

PREBLE COUNTY HAS NEW GRANGE WITH MEMBERSHIP OF 65

EATON, O., May 5.—West Elkton, Preble county, has a grange that has just been organized by Harry N. Bragg, deputy grange master for Preble county. The organization will be a unit of Preble County Pomona grange. The new grange unit starts with a charter membership of 65. Deputy Bragg expects to organize a junior grange at West Elkton at an early date.

County Bankers Meet.
Members of the Preble County Bankers' association will be entertained at a business session and luncheon May 12 in Lewisburg. Officials of the bank in Lewisburg will be host for the gathering.

Freezing Damages Closer.
Winter freezing did greater damage to growing clover in Preble county than did root borers and root weevil, according to T. H. Parks, entomologist State university agricultural department, who recently inspected a number of clover fields in the county. In company with County Agent E. B. Turner.

Hessian fly has done no particular damage to wheat in the county, stated the entomologist. Late apples were not much hurt by the recent freeze, he said.

New Phone Manager.
A. E. Eskew, of Gilead, O., has been employed as manager of the Eaton Telephone company, to succeed Everett Wyson, resigned, who, with his family, goes in June to California to locate.

Mr. Eskew comes to the local company from the management of the Morrow County Telephone company.

Glove Factory Closes.
Owing to unfavorable market conditions, the Eaton plant of the Indianapolis Glove company has shut down for an indefinite period, according to W. E. Highland, manager of the local plant.

The local plant is the largest employer of female labor in Eaton.

Duroc Breeders to Meet.

Members of the Preble County Duroc association will meet here next Monday night in the courthouse for the purpose of discussing plans for boys' and girls' club work in the county. The association is taking an active part in furthering the work, especially the pig clubs.

Jefferson Sues Black.
Claiming a note for \$487 is due and unpaid, Ed B. Jefferson has instituted suit in common pleas court against S. S. Black and Ruth Black to recover the amount.

Commencement June 1.
Annual commencement exercises of the Eaton high school will be held the evening of June 1, according to present arrangement.

Prof. Child Harold Freeman, English department, Ohio university, Ada, and a member of the Ohio legislature, will address the graduating class.

Lunsford Pleads Guilty.
Upon arraignment in common pleas court Wednesday, Raymond Lunsford of Camden, entered a plea of guilty to an indictment charging assault and Judge A. C. Risinger imposed a fine of \$100 costs and six months in the Dayton workhouse. The fine and imprisonment were suspended.

Belgium has existed as a kingdom only since 1830.

The Adventure of the Golden Pince-Nez

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PART FOUR.

Holmes was pacing up and down one side of the room whilst the old Professor was talking. I observed that he was smoking with extraordinary rapidity. It was evident that he shared our host's liking for the fresh Alexandrian cigarettes.

"Yes, sir, it is a crushing blow," said the old man. "That is my magnanimous opus—the pile of papers on the side table yonder. It is my analysis of the documents found in the Coptic monasteries of Syria and Egypt, a work which will cut deep at the very foundation of revealed religion. With my enfeebled health I do not know whether I shall ever be able to complete it, now that my assistant has been taken from me. Dear me! Mr. Holmes, why, you are even a quicker smoker than I am myself."

Holmes smiled. "I am a connoisseur," said he, taking another cigarette from the box—his fourth—and lighting it from the stub of that which he had finished. "I will not trouble you with any lengthy cross-examination, Professor Coram, since I gather that you were in bed at the time of the crime, and could know nothing about it. I would only ask this: What do you imagine that this poor fellow meant by his last words 'The Professor—it was she.'?"

The Professor shook his head. "Susan is a country girl," said he, "and you know the incredible stupidity of that class. I fancy the poor fellow murmured some incoherent, delirious words, and that she twisted them into this meaningless message."

"I see. You have no explanation yourself of the tragedy?"

"Possible an accident, possibly—I only breathe it among ourselves—a suicide. Young men have their hidden troubles—some affair of the heart, perhaps, which we have never known. It is a more probable supposition than murder."

"But the eye-glasses?"

