## A Modern Mercenary.

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Synopsis of Preceding Chapters. Massau is a little duchy in Europe which has thus far maintained its independence because of the jealousies of the large surrounding countries. International affairs are now however, at a critical stage, and the little state seems about to be swallowed up. Germany is represented at Revonde, the capital, by one of her shrewdest statesmen, Baron von Elmur. England's indicates is felt to be Elmur. England's influence is felt to be great, and the presence of Major Counsellor means much. It was through Counsellor that John Rallywood, a fellow countrymau, had served seven years in the Massau frontier cavalry. Rallywood is about to resign his commission when Selpdorf, the chanhis commission when Selpdorf, the chancellor and "man of the hour," sends for him and makes him a Gentleman of the Guard. During the visit to the palace Rallywood meets Von Elmur and Valerie Selpdorf, the chancellor's daughter. The Gentlemen of the Guard object to the appointment of Rallywood, and Unziar one of the leaders and a suttor for Valerie's hand, insists on settling the affair of honor involved. Rallywood gives him the opportunity at the palace ball, wins the toss, but gives first shot to Unziar. Unziar misses and Rallywood hurries to an engagement with Valerie for the last dance. Wallenloup, the commander, gives Rallywood the badge of the Guard, and the palace guests overwhelmed and the palace guests overwhelmed oung Englishman with congratula-

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One Woman's Diplomacy.

There are men who, though conspicuously in the world, are never of it. Counsellor words, but in reality waiting for his comwas one of these. He gave the impression panion to take up the unfinished sentence. being a spectator, one who looked on at lent than meek, entirely ready to give his of old Counsellor's nature was yet hot. opinion, often with a surprising frankness, but maintaining throughout the complex relations of his life a superb reserve that formed a defense behind which neither favor nor enmity could penetrate. He stayed on at Revonde, though the tsa

continued to blow relentleesly. Affairs were yet in a chaotic condition and he lingered grumbling at the club, declaring it was too cold to travel, and apparently finding his chief relaxation in privately deriding Rallywood for the favors which Revonde society was thrusting so lavishly upon him.

In the untiring whirl and tangle of court life and galety Rallywood lived and moved with a growing enjoyment that half surprised himself, and for which he accounted on the score of change from the full drudgery of the frontier. His acceptance by the guard had been thorough; even the colonel-in-chief, Count Sagan, whose strongest point was not courtesy, had given him a pronounced recognition. The pretty countess demanded a good deal of his attention and attendance, and this fact brought down upon him some of Counsellor's most

"Gallantries are in vogue, my boy, and you are qualifying for a high place among walked away together she nodded comthe Massauns," he said. "She is a deuced pretty woman. I offer you my compliments." know what I know!" "She is pretty." replied Rallywood, "but there are a good many people in Maasau

who think her handsomer than I do."

'Does it seem so bad as all that?" asked Rallywood reflectively. "Yes, I suppose I like going there; yet, as I have said before. there are a good many people who appreciate her more than I do."

"Then what in the world takes you Because of the other people, I suppose,"

he repeated dreamily. 'As for instance' Rallywood woke up from his thoughts and

shook himself. "Unziar," he returned with a grin Counsellor opened the stove and threw in

the remnant of his cigar. "Ah!" he commented, significantly; "and

Rallywood laughed.

countess wants of all things to make a friend of you. She says the English are so But you are such an old bear asked, innocently. the women can't get at you."

cate the countess' opinion of me. There are very few reliable women. If I had ever found one I might have married her." That is a hard saying, major. You've been

"No. I've no personal feeling in the mat-I share the opinion in common with see. many wise men. Let me refer you to Solothe census of whose harem warrants us in believing that what he didn't know about women wasn't worth knowing. Yes he records as his experience, 'One among a thousand have I found; but a woman among all these have I not found."

