The House of Whispers

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the papers about Mr. Gaston retiring

"What was it he said?" I asked eagerly, wondering if some old feud between the two men might not give us a clue to unravel the web of mys-

"As nearly as I can recall his words were, 'I see that old pirate Gaston has retired with his ill-gotten gains."

"To whom was he talking?" "I don't remember that, probably some man who was visiting at the house. Dad always used to have a

lot of men about." "Did he say anything else?" "That's all I remember, but I don't

think the Gastons could have anything to do with it. This threatening my sister is more the sort of thing a discharged servant would do.'

"Yes," I admitted, "but find the discharged servant. Yours have been with you for years."

"Oh, what are we going to do?" she cried in desperation. "If I don't get those papers back, we'll all be ruined. They'll give them to my sister's fiance. Her engagement will be broken. My mother will die of disgrace and

"Don't be discouraged," I cried, trying to inspire in her a confidence I was far from feeling myself. "This is only Sunday, We have until Wednesday evening. I'll find some way of trapping those rascals and making them surrender those papers. Leave it to

In spite of my reassuring words, distress was still written on her countenance. As I debated how best to comwatch and exclaimed: "I must be going. They'll be alarm-

ed about me if I stay longer." When am I to see you again?"

"I don't know. That's hard to arrange. My sister and I are so much

"Can't I telephone you?"

"No, that wouldn't do at all. Mothr and Claire would both want to know all about it and besides—"

"I don't trust that girl at the switchboard. I think she listens to everything that is said."

"They are a prying lot," I admitted, "including Mr. Wick, the superintend-

"I don't like him a bit."

"Besides what?"

"Nor I, but we must communicate with each other somehow. If you find out anything more you must let me know at once. If I learn anything, I'll let you know, and I'm going to discover a lot."

"There's always our windows," she suggested, "they are close together. I can signal you when I'm alone, and Hendersonville, N. C., in school.

"I'll be there in my room every evening from ten o'clock on," I said,

handkerchief on the sill when I'm ifested in the home dairy industry,

"And I'll do the same."

Having reached this understanding, I walked with her to the park entrance within sight of the house. All the way we had been talking over the puzzling circumstances of the anonymous notes and of the strange way in which Bradford had spoken again of the whispers she had heard.

"The voices were vague-just like a ghost's might be," she said.

"Yes," I admitted, "that's what they sounded like. But there aren't any ghosts. If those whispers were real, some human being was making them. I'm going to find out who it was, and Margaret Waldren and Lillie Mae Cox learned a lot about-"

I hesitated.

"About whom?" she questioned. "I don't know yet," I answered.

I was wondering about my great uncle Rufus.

(To be continued.)

LANFORD NEWS.

Lanford, May 3,-The sick of our community have all about recovered and are able to enjoy the fresh balmy spring May day.

and family, united with us in church tablished by Boston Americans at fellowship Sunday morning; also Mrs. Philadelphia September 1, 1916 when fort her, she glanced at her wrist S. M. Brummond. We gladly welcome Jacob Combs of Philadelphia defeatthese new members in our midst,

Rev. Sexton and family were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edd Tay- Joe Oeschger and Leon Cadore, with

here last week. Mrs. W. W. Fowler tired in order. Oeschger has allowaccompanied them on their return ed only two carned runs in 55 innings home and will spend several days with this season. them and other relatives and friends

n her old home at Troy. Mr. and Mrs. Harper Higgins, of Buffalo, and Miss Virginia Drummond, of Woodruff, spent the week-end with Pick's grounder, tagged Powell on the ter untarnished, and a reputation above and a copy given the county papers for Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Higgins.

Mr. J. E. Johnson and family, of Gray Court, were welcome visitors in our midst for a short while Sunday afternoon.

Mr. Charles Waldrep, from Wofford College, spent the week-end with his

Miss Pauline Waldren has returned home after spending some time in

Mrs. C. L. Waldrep attended the waiting to hear from you. I'll put a a good time and lots of interest man-

> Mrs. J. B. Cooley is in Spartanburg visiting relatives.

Mr. J. B. Williams sustained a heavy loss by fire of several bales of cotton. Some of the small children struck a they had been found on the floor. Miss near-by neighbors succeeded in extin- ger, a fielder's choice and Olson's aged or singed. We sympathize in Boeckel was thrown out at the their misfortune.

> Mr. and Mrs. T. L. Harney and fam-Julia Harney,

> The school at Central had a very enening realizing a neat little sum for the improvement of school building.

> 26 INNINGS PLAYED BREAKS RECORD

> Boston and Brooklyn Battled Even Longer than Famous Game of Sept. 1, 1916, of Coombs Fame.

Boston, Mass., May 1.-Boston and Brooklyn battled 26 innings to a one to one tie today, breaking the former Our new pastor, Rev. G. M. Sexton, major league record of 24 innings esed Joe Harris 4 to 1.

It was a pitching contest between honors in favor of the Boston pitcher. Mrs. Sallie Doughton and Mrs. W. L. He allowed only nine hits and in 16 Burnside, of Troy, visited relatives innings the Brooklyn batters were re-

The fielding on both sides was bril- esteemed Sovereign, Joe M. Gossett, liant in the crisis. Olson saved who has for many years occupied a Brooklyn in the ninth, when with the prominent rank in our midst, mantainbases filled and one out he stopped ing under all circumstances a charac- minute book dedicated to his memory, baseline and threw out the batter.

