alone in the were 4,000,000 bags of coffee now be Vestry library when Van Braun came ing held out of market by the valor ization committee of seven, of which

market," said Mr. Sielcken. The big loan by which the valorization scheme was floated was 15,000, 000 pounds sterling. English, German, French and Belgian bankers took 13,000,000 of it through clear path to the re-establishment of

ply of coffee, he said.

would soon cease.

Miscellaneous Reading.

ACCOUNTS OF COL. GREEN.

Governor's Special Detective Submits Itemized Statement. Columbia Record

joy. But-how I did it I shall never Col. L. M. Green has had his account for services as special detective employed by the governor itemized and it snatched off my slipper and flung it has been honored by the comptroller at you. I saw it strike you, saw you general. The first account, handed to stand still in amaze, and then, though the comptroller general unitemized, I craned my neck near to breaking, was refused. The new account bases the expense accounts of the special detective on a different basis. Instead of awoke, nevertheless, in the lover's presenting a claim for the \$100 monthmind, a score of questions; not the ly salary the official presents claims least pressing of which was how it came that both "Billy the Duke" and for per diem expenses, these including Miss Williams could have learned of salary.

In a statement prepared by the the incident under these circumcomptroller general it is stated that the account is honored, but that the "You won't mind telling me who reasonableness of the charges is not the "sound judgment of the governor "In the car with me?" she repeator disbursing officer." The last account as filed by Mr.

Green shows additional services, rendered since the filing of the first acfact that you threw the slipper was count. The statement issued by Comptroller General Jones, showing the first and

last accounts as prepared by Colonel to Edith's wonderful violet eyes. She Green, is as follows: took a quick breath before she spoke. "Col. L. M. Green has filed the fol- ty court. owing itemized statement dated May

"Because I have seen them. Bespecial detective: cause first one and then the other 'State of Account, May 13th. "Columbia, S. C., May 13, 1912. At his words the last vestige of col-'State of South Carolina to L. M.

Green, Dr. " 'Statement of per diem account services rendered as special detective as

'March 18-23 inc .- Investigating Olar lynching, 6 days at \$10 per day\$ 60 00 'March 25-27 inc .- Investigating killing of Bryson at Mountville and with regard to negro lodges around Mountville, 3 days at \$10 per day.. 30 00 'March 28-29 inc .- Investigating lynching at Blacksburg, 2 days at \$10 per day 20 00 'April 3-5-Securing information as to enforcement laws at Anderson and as to Cheshire affair, 2 days at \$10 per

day 20 00 'April 8-12 inc .- Investigating enforcement of law in Hampton county and as to burning oat coming over. He was charming of newspaper office at Hampton and as to Fairfax, S. C., 5 days at \$10 per day 50 00 'April 15-20 inc.-Trip to Dorchester county, investigating whisky situation and law enforcement, 6 days at \$10 per he would be my big brother. I might

'April 22-23 inc .- Second trip into Dorchester county to make further investigations Van Braun interrupted her. "You as to liquor situation, 2 days at 10 per day 20 00 'May 6-10 inc.-Trip into how can you? It was a gift- a wed-Berkeley to see as to burning of property of Messrs. Thornley and Brittingham at

> Moncks Corner, 5 days at \$20 100 00 "Inasmuch as this account is so temized that it shows what particular work was being done on the days named by Col. Green, and the amount which the governor agreed to pay him, with his approval thereon, the comptroller general will issue his warrant

for the payment of the amount. "The contention of the comptroller general is that accounts must be so temized that the auditing officer and the public may know for what particucalled "Money Trust" given to the lar services the public funds are being day, was testimony that three New paid out. As to whether or not the contracts on which such services were rendered were or were not reasonable tional City bank, J. Pierpont Morgan is a matter which the comptroller gen eral cannot review, as it is left by the legislature to the discretion and sound ernment of Brazil to limit the output judgment of the governor or disbursing of coffee and mantain prices of coffee

at a profitable figure for the benefit "It will appear, however, that the ervices stated to have been rendered n the account filed May 13 must emorace services for which Col. Green tad previously claimed payment on an entirely different basis. For instance: grain coffee. Mr. Sielcken attributon April 15 he filed the following stateed to the National City bank a patriotic motive for its investment. Mr.