"I bet he didn't! You can't sample delicate quality in the bulk," retorted Rallywood, and was already at the door when an idea stopped him. "Look here, major; come with me and revise your verdict."

his surprise Counsellor stood up and asked one more question.

"Countess Isolde invited me?" 'Any number of times, as you know."

'The more fool she," growled Counsellor.

The cotillon, danced with its hundred vagaries, was as fachionable at Revonde as elsewhere. Counsellor, like a courtly bear, was induced to join in its whimsical va-

The details of the cotilion obtaining at that period do not concern us here. It is sufficient to say that, as a result of some evolution, by chance or by choice Counselfor found himself with the countess on a raised dais at one end of the room, while Mile. Selpdorf and Rallywood formed the corresponding couple at the other end. Between the dance proceeded, thus leaving the respective couples virtually isolated for a

"It was delightful of you to come to our little party tonight," the countess was saying to her companion. "Now that you have come to see me here, can I not induce you to come also to Sagan next week? We are going out there for a few days. Do think

You are too kind, my dear madame, but an old man like myself may be out of

The counters sighed a little.

"Of course you are not at all old," she said, shaking her head at him, "though you are fond of playing the part. But if you want to be old you can be old in good company at the castle, for the duke will be there-you know he is a cousin of ours.

Counsellor looked back into the blue, smiling eyes. Most men would have succumbed to their innocent flattery. To the major they only suggested an infinite ca-

pacity for foolishness. 'Don't you think we could exchange our duke for another, a more interesting one?"

stupid gambling, and altogether there are many things-" her speech tailed off encon-

sequently into a confused silence. "Wanting? Certainly! Por example, we have no duchess," said Counsellor, gailantly. "We need a pretty duchess. is it not possible that Massau may yet boast the most adorable duchess in Europe?" Countess Isolde started, and flushed like

laid her fan on Counsellor's stout knee with a confidential, impulsive gesture, "But England does not like the idea of pretty duchesses?" she ventured, re-

a pleased child, and her eyes lit up as she

proachfully. "And you are only a flat-terer, after all!"

The major raised his bushy white eyebrows.

"Have I that reputation?" "No, they say you are terribly frank;" then a design to sound this difficult and usually unapproachable diplomat came into her irrational head. Older men than he had been vanquished by her beauty ere now. "England has not yet recognized my husband's claim as next heir," she whispered. Major Counsellor, do you think your nation could ever be brought to recognize me as duchess?"

"If the occasion arose," answered the wily old soldier, softly, "I do not seespeaking as a man-how any request of yours could be refused. But I cannot answer for my nation. Still, if the occasion arose-" he hesitated as if searching for

The countess trembled with excitement the play of common ambitions and intrigues This was indeed a triumph. She, "silly with an amused and impersonal interest. He Isolde," as old Sagan was ever ready to call was drawn into no quarrels. Those who her, had gained a little bit of information hated him most continued to shake hands they would give their ears to possess, but with him, and none could accuse him of she would keep it and use it at her leisure. being a partisan. Yet he was rather trucu- Meanwhile she must strike while the iron

"But the occasion will arise, believe me Perhaps soon at Sagan!" As she spoke she started violently, and her face turned white as Count Sagan stood before them.

"Do you feel inclined for a hand at whist, Counsellor?" he asked, abruptly, with a wrathful, questioning glance at his wife 'Has my wife been boring you with her chatter?

"On the contrary, Major Counsellor has promised to join us at the castle next week." exclaimed his wife.

