

uncle, with equal success; but at the end of the third year, just when they are ready to repeat the fraud, John Dayton writes to them that he is coming to New York to see "his kids".

Birdie is away in Atlantic City, and Dickie at his clubs and about the town, when Dayton's letter reaches New York, so that he is a week in the City before they receive the letter.

John Dayton is a splendid type of Western Canadian, over six feet tall, with the strong, athletic figure of the man used to being in the saddle a great part of his time, and the clean tanned skin, the clear keen eyes that seem to see over great distances, such as the outdoor man possesses. His face is of that kindly, rough type one sees so often in western Canada, not in feature beautiful, but with a certain rugged fineness that bespeaks a clean and honest mind, and an abundant sense of humor. A man who has made his own way in the world, and ridden over the hardest obstacles; who does not disdain to use his hands as well as his head. Far from being the "antique" conceived by his weakling nephew, Dayton, forty years old, is younger in strength and mind than Dick, aged 26.

Finding his nephew and niece out of town, Dayton takes half a floor at the Plaza, and proceeds to examine New York with the appraising and impartial eye of the man who is too big to ~~be~~ find all the fraud and shoddy pretense and show a matter to be sneered or laughed at, but regarded as