'State of South Carolina to L. M. Green, Special Detective, Dr.: 'To expenses, investigating Olar lynching, including trip to Charleston, Denmark and

Olar 30 'To expenses, investigating killing of Bryson at Mountville and looking into certain reports in reference to negro lodges around Mount-

ville 20 00 To expenses, investigating lynching at Blacksburg To expenses, investigating burning of newspaper office at Hampton, and looking into the general condition of the enforcement of the law as to the sale of whisky, etc., at Hampton and Fairfax 22 00 To expenses, Anderson, for securing information in reference to the enforcement of

mation in re Muldrow-Cheshire affair, and investigating the conduct and work of Detective Sanders 18 50 'To one month's service, as

the law and obtaining infor-

special detective from March 16th to April 15th, inclusive, 100 \$205 50

'State of South Carolina, county of

M. Green, who, upon being duly sworn, deposes and says that the within acount of \$105.50 and \$100.00 respectively, are correct and that the services were rendered under commission from the governor and that no part of said claim has been paid.

"'L. M. Green. "'Sworn to and subscribed before me this 15th day of April, 1912. "W. F. Blackburn,

"This statement was approved for omptroller general refused to issue that the dates on which the expenses again."

service was unauthorized by law. "These prior statements appear to be inconsistent with the final statement filed May 13, covering all these matters. But as the statement of May general has felt it his duty to issue his warrant on the state treasurer for tracts authorized by him."

roll County Outlaw.

this morning and delivered its verdict Sentence was deferred, as Allen may with the five murders in Carroll coun-

sparsely filled court room 'heard 13, account for services rendered as the end of the trial. Some thought dent policies, but the journal in sumthat fear of an outbreak, such as marked the adverse verdict at Hillville, might be seen today. It was impossible, however. Officers searched all who entered the room.

Will Try Others. mmediately. Claude, Friel and Vicwards, are under indictment for the murders, while Sidna Allen and Wesley Edwards, two other members of

the gang, are still at large. was called in and the foreman questioned by Judge Staples. The jurors declared there were a number of points of difference existing in the panel and it was doubtful whether a verdict could be reached. Judge Staples declared the case was one of such magnitude he felt he must send the jury back with a few words of caution and advice. He said, when a number of men were thrown together in intimate isolation for a long period of time, with all their thoughts and attentions entered upon one matter, it was but natural there should be tendency to different views and positions. Along with this tendency, he said, there was another tendency of the human mind to fix deep-rooted in one's own mind unwarranted opinion Judge Staples said the jury had not sworn to do other than to reach one

the accused. He said if the jurors lost sight of that issue in any private individual opinion, they would do wrong to themselves, an unintended violence to their solemn obligation and grave injustice either to the common wealth or the accused. The jury again retired and it was but a shor time before announcement was made that an agreement had been reached. When court reassembled, the foreman read the verdict of "guilty as charged in the indictment." Judge Staple held that was not the proper form The foreman then explained that the

Killing of Foster. Floyd Allen was charged specifically, at this time, with the murder of William

M. Foster, prosecutor in the Carroll trial of Floyd Allen culminated in the killing of five persons-Presiding Judge Thornton L. Massie; Prosecutor William M. Foster; Sheriff L. F. ugustus Fowler. On the first ballot taken by the jur-

ors the vote stood ten for murder in port. the first degree, and two for murder in the second degree.

prise, as it was thought the jury was men is known to have said previous to being summoned for jury duty that "you can't always get justice in fixes the value. courts and maybe the Allens were not far wrong," and the attorneys for the commonwealth had made arrangeperjury should he bring about a disagreement. This morning he agreed ficulty has been made on this score.

Change of Plan. commonwealth announced trial just completed.

Attorneys for the defendant an nounced after court adjourned that these losses is small. they would ask for a writ of error. The charge delivered by Judge Staples this morning, it was said, touched on points upon which the Virginia court of appeals had never passed. The prisoner's wife sat beside him. She was dressed in black and wore a large poke bonnet so that her face arrived at by the sale at auction of the

Allen seemed brighter today than mistrial, but he was the picture of de spair when the verdict was read.

The guards are fearful that Allen may repea' his attempt at suicide and one or more are always locked in

agent.

'The characters of some men only ayment by the governor, but the last till the whitewash wears off. ार ''If at first you don't succeed,"

NO. 41.

TITANIC CLAIMS QUICKLY MET. There Was But Little Red Tape About

Insurance Liability.