Sagan's bloodshot eyes darkened. He had the guile of a plotter, but lacked something of the self-control. Counsellor, who ap peared to be watching the dancers, turned upon this and added: "And I have been thanking Mme. de

Sagan for the invitation." "Ah, I knew you wouldn't come! Well, you will lose nothing. We shall

have a houseful of fools," interrupted the count roughly. "I have already accepted and will with your permission, count, be one of the fools,'

replied Counsellor, genially. The countess understood she had in some way put her foot in it, but as the men

placently to herself, with the words, "I

The tide of dancers still swept backward and forward as Mme. de Sagan idly observed them, until her glance chanced to "Yet you tell me that you are again on fall upon the opposite couple at the further your way to her house this evening. Can't end of the saloon. Something in Valerie's you get through the day without a glimpse air fixed her wandering attention at once saying to her? And where was Anthony Unziar? The Countess Isolde had to the full the all-devouring vanity of her type, but now, for once in her life, she felt desirous of forwarding a love affair that was not

her own. "You are going to Sagan, of course?" Valerie had said to her partner, as they stood together.

"I think not," Raffywood replied "I thought you would be sure to be in attendance"-she glanced carelessly toward the dais, where the countess was at that moment laying her fan on Counsellor's knee

-"as usual "No. Unziar is the lucky man," Rallypresume Unziar goes there to meet you. wood answered, without significance in his "Nonsense! Anthony is her cousin!" said

"I'm hanged if I do! By the way, the the girl impatiently. Rallywood's gray eyes were on her face.

"Whose cousin? What do you mean?" he

Valerie bit her lip. She hated this Eng. "So much the better for me," was the lishman. Of all her acquaintances he alone, grim reply. Also I am sorry I can't recipro- in his blundering way, was able to put her, somehow, at a disadvantage

"When the duke goes to Sagan," she said, without noticing his question, "the count has the privilege, as colonel-in-chief of the unlucky. That's where it hurts with you!" guard, of inviting any two officers he pleases to act with the escort. So we shall

> "I wonder," said Rallywood, after a pause, "where you get your impressions,

> mademoiselle?" "I see-like other people. We all form our judgments on what we see and-know!"

> "What do you know, for instance?" "I heard of you when you were at Kofn Ford, near the castle of Sagan," she an-

Rallywood was only human, and, however moderately he may have returned Mme. Sagan's preference, he was fully aware of its existence. In those days on the frontier he rather from fastidiousness than tion of time." principle, perhaps, avoided her and her invitations whenever possible. But that was the chancellor, softly. one thing. It was another to hear the matter oofly alluded to by the girl beside him. Involuntarily he drew a little away from The bulk of the new empire must by force her. His notions were founded less on of gravitation attract all the smaller bodies actual knowledge and experience of women round it to itself. It is by a miracle only for of that he had little—than gathered that Maasau has stood alone so long." from that idealized version of the sex with which the right-minded male animal is standing alone a little longer." usually furnished by his own mental and emotional processes. So far his intercourse friend!" with Isolde of Sagan had been limited to certain sentimental passages the initiative excellency forgets," said Selpdorf, with lay with the woman, but Rallywood had touch of sadness in his voice, "that there once or twice been distinctly wrought upon have been Selpdorfs helping in this miracle by the appeals to his sympathy and pity. of the independence of Maasau for genera-Now, however, looked at from a fresh tions." standpoint, the one, in fact, from which | Elmur altered his attitude with open im Valerie viewed it, the subject became sud- patience. denly repellent, and he slid away from the

"You are glad to come to Sagan?" persisted his companion; "say you are glad." "I've never been more glad of anything in different terms to any which could pos my life!" Rallywood replied with truth, and sibly be conceded to a state that had forced then, his good angel rather than his mother upon us the unpleasant necessity of wit coming to his rescue, he got away from coercion. Remember Frankfurt! She paid the dancing saloon, and found Counseflor at for her obstinacy. Whereas we are prehe entrance preparing to leave.