In the seventeenth inning one of the most remarkable double plays ev- ereign Joe M. Gossett, Fairview Camp, er seen in Boston retired Brooklyn, No. 422 W. O. W., has sustained the

The bases were filled and one was out when Elliott grounded to Oesch- in which he lived a good citizen, whose ger. Wheat was forced at the plate, fellowship it was an honor and a pleasbut Gowdy's throw to Holke was low ure to enjoy; that we bear willing tesand was fumbled. Konetchy tried to timony to his many virtues, to his unscore from second and Gowdy re- questioned probity and stainless life; ceived Holke's throw to one side and that we offer to his bereaved family threw himself blindly across the plate and mourning friends, over whom sorbutter contest at Laurens and reports to meet Konetchy's spikes with bare row has hung her sable mantle, our

reach third, in the fifth when Krueger lief to their burdened hearts and inreach third, in the fifth when Krueger lief to their burdened hearts and in-scored and also in the 17th. Cadore spire them with the consolations that Store and Kennedy Bros. was hit hard but pitched superbly in many pinches. Boston threatened to score repeatedly but Cadore's mates match near the cotton and the cotton came to his rescue, Brooklyn scored was soon in a blaze. The help of in the fifth inning on a pass to Krueguishing the fire before it was all single. Boston scored in the sixth on burned. About eight bales were dam- Cruse's triple and Boeckel's single. plate trying to score from first on Maranville's double to right center, ily of Union spent Sunday with the lat- Hood making a remarkable stop. Cater's father, Mr. H. M. Johnson, Misses dore's interception of the throw and quick peg to Krueger just nipped when we've learned that, we'll have returned home with them to spend Beckel and made it possible to play several days with their little cousin, the record breaking game, which also equals the mark of twenty scoreless innings made by Pittsburgh and Bosiovable ice cream supper Saturday ev- ton September 1, 1918, when Pittsburgh won 2 to 0 in the 21st inning.

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Resolution of Sympathy.

Whereas, it has pleased the Almighty to remove from our midst, by death, our reproach. Therefore,

Resolved, That in the death of Sovloss of a good member, the community heartfelt sympathy, and pray that In-Only twice did a Brooklyn runner finite Goodness may bring speedy re-

Hope in futurity and faith in God give even in the Shadow of the Tomb.

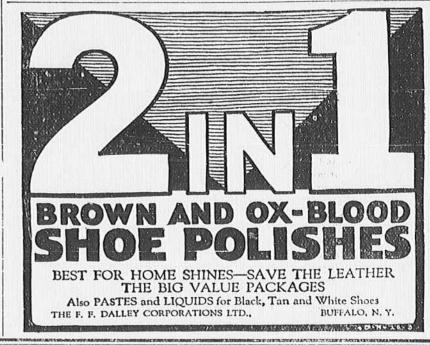
Be it further resolved, That a copy of these resolutions, properly engrossed, be presented to the family of our deceased Sovereign, a page in our publication.

L. E. BISHOP, W. W. GRIFFIN,

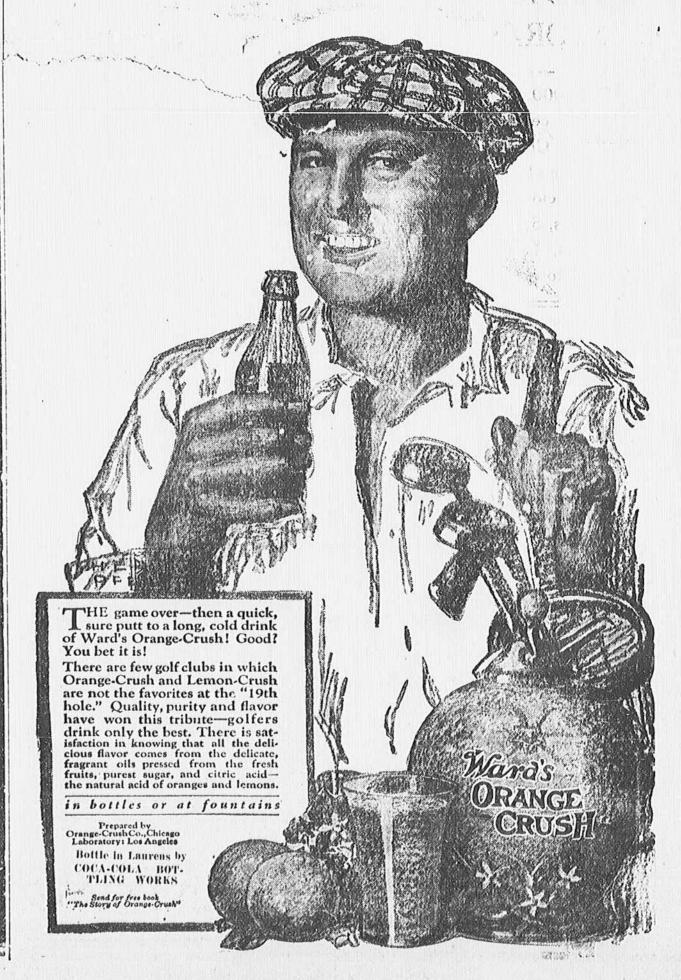
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