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"Another one?" said the librarian inquiringly. "Out of the old edition of Moore, eh? Well, I guess we won't send it back. I generally return personal letters if they are of enough interest and nobody calls for them, but if I sent everything back that we find the directors would be about my ears for wasting postage stamps." The afternoon was a quiet one, and the librarian continued:

"We shake every book that is returned, and almost always something falls out. It may be a letter like the one you have just found or a visiting card or a hairpin. Almost invariably the treasures that we unfold bear the earmarks of feminine possession. I am not charging women with carelessness. I am simply stating a fact.

"Generally the things we find are documentary in their nature. Last week I shook out of a book on home life a signed and indorsed check for $79 made payable to the dressmaker whose statement of account was pinned to it. On another occasion a fifty dollar bank note fluttered out. Both were called for within a short time. Occasionally one gives us a glimpse of a love secret or a tragedy. Not so long ago a letter was taken from a book which was of such an unusual nature that I remembered the names concerned long enough to recognize them in the newspaper reports of a court case which divided a family. The letter was addressed to a woman and filled with the frank and open avowal of a man's forbidden love, for the woman was the wife of another. I carefully secreted the missive and a few hours later was confronted by a tall, heavily veiled lady, who asked if a letter had been found in a book which happened to be a morbid problem novel of great popularity at the time, the work of a well known Englishwoman. The question was asked in a voice which tried hard not to shake. I handed the letter over, and the woman hastily took herself off. Scarcely a month later I ran across her name in the newspapers as defendant in a divorce court.

"Yet the writings we find in books are not always so intimate. Sometimes they savor of domesticity and the delights of the kitchen. Indeed I have enough recipes for desserts and sweetmeats to publish the collection as a cookbook. Now and then a book is a veritable mine. I have found in them gold, silver and precious stones. Embroidery silk by the yard and of rainbow hues may be fished out from some novels, and, alas, an occasional cigarette paper.

"The evidences of masculine forgetfulness are rarer. I have forgotten almost all such instances, but of those which I do remember there is one of which the details are as clear to me now as if they had happened yesterday. Indeed it will never leave my mind, for it led to the capture of a gang of criminals.

"A wealthy but solitary old bachelor was found lifeless on the floor of his library one morning. On his body no wound was discovered, and as far as the detectives could ascertain no one had gained access to the house. The case excited great public interest, and I followed the developments with closeness in the newspapers. There had been at first some talk of suicide and more of heart failure, but the autopsy put a new phase upon the case, for it showed that the old man had come to his death through an insidious yet powerful poison. The question then arose, Who administered it? As I was reading the detailed report of the doctors I suddenly dropped the paper. I remembered that a month before a stranger had come in one wet, dismal night and asked for a recondite work by a foreign author. It was a standard treatise on poisons and a volume seldom read.

"I hurried to the library and sought the book. Opening it and rapidly running over the pages you may imagine my astonishment and almost horror to find lying between two pages devoted to a detailed account of the very poison that caused the old man's death a smirched and thumb marked piece of paper. On it was writing in a small and angular hand referring to the chapter and page on which the poison was described. I then looked up the record of the book's withdrawal and found the name which the man had given. I also found that the book had not been taken out since. Having ascertained these facts, I went at once to the police. Taking the information as a clew, the detectives, after a long and arduous search, followed it to its logical end and arrested the only relative the old man had possessed, a medical student, whose existence had not even been known. He confessed his share in the crime and, with his accomplices, paid the penalty. That case opened my eyes to the value of inspecting every book as it returned to the library."—New York Tribune.

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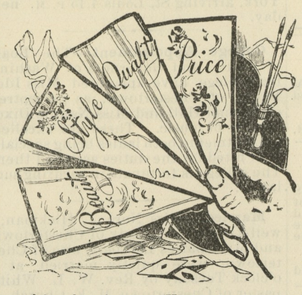

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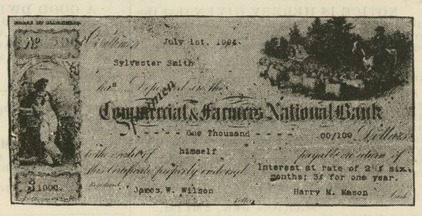

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