"I'm not going your way," replied consult not only to counsellor. "Besides, I wish to drive, but your own also." Counsellor. Hullo, you have got hold of my gloves!" and snatching at the gloves-which happened to to know where our true interest lies," said he Rallywood's-he thrust his own into the Selpdorf, thoughtfully. "Do you go to the roung man's hand, saying in a low voice as castle of Sagan next week?" he did so: "Be on the Cloister bridge in

aif an hour. Good-night!" have its effect upon Elmur. He turned At the appointed time Rallywood, having away from the table, crossed his legs and half an hour. Good-night!" replaced his military great-coat by one less lit a cigarette in a leisurely manner before remarkable, was waiting on the bridge, when he answered. she added, misled perhaps by his look, he was accosted by a hunchbacked fellow "Yes, and you, monsteur?"
"Duke Gustave is so wrapped up in his in a shabby Massaun sheepskin, who dropped "I have no inclination for these gayeties;

Presently Rallywood followed him until they came out into an open country road where the biting tsa met them full face. This is a is deadly! Quick! What is it

Rallywood answered in a few rapid sen-"Yes, I fancied something of the kind was What an inestimable blessing it is

that such women as the Countees Sagan exist to satisfy diplomatic curlosity. We must find out the precise limits of the German game at the castle of Sagan. It is lucky for you, John, my son, that your duty as a Maasaun soldier to the Maasaun nation and as an Englishman to your own run in this instance on the same lines." "They always will."

"Don't be too sure of that! There may come a day when your public and your private honor will stand face to face, hopelessly irreconcilable. What then?"

When anything so extremely awkward comes to pass I suppose I shall have to make up my mind on the subject," replied Rallywood with a lazy yawn. "In the meantime it is too much trouble. Just at present my part is simple and I look for the game to turn in our favor."

just this useless scrap of country," he said "Unziar? I can positively reassure your at length, "but the issues are far-reaching excellency on that point."

tion, for a minute. "The stake may seem to be a small one-

glance at his companion. "To repeat my own words-we do not progress, my dear Selpdorf."

"So? Women finesse in these affairs. you have to tell me?" said Counsellor's Valerie follows the custom of her eex, and perhaps she has become a little spoiled by overmuch admiration. Were she aware of your-wishes, it would solve many of the that is my opinion, although I believe present doubts."

of bargain," said Elmur, with a curious smile, "one to ask, the other to grant. I am prepared to ask when I am assured that my request will be favorably received. An the wrong breed. However, I would wish ambassador is esteemed in just the same to point out that it will be essential to degree as the country be represents. If carry through this, matter quickly, his country triumphs, he triumphs also."

"In this case I might point out that accept the scheme of reversion, your personal success," the chancellor said whole arrangement would be completed be-airily, "would be the best, shall I say the fore the world was the wiser." only possible, preliminary to the success of the mission with which his imperial majesty has charged you." Elmur drew in his lips slightly. Val-

erie, as the Baroness von Eimur, was to be

direction, Selpdorf's Insistence was most unpalatable to the German minister. Counsellor stood still, as if in considera-"I am ready to lay myself at mademoiselle's

the picturesque young captain of the guard.

face things as they actually are." "Even now Rallywood has his uses.

guard is composed of the flower of our nobility-they are not to be tempted. At least Count Sagan holds differently. But this "It takes two to make that especial kind Rallywood is a soldier of fortune, a mercenary. You perceive?"

"All that might have been true"-Elmur

Elmur erroked his chin dubiously "I am very much afraid he belongs If the duke can be persuaded the

is here, that in itself speaks.

"Neither England nor the good Counsellor

ness, the duke, holds a review of the guard. will if possible sound him on the subject which interests us both. Should that fail.

