

# THE YELLOW SEVEN THE BOX TRICK

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BEGIN HERE TODAY

Capt. John Hewitt, Commissioner of Police at Jessleton, British North Borneo, is worried because jewels are stolen from Lady Stornaway while she is a guest at his home. Chai-Hung, influential Chinese, promises to assist in the recovery of the jewels. Peter Pennington, detective, is hired by the government to capture the leader of The Yellow Seven, a gang of Chinese bandits. Monica Viney, sister of Capt. Hewitt, persuades Officer Dawson to take her to a Chinese gambling den. She could have sworn the Chinaman who manipulated the inverted shells was none other than the man in whom her brother had declared absolute confidence—Chai-Hung.

But, clearly as the swiftly-moving events of that momentous evening were imprinted on her memory, she was destined to witness a somewhat puzzling "curtain" to her singularly poignant drama, a climax that for some moments, at least, forced her to believe she had been the victim of an optical illusion. For, as she turned to murmur her thanks to the inimitable Dawson, her glance wandered from the flight of white steps to a long cane chair at the far end of the commissioner's verandah.

Clothed in a suit of immaculate "whites," breathing with the placid regularity of a healthy child, Chinese Pennington slumbered peacefully! Monica was leaning on the wooden rail, gazing beyond the sun-scorched slopes to where—at the farthest extremity of the white jetty, the black funnel of the Darvel emitted a faint, hesitant line of smoke.

Hewitt—in his shirt sleeves, his topes set at a jaunty angle, was interviewing a native orderly in the garden. Hovering in the foreground, coolly inciting a juvenile fox-terrier to burrow in a bed for a legendary rat, Peter Pennington smoked and waited. He approached the commissioner the instant the interview was at an end. "Just been down to the boat," he explained. "She pushes off at eleven." Hewitt glanced at his watch. "There's a good half-hour to go yet." "Quite a lot can happen in half-an-hour," returned Pennington. "Still searching everybody?"

The commissioner granted. "If you want my opinion," he said "That confounded pendant's not on the island."

"I'm afraid I don't agree with you. It probably won't be here much longer." He flicked the ash from his cigarette. "Seen Chai-Hung?"

"No, but he sent up a chit by a coolie, asking permission to go on board and interview the supercargo about some rice he's expecting."

At that moment, Monica, trembling with suppressed excitement, caught sight of a red umbrella passing placidly along the roadway at the foot of the slope.

"Jack!" she called out suddenly, "go down with Mrs. Pennington. You can't afford to stand on ceremony."

"I'm up to my neck in work," growled Hewitt, protestingly. "It's something to have work—to be up to your neck in it!" declared his sister, joining them.

She waved her hand to them until they were out of sight, but only Pennington responded.

Within twenty yards of the gangway they overtook Chai-Hung. "Morning," said Pennington cheerfully.

The Oriental stopped dead. "Good morning, gentlemen." He looked at Hewitt. "I have to thank you for your extreme courtesy," he told him smoothly. "On occasions like these there are certain formalities which—necessary though they may seem to be—are distinctly annoying."

The commissioner flushed. "I regret to inform you, Mr. Chai-Hung, that circumstances have arisen which necessitate enforcing the temporary measure even in your case."

The Chinaman started. "Do I understand, Captain Hewitt, that you propose searching me?" "I'm afraid so."

Chai-Hung's lips parted, but his broad features betrayed not the least sign of emotion. For a second his gaze traveled to Pennington, who returned it with equanimity.

"I'm afraid you will both be disappointed."

"On the contrary," returned Pennington with studied politeness. "I feel sure that both the commissioner and myself would be infinitely mortified should it transpire that Lady Stornaway's diamonds have come into your possession."

with which the Oriental greeted them drove the intended apology from Hewitt's lips.

"Efficiency, Mr. Pennington," he said, "is the keynote of success. I sincerely hope that before we meet again you will have been successful in your search."

With disarming cordiality, he dropped a hand on the shoulder of each and accompanied them to the gangway.

Hewitt was on the point of crossing to the jetty when Chai-Hung laughed. "You will never cure yourself of that little failing, I'm afraid," he asserted blandly. "Do you mind returning me my matches?"

The commissioner dropped his cane. "You don't mean to say—? By gad! I have thought!" He produced the missing box.

The Oriental, still smiling, reached out for it, but before his fingers could close on it, Pennington's had intervened.

"Just a minute," he murmured apologetically, a queer light in his eyes. "Mine happens to be out, too!"

He turned his back and withdrawing the filmy cover, deliberately emptied the legitimate contents into his palm. He let the matches fall, one by one, to the deck, and Hewitt, obsessed with a hazy notion that his friend's recent energies had turned his brain, stepped close up to him and peered apprehensively over his shoulder.

Yielding to the pressure of Pennington's finger-nail, the false bottom of the box came away, and there, in the cunningly contrived recess it has so effectively screened, lay a dream of platinum and diamonds—the myriad facets flashing in the tropic sunlight!