Although the sinking of the Titanic

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involved the largest total loss the marine underwriters have ever had to meet from a single disaster, at the close of the week practically all of the policies written had been met Proof of loss was obtainable as soon 13 is correct in form, the camptroller as the surviving officers reached New been merely a matter of routine. Agpayment of same, it having received gregate property loss is placed by the the approval of the governor, who is Spectator at \$9,420,000, and that insurresponsible to the people for the con- ance authority divides this total into \$8,000,000 for the vessel, \$420,000 for the cargo and \$1,000,000 for personal effects. Marine insurance totalling \$6,000,000 on the property is divided in \$5,000,000 on the vessel, \$400,000 on the cargo and \$600,000 on the personal effects. Life and accident insurance, which must be paid on the deaths of were drowned is more difficult to estimate because of the many inaccuracies in the names of the missing and the difficulty of identifying individual names with those on the various life

and accident companies. Lacking final returns, the Spectator be called as a witness in the trials of prints estimates of their losses receivhis kinsmen, who are also charged ed from 119 life insurance companies companies which aggregate \$2,124,001 on life policies and \$1,564,000 on acciance loss at \$4,000,0000 and the accident insurance loss at \$2,000,000

Nearly all the life and accident insurance companies in reporting refer to the difficulties of identifying the The other prisoners will be tried lost passengers with the names carried on their lists. In any large insurtor Allen, Byrd Marion and Sidna Ed- ance company there are many holders of policies whose names are identical. Further than that, in any long list of persons such as the roll of the missing mong the Titanic's passengers, similar names are bound to be found on the card indexes of the big life insurance companies and it becomes necessary to check the possible losses up by obtaining the addresses of the missing and other data by which they may be identified with the actual holders the policies.

None of the companies is making any difficulties about paying policies of those who are known to have sailed on the Titanic and who were not among those brought in by the Carpathia, but as the formalities involved in establishing identities are much osses the payment of the life and accident policies will be slower than has been the settlement of the marine losses.

The current number of the Spectator thus sums up the position of the

which reports have been received: "It will be some time before the life ompanies are able to total up the exact amount of their losses, because notices are still being received that they carried insurance on those who lost their lives. Losses to, individual comicrs to almost \$1,000, 00. This latter amount falls to the Travelers of Hartford, which will have the greatest loss

under life and accident policies." Procedure in the collection of marine policies is of the greatest simplic-When the surviving officers of the lost Titanic gathered at the Waldorf on Friday, April 19, four days after the wreck, for the first hearing of verdict was one of guilty in the first the senatorial investigating committee they signed the official protest, which is all the proof marine underwriters require. This paper set forth briefly the facts of the Titanic's sinking, with the total loss of the hull and cargo. Holders of marine insurance policies had thereafter merely to present cercourt at Hillville last March when the tifled copies of this "protest," along with their policies, proofs of the value of the goods covered, and of their presence aboard the vessel. For this purpose nothing more was necessary Webb; Miss Elizabeth Ayers and Juror than the same papers which are cusomarily presented at the custom house when a cargo safely reaches

These consist of the bill of lading for the shipment insured, a copy of The verdict came as a distinct sur- the ship's manifest identifying the presence among the cargo of the items hopelessly divided. One of the twelve in the bill of lading, and the foreign invoice certified by a United States consul at the port of shipment, which

In ordinary cases, the marine un derwriters insist on receiving certified copies of the "protest," but in the ments to arrest him on a charge of case of the Titanic, whose loss is a matter of common knowledge, no dif-The circumstances of the loss of the Titanic make the collection of claims, as in any case of total loss, a much simpler and a briefer process than is the case in the great bulk of payments on marine policies. Joseph H. Malloy, a leading authority on marine insurance, ventured the opinion yesterday that more individual claims on marine policies are paid because of out all the delay experienced in the dock or in transit for damage to goods than for actual losses at sea, though of course, the aggregate amount of

ter or fire, and the vessel finally reaches port or a position where salvage is possible, collection on policies is complicated by the necessity of arriving at an appraisal of damage. The final determination of such losses may be insured cargo, the percentage of loss in the policy being determined by the proportion the auction price may bear to the invoice value. Knowledge that this final test of loss may be resorted to is a large factor in smoothing the way to agreement as to losses between

The old rule of "a year and a day," which usually applied in the case of missing ships in the days of sail as determining that the vessel was actually lost, has given way in modern practice to the application of calculations to suit individual cases. Most of the policies on missing ships are paid all over the world following the decision of the Lloyds' committee in London that the ship is lost. In the case of coasters or ships under American register, the underwriters take into account the distance between places of usual length of the voyage.-Hartford

turn it to your poor little and woe fully distressed Cinderella."