raise the revenues for a good many years. without giving much in the way of a "It is the simplest plan, and therefore the quid pro quo, beyond the vague hopes and can tell? The duke, old vice-sodden reprobest. But what will England say? Counsellor siry promises which pledged the Maasaun bate as he was, had that one remnant of government to little or nothing. But now, can touch an accomplished fact. As they weary of so unprofitable a speculation and her father's guaranty for the future! Al- say in their own idiom: 'Possession is nine were inclined to expect some definite rethough Elmur's desires lay in the same parts of the law.' It remains with us to turn for their assistance. The duke listened moodily, lying back Selpdorf rose. "Your excellency will excuse me. It is figure, whose features had lost their shapely feet," he said aloud, "but there is always time to start for the palace. Today his high- mold under the touch of dissipation. The nose hung long and fleshy between the pouched skin of the cheekbones, the eyes showed a tell-tale slackness in the under eyelid, where it merged into the loose wrinkles below. The lower part of the face was covered by a long but sparse mustache, through which at times could be discerned that terrrible protrusion of the upper lip that seems the herald of senility. Gustave, grand duke of Maasau, was only that day celebrating the completion of his 57th year. When the carriage attained the level of the plateau the main road curved away inland to the right, while upon the left hand,

Selpdorf admitted that this was true and

under the wall of encircling brown cliffs, a

small brigade of all arms was assembled to

do honor to their ruler. Through a cut in

the hills, far away, but seemingly nearer on

bay, blown into the "innumerable laughter

inspiring, but the duke looked heavily on as

the troops deployed and turned, their arms

First in order came a couple of squadrons

of the frontier cavalry, with their black

sheepskins hanging behind them; then in

fantry, followed by two batteries of artillery divided by some more cavalry, and, after a

it the more he desired to have it, by hook or

The grand marshal of Maasau having been

dismissed from the side of the royal carriage

with a few curt words, the duke spoke again

there is no more to be got out of anybody.

I know better than that. England, Germany

The guard, with scattered pennons flying,

ground. The chief effect of the day was

our other subject-What do they want?"

Selpdorf smiled, and passed his fingers

upwards over the erect corners of his mous-

pay a heavy annual sum if your highness

would consent to disband your guard!"

said, with a tentative smile.

and Russia are waiting to outbid each other.'

"Then you wish me to understand that

glittering in the sunlight.

distinct interval, the guard,

in a low tone to Selpdorf.

on the old terms."

by crook.



"HE TURNED AWAY FROM THE TABLE, CROSSED HIS LEGS AND LIT A CIGARETE IN A LEISURELY MANNER."

the game. How will it end? I don't know. The fates shuffle and men handle the cards, but God cuts! Thirty years' experience has taught me that. I didn't believe it once-I do now.'

CHAPTER VIII.

A Question of the Guard. The really great strategist is not the man who loves an intricate plot. His method is simple—he eliminates.

On a certain cold morning, when the sun shone pinkly through a sea haze over the glittering roofs of Revonde, a review of the guard, and of a few regiments that happened to be stationed within a short distance of the capital, was to be held, in honor of the duke's birthday, on the spa- might have disposed of some of our chief clous parade ground of the guard, which occupied the whole of a small plateau lying high between the beetling hills behind the barraoks.

Baron von Elmur paid an early visit to the chancellor on his way to the review, and found M. Selpdorf, though brisk and urbane as ever, a little difficult.

"We do not progress, monsieur," Elmus was saying.

"What would you, my dear baron? We have so many obstacles in our path," answered the other, shrugging his shoulders good-humoredly.

Elmur leaned his elbow on the table.

"I know that delay can conduce to no good end," he said. "You have agreed that certain course is desirable no less for your country than mine." "Have I agreed to that proposition? No

altogether! Remember, I cannot be expected to see with German eyes." "Even to the most patriotic Mansaun It

must be evident that sooner or later the state must fall to us. It is merely a ques "The time has already been long," said

"For an excellent reason; because we have not always been, as now, a huge bulk.