The commissioner recoiled in speechless amazement. Presently he found his tongue.

"How on earth—? He must have guessed—!" He choked suddenly and passed a weary hand across his forehead. "He had the damned effrontery to give 'em to me!" He swung round savagely. "Here, Mr. Chai-Hung—!"

But the great Chai-Hung was gone! (To be continued.)

## Grenfell Tells How Labrador Missions Rose

### Poverty Viewed From Deck Schooner Led Him to Start Long Service There

### Natural Riches Abound

### Bremen Landing Centers Attention on the Country

(The fact that the German flying ship Bremen made a forced landing on Greenly Island, which is close to the little nursing station of the International Grenfell Association in Torseau Bay, has momentarily focused the attention of the world upon Labrador and awakened interest in that section of the sub-Arctic and its people. Sir Wilfred Grenfell in the following article tells of the work of the organization which he founded to care for the inhabitants of that section.)

BY SIR WILFRED GRENFELL  
Founder and Supt. Labrador Medical Mission.

The hospitals, nursing stations, schools, orphanages, industrial work and other activities which the International Grenfell Association has started in centres about one hundred miles apart, over one thousand miles of the Labrador and northern Newfoundland coasts, were primarily my own reaction to my having seen from the deck of a schooner on which I had sailed across the Atlantic the poverty and ignorance and semi-civilization among English speaking people of our own race which I felt we could relieve. It has always seemed to me that in these chivalrous days any one with a heart would jump at such an opportunity. I had the good fortune to be a master mariner in command of my own boat, as well as a young surgeon; and I found friends enough, who took my view of the value of life, to help me to run a small hospital steamer during the months of open water along the coast.

As the work grew and new activities developed, we found in the universities and schools of America, many young men and women volunteers who were glad to come down and help us try to meet these challenges.

INTERNATIONAL COMMITTEE FORMED.

The ever increasing budget, however, forced me to seek help for the actual material with which to carry on the work. The war made things very difficult, and although we struggled through, it became imperative to start a small foundation, placing the management of the work in the hands of an international committee, composed of directors from the United States, Canada and England, with its head office located in New York.

Contrary to what is generally believed the country possesses vast assets for the use of the human race and a small, sturdy and increasing population of Anglo-Saxons, who for the last 100 years, have been steadily displacing the Eskimos and Indians. The natural resources of Labrador are its fish, its fur-bearing animals and its timber. As soon as it became known that it had also vast water power, more than probable great mineral resources, and that its many rivers in its beautiful fords were well stocked with salmon offering a new summer field for sports, Canada and Newfoundland considered it worth while going to law in order to determine the question of its ownership. As a result practically the whole of it was granted to Newfoundland by the decision of the Privy Council in March, 1927. Already many prospectors have gone into the country and are seeking concessions, and the dawn of the future in which we had always believed seems to have broken.

WORKERS LOYAL TO POSTS.

The landing of the Bremen close to Torseau Nursing Station has shown the world another reason why these isolated centres of helplessness justify the comparatively small outlay which they involve. None of our workers would admit any sacrifice on their part in living in the country, for what it has to offer them more than satisfies them, a fact which is testified to by their returning again and again, ever bringing with them new suggestions and new means to develop their chosen centres.

The introduction of short-wave wireless at our hospitals has given another way to make practical those efforts which make life more worth while. On many occasions the value of these stations to the world outside has been shown by such unexpected occurrences as this very forced landing of the Bremen on Greenly Island, the wreck of the first class battleship Raleigh on Point Amour, or when exploring expeditions

Rubber and the Speculator  
Glasgow Herald (Conn.)—For some years past the whole question of rubber restriction has been viewed too much from the standpoint of the shareholder in rubber companies. Rubber is not, or should not be, regarded as a speculative medium for turning a penny; it is an important part of the whole scheme of British trade, industry which is now an integral unit and as such its re-establishment on a sound basis must take precedence of the interests of the Stock Exchange speculator.

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## Homeick Family in South Africa Wilds Find Radio a Consolation

How a homesick American family in the interior of South Africa turned with success to radio to bring them in touch with their own country is related by Arthur J. Orner, a pioneer industrial missionary.

Mr. Orner, who has returned from Rhodesia to live again in the United States, tells of sitting up through the wee hours of the morning hoping to catch short-wave broadcasts from KDKA and WGY.

He says that his work as a teacher of manual training in the Mount Silinda School, Southern Rhodesia, would not permit him to keep such late hours regularly. But when he and his family grew homesick they waited until 2 or 3 a. m. to tune in on the early evening broadcasts of WGY or KDKA.

Their most remarkable experience, Mr. Orner says, was on January 1, 1927, when at 7 a. m. they heard New York's crowds welcoming the new year. Since daylight reception is no better in Rhodesia than elsewhere, the Orners were surprised by the clarity of the signals.