"You will have to prove your property, you know," he told her, with a teaslike slipper, and to be quite exact, pro- young man's interest suddenly quicksaic mortal that I am, I may tell you ened. at once that it is neither crystal nor

you know anything about fairies at all? It was crystal when it left my foot; but it might have been any one of a hundred things when i' reached you. Fairies simply love to practice transmutation." ly convinced. "And can they change

"Your ideas were gleaned from the him, bent her lustrous dark eyes apstory books," she told him, with an ef- pealingly upon him, and, with lowered fort at gravity; "and the fairy story voice inquired: writers misrepresented the little pixy people terribly. There's really no lim- ment in that paper?"

dissipated it. "And who is X Y Z?" ted them to a conventionally furnished - "that we should both have arrived

"That's what I want to know," she

The young man examined the clipdispatch from London. And it told of a bootmaker there who had executed an odd commission for a mysterious customer. He had removed the heel from a small white satin slipper; of which he was cognizant to smug-

toms officer.'

"Probably we had better meet each coat pocket."

"I fancied," his companion contin-"And how shall I recognize you?" he fortunate finder." He turned to her with a fresh your hat, or-" But only a deafening buzzing answered him. He waited a

moment, hoping it would cease; and to learn." then he called: "Hello!" and repeated it. He repeated it again and again and gentleman of the initials?" again, and played a lively tattoo with

"I hope I am not detaining you,

iams as he strode away.

tell me you have been away?"

her held reproach, it was also rife with a tender sentimentality-"of small advertisement, under the "Lost

afternoon, for tea? I ask you now by lip, since you evidently didn't get tated. tween Sherry's and the Ritz-Carlton

> "Yes; to your club." "I haven't been there," he said, but I shall go, now, for the sake of

As he was about to turn, he found the young newspaper woman again at his elbow.

X Y Z. He had forgotten Miss Williams. And yet the incident of the ty; why the warmth of its soft lin-

been her voice that, unconsciously, he

property, so to speak."

"Very well," he said, drawing the bewilderments. Perplexity had fol-

Together they took the elevator to afternoon made, it seemed to him, a

Duke.'

back in New York on the same day. Never was there for me such a mo ment of intense delight, Gram, dear, as when I saw and recognized you, at two o'clock this morning, saunter stood looking out across the tree tops ing up the avenue. If I might only

you were again out of sight."

The revelation, eminently simple

was in the car with you, will you?"

"Then how did it happen that the

The hand that he held all at one

"How-how do you know that?

"But you didn't-tell me you didn't

"And why shouldn't I?" he ques-

tioned. "There was no way I could

The young woman sank beside hin

in infinite despair. "And I depended

on you," she murmured, hopelessly.

"They were following in a taxicab.

had no idea they would see. It is

clear now why they gave up the

chase. And I felt all along that your

presence there at the moment was

His interest, already alert, still fur

"You know of them? Both of

"Oh, yes, yes. I met him on the

to me. We all liked him immensely.

was hidden in the heel of my slipper.

After that he rarely left me. He said

ed him when it came to getting by

were trying to evade paying duty?"

she got to France to see it, although

she is going over right after the wed-

ding, and is to make her home there.

So I volunteered at the last minute to

bring it over just for Sallie to look at.

BRAZIL'S VALORIZATION PLAN.

Interesting Facts.

Washington, May 16 .- The first

This testimony came from Herma

fairs, and as for his own participa-

tion, challenged the attorney genera

neys of the country to discover any il-

legality in his actions as a coffee mer

The witness said that unless some

"Which would have the the worse

revolution in Sao Paulo, or for the

consumers of this country to pay

much more for all their coffee?" said

Samuel Untermeyer, counsel for the

"You would have had to pay tha

anyhow," said Mr. Sielcken. He ar-

gued that coffee would be still higher

if the valorization had not been put

Mr. Untermeyer read from tables t

show the production of coffee for sup-

plies amounted to about six million

bags and that it sold at from 6 1-2 to

cents a pound. Now the production

was 14,000,000 bags and the price was

between 13 and 14 cents a pound.

This was accomplished by withhold-

ing from the market the surplus sup-

committee.