"Ah! I am only a student—a man of dreams. I cannot explain the practical things of life. But still, we are aware, my friend, that love-gazes may take strange shapes. By all means take another cigarette. It is a pleasure to see anyone appreciate them so. A fan, a glove, glasses—who knows what articles may be carried as a token or treasured when a man puts an end to his life? This gentleman speaks of footsteps in the grass, but, after all, it is easy to be mistaken on such a point. As to the knife, it might well be thrown far from the unfortunate man as he fell. It is possible that I speak as a child, but to me it seems that Willoughby Smith has met his fate by his own hand."

Holmes seemed struck by the theory put forward, and he continued to walk up and down for some time, lost in thought and consuming cigarette after cigarette.

"Tell me, Professor Coram," he said, at last, "what is in the cupboard in the bureau?"

"Nothing that would help a thief. Family papers, letters from my poor wife, diplomas of universities which have done me honor. Here is the key. You can look for yourself."

Holmes picked up the key, and looked for an instant, then he handed it back.

"No, I hardly think that it would

help me," said he. "I should prefer to go quietly down to your garden, and turn the whole matter over in my head. There is something to be said for the theory of suicide which you have put forward. We must apologize for having intruded upon you, Professor Coram, and I promise that we won't disturb you until after lunch. At two o'clock we will come again, and report to you anything which may have happened in the interval."

Holmes was curiously distrustful, and we walked up and down the garden path for some time in silence.

"Have you a clue?" I asked, at last. "It depends upon those cigarettes that I smoked," said he. "It is possible that I am utterly mistaken. The cigarettes will show me."

"My dear Holmes," I exclaimed, "how on earth—"

"Well, well, you may see for yourself. If not, there's no harm done. Of course, we always have the optician's clue to fall back upon, but I take a short cut when I can get it. Ah, here is the good Mrs. Marker! Let us enjoy five minutes of instructive conversation with her."

I may have remarked before that Holmes had, when he liked, a peculiarly ingratiating way with women, and that he very readily established terms of confidence with them. In half the time which he had named, he had captured the housekeeper's goodwill, and was chatting with her as if he had known her for years.

"Yes, Mr. Holmes, it is as you say, sir. He does smoke something terrible. All day and sometimes all night, sir. I've seen that room of a morning—well, sir, you'd have thought it was a London fog. Poor young Mr. Smith, he was a smoker also, but not as bad as the Professor. His health—well, I don't know that it's better nor worse for the smoking."

"Ah!" said Holmes, "but it kills the appetite."

"Well, I don't know about that, sir. I suppose the Professor eats hardly anything?"

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"Well, he is variable. I'll say that for him."

"I'll wager he took no breakfast this morning, and won't face his lunch after all the cigarettes I saw him consume."

"Well, you're out there, sir, as it happens, for he ate a remarkable big breakfast this morning. I don't know when I've known him make a better one, and he's ordered a good dish of cutlets for his lunch. I'm surprised myself, for since I came into that room yesterday and saw young Mr. Smith bring there on the floor, I couldn't bear to look at food. Well, it takes all sorts to make a world, and the Professor hasn't let it take his appetite away."

We loitered the morning away in the garden. Stanley Hopkins had gone down to the village to look into some rumors of a strange woman who had been seen by some children on the Chatham road the previous morning. As to my friend, all his usual energy seemed to have deserted him. I had never known him handle a case in such half-hearted fashion. Even the news brought back by Hopkins that he had found the children, and that they had undoubtedly seen a woman exactly corresponding with Holmes' description, and wearing either spectacles or eye-glasses, failed to rouse any sign of keen interest. He was more attentive when Susan, who waited upon his lunch, volunteered the information that she believed Mr. Smith had been out for a

walk yesterday morning, and that he had only returned half an hour before the tragedy occurred. I could not myself see the bearing of this incident, but I clearly perceived that Holmes was weaving it into the general scheme which he had formed in his brain. Suddenly he sprang from his chair and glanced at his watch. "Two o'clock, gentlemen," said he. "We must go up and have it out with our friend, the Professor."