The radio set, a gift from American friends, could pick up only the regular broadcasts of three South African stations, the nearest 500 miles away, when they were received. But a young African amateur, a member of the Junior Radio League, rebuilt the set for short wave reception.

## Too Many Admirals

Lieut.-Commander Kenworthy in the London Referee (Conn.): The post-war navy has too many Admirals for the size of the seagoing fleet. Take the Mediterranean squadron. It consists of seven battleships and two small squadrons of cruisers. Flying their flags on the station are the Commander-in-Chief, who has an Admiral as his Chief of Staff. There is a Vice-Admiral, a Rear-Admiral, two Admirals for the cruisers, an Admiral of the destroyers, an Admiral on shore in the dockyard at Malta, and another in charge of the dockyard at Gibraltar. There is not enough for active men to do; and in the case of the Royal Oak it looks very much as if Admiral Collard got rid of his superfluous energy by interfering in the Captain's work of running the flagship on board which the Admiral is, in theory, only a passenger with duties only concerning the squadron. In my opinion there are too many. And it is high time that the economy axe was applied to the Flag List.

It's house hunting time again for the birds. Have you one "To Let" in your back yard?

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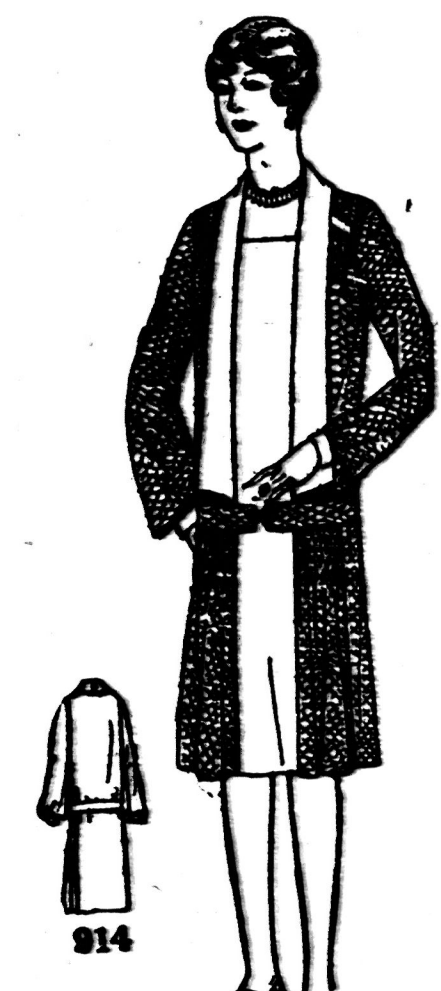
A CHARMING FROCK FOR THE LARGER WOMAN

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Always have the magic WHIGLEY package in your pocket. Soothes nerves, allays pain, refreshes.



There lay a dream of platinum and diamonds.

pockets, declined also. Chai-Hung lit up carefully, and passed the matches on to the commissioner.

Ten minutes later both Englishmen emerged.

Hewitt dropped into a chair and, tilting back his sun-helmet, mopped a moist brow.

"Now are you satisfied?" he demanded.

"Perfectly," declared Pennington enigmatically. "What d'you say to some liquid refreshment?"

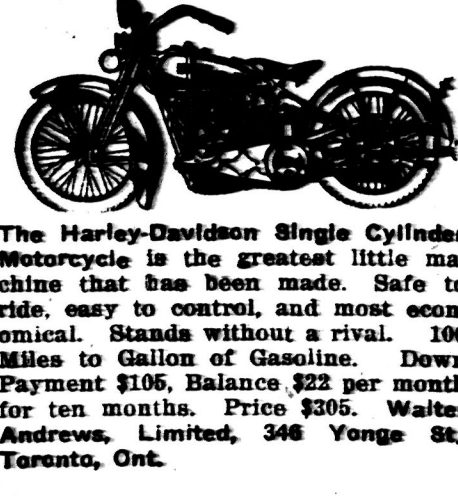
"If it weren't so confoundedly hot," said the commissioner, "I'd order a double brandy! As far as I can see, you've made a pretty mess of the whole affair. I'd have put my shirt on Chai-Hung—and I was right!"

"I can tell you—if you don't already know it—that our mutual acquaintance is mutually offended with the way you went over him."

"Till about I was thorough," chuckled the other, signaling to a forward who knugged in the doorway. "I suppose we've just about time to quench our thirst and get ashore before she

In a sudden clings.

The deep-throated note of the vessel above accompanied suddenly and, at that moment, Chai-Hung emerged from the cabin, carrying the dead-end of the cigar he had laid aside. He was now, but the benign smile



## General A To Minin

Canada Emba Phase of Aviation Luxury

Commercial aviation great strides lately in the past months have been according to the Railway. Commerce ada has been aimed and luxury flying existent, says a road, which contr

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