Sielcken, of the New York firm

investigating committee to-

"No. no. Don't you sen? And yet

knowing about such-

know it was yours. A girl claimed it

over the telephone, the moment

he asked, promptly.

give it up!"

reached my rooms.

providential."

them?

ther quickened.

Van Braun walked to a window, and of Central Park. When he turned, it arrest your attention, I thought. was at the sound of a man's voice, and could not cry out. I was dumb with mustaches, bowing in the exaggerated foreign manner to the newspaper wo-

advertisement," Van Braun heard him say, "was intentionally a

actual finder, or a second hand." "But you, sir?" Miss Williams returned. "How am I to be sure that

The florid man smiled. "I will tell ed, in evident surprise. known to at least two persons?" grew tense. A startled look came inshe almost gasped. claimed the slipper." or fled her face. She leaned toward him, tremblingly.

He paused and the newspaper woman began fumbling with the catch of

"I saw it fly from the window o your car," she answered. "You had not yet crossed Forty-second street." Van Braun, listened, realizing the leverness of the deduction. And yet e questioned whether the answer was

"You recognize it?" she asked. He was turning it about in his hands; gloatingly, it seemed to the watcher; when abruptly, the door from the passage was swung wide, and two Without a word of explanation or It was terribly indiscreet. I see i apology and before anyone of the ocnow, but he seemed to read my anxcupants was able even to conjecture iety, and I confessed I had it-that i their object, the leader had flung himself upon the young man of the waxed

"Customs officers!" Van Braun murthe customs men, who had a way of "And they have probably

to ask you to go along down town with

"But, my dear man," was the an- Money Trust Investigation Develops

lustration of the activities of the poward, joined the group. And it was "That slipper belongs to my sister, York banking institutions-the Na-

With fist clenched, Van Braun gav emphasis to his first words. "One more cowardly lie like of Brazilian planters and American from you, and there'll be nothing left and European coffee dealers. Fontaine's brother! She has but one; and he and I have been friends from Crossman & Sielcken, large dealers in

boyhood." He turned to the customs men. "You'll find this person's portrait and record at police headquarters. Those who know him best, I be- Sielcken questioned the propriety of lieve, call him 'Billy, the Duke.' He's the committee going into Brazil's afa confidence man, grafter, and crook in general. Three years ago he was working the transatlantic liners, and of the United States and all the attorhe seems still engaged in the old

chant. quested that his hat, coat and walking thing had been done to help the planters of Brazil, there might have been a revolution. The price of coffee had grown so low through over-production that the Brazilian government ficers were thanking Van Braun. exercises the right to encourage planters to diversify their crops.

was very pale. "It's turned out a cracking good

The young man regarded her with Miss La Fontaine or myself further?"

he is a member. "Would not the price of coffee go down if this were put on the market?" asked Representative Byrnes. "No, it would have no effect on the Vaurigard red diamond, but so infamous a character as "Billy the The cordiality of her greeting this

their old relations. If there was any 47 If wishes were wings good works thing left to forgive by either, each

'Personally appeared before me I

"N. P. S. C."

was then returned to Col. Green, who undertook to correct same by insertng from memory, the dates when these expenses were incurred. When these dates were inserted, payment was still refused for the reason that the salary claimed for one month's

FLOYD ALLEN IS GUILTY.

Jury Agrees In Condemning the Car

Wytheville, Va., May 17.-Floyd Al questioned, this being entirely up to len's jury today found him guilty of the insured among 1,635 persons who murder in the first degree. Death in the electric chair is the penalty. After a night of deliberation which at one time threatened a disagreement, the jury filed into court

When court opened today, the jury

degree, the penalty being electrocu-

to a verdict change of the plan of trying Claude and Victor Allen jointly and that they would next take up the case of Claude on the indictment charging him with the murder of Judge Massie. The trial will begin Monday and a venire of ten men has been summoned from which it is hoped to get a jury with- the pilfering from consignments on

could not be seen. on yesterday, evidently expecting a

Defiance of Law. In his cell tonight, surrounded guards. Allen broke out into a tirade insured and underwriters. of defiance of the law. "I am not going to the electric chair," he shout-"I've still got some friends in

the cell with him. A gulty conscience needs no press

his warrant in payment for the reason says the stock broker, "buy, buy departure and destination and the were incurred were not stated on the 2 Never size a man from his ac-Times.

its' Short prayers often last longest.