The old man had just finished his lunch and certainly his empty dish bore evidence to the good appetite with which his housekeeper had credited him. He was, indeed, a weird figure as he turned his white mane and his glowing eyes toward us. The eternal cigarette smoldered in his mouth. He had been dressed, and was seated in an armchair by the fire.

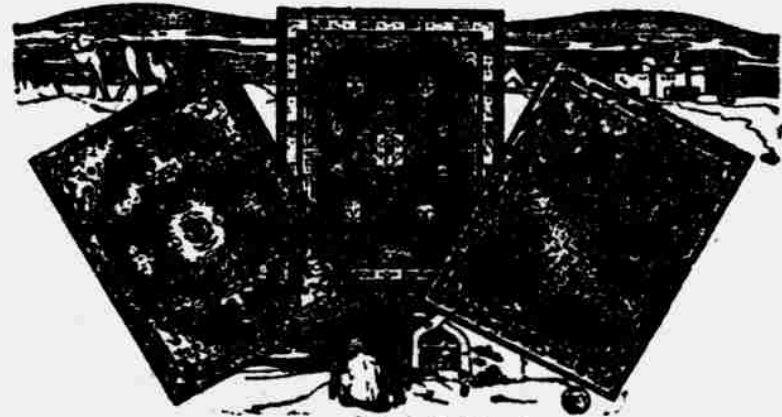
"Well, Mr. Holmes, have you solved this mystery yet?" He shoved the large tin of cigarettes which stood on a table beside him towards my companion. Holmes stretched out his hand at the same moment and be-

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ween them they tipped the box over the edge. For a minute or two we were all on our knees retrieving stray cigarettes from impossible places. When we rose again, I observed Holmes' eyes shining and his cheeks tinged with color. Only at a crisis have I seen those battle-signals flying.

Tomorrow—The adventures of the Golden Pince-Nez, continued.

years at the Michigan City penitentiary by Judge Tague, on a statutory charge recently. Three other charges are pending against the man.

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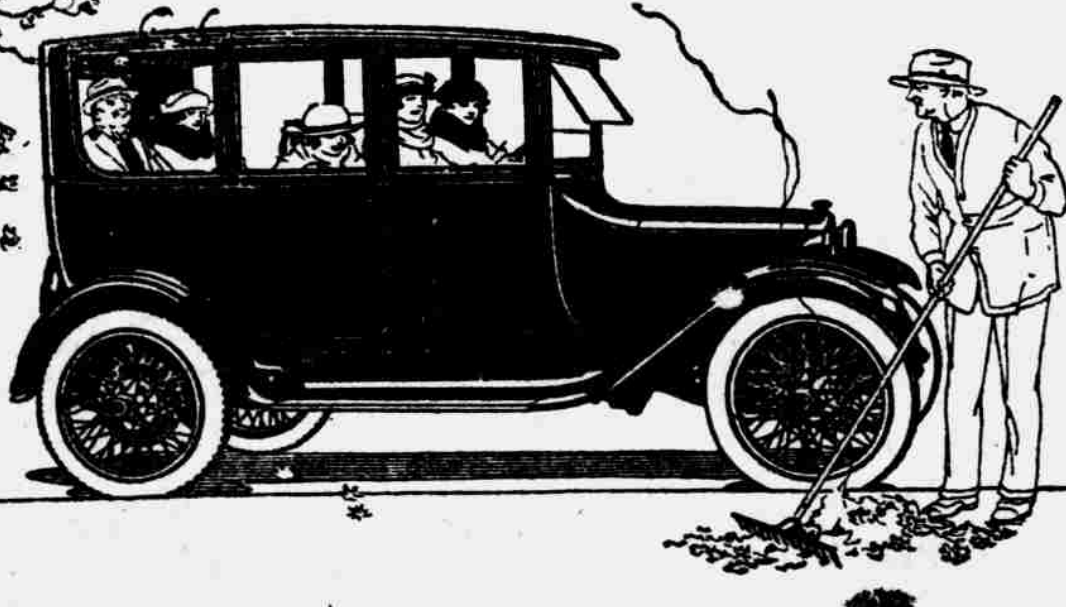
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