"And by another miracle she might go of "This is not the age of miracles, my

"I remember also something which your

"You are a far-sighted patriot, mon sieur. It is needless to repeat that if Maasau joins the confederation of the empire by her own act she will do so on very pared to deal generously toward those who "I'll walk round with you, major," he cast in their lot with ours. Besides," he added significantly, "I am urging you to

consult not only the interests of Maasau,

"They are the same, and it is difficult The abrupt change of subject seemed to

cure every disorder of the Stomach, Liver and Intestines. They not only cure constipation, but correct any and every form of irregularity of the bowels, including diarrhoa and dysentery Pleasant, palatable, potent. Taste good, do good. Never sicken, weaken or gripe. Be sure you get the genuine! Beware of imitations and substitutes! Buy a box of CASCARETS

"Unziar? No! The Englishman-Rally- | we must consider the alternative scheme."

"Rallywood?" said the chancellor in very real surprise, "what of him?" "Nothing, beyond the fact that he has an aptitude for challenging fate. Such men dazzle the eyes, and are consequently apt

to be dangerous. Why has he been placed in the guard?" "I placed him there to serve our mutual convenience," replied Selpdorf. "He is an Anthony Unziar, waiting with haughty stiff-Englishman, with his full share of English ness for the appearance of the duke. intolerance and courage. On the other hand, the guard resent the intrusion of foreigners, neither are they-mild-mannered."

Elmur considered. "The chances were in favor of trouble certainly. Had there been trouble Rallywood difficulties for us," he remarked, with a

cynical smile. "He might also have been disposed of himself," said Selpdorf, "and he is the one human being for whom the good Counsellor has the slightest regard. In politics it is

Half an hour later the two men met again as they dismounted in the court yard of the palace. They approached each other courteously. "There stands the real obstacles to ou

success." said Elmur in a low tone. Selpdorf followed the German minister glance. Standing there, in the firelight of luting swords, the duke pulled himself erect the guard room, was the tall figure of

"His highness, gentlemen, the Massaun guard," went on Elmur with a bitter sneer "the impersonation of an arrogant millitarism!

"Seven-to be counted with," corrected Selpdorf gently. "The other, the eighth-"Has the initial fault of nationality. How ever, he goes to Sagan."

The mist cleared as the sun rose higher until by noon the sky was of a pale radiant blue, laced with a delicate ery of white wind-scattered clouds. ing westward the dark river wound away to necessary to consider the personal equation. the sea, ringed here and there by the highly To touch Counsellor in his weakest point decorated bridges of light-toned granite

The slack fallen lines of the duke's visage grew suddenly tense. His eyes brightened as the tossing mass in green and gold swept down toward them in a thunder of hoofs, and the long-drawn shout of "Maasau,"

with which the guard have charged home on so many a battlefield. As the splendid ranks of horsemen crashed past under a flashing play of sain his carriage and raised his gloved hand in acknowledgment with a strong fling of

enthusiasm that recalled to men present other and better days. Selpdorf's brow lost its round smoothness for a short moment, but cleared again before the duke dropped back with a groan

into his seat. "Disband the guard? What traitor suggested that? May the guard shoot me first! 'd rather rot of starvation than consent to

freedom of Massau! Presently he turned upon the chancellor with a glooming and suspicious gaze. "Has Sagan been tampering with you?" he asked, with a sneer. "If he tempted he is making rapid progress to a complete you now it would only be to betray you recovery.

a rough English "Good night" as he passed, but my daughter goes." Von Elmur shot a would have been to alienate England at peculiar to Massau. Revende, in the sun- later! He hankers after Massau, but re shine, shone in the colors of a moss-grown member my cousin in England. He has

stone, gray and green, the twin ridges on claims which cannot be overridden. shrugged his shoulders; "unluckily we must which it stood fretted and embossed to their | Selpdorf remained respectfully silent for summits with the palaces and pinnacles, a short time, revolving the extremely imthe spires and towers and gardens of the portant admission with regard to the second spreading city. The grand duke, as they claimant to the heritage of the duchy, which,

rounded the mounting road to the parade the duke in his excitement had made. ground, looked back upon Revende with a | The first and simpler plan of persuading lingering glance. Selpdorf, who was scated the duke to enter into an understanding opposite to him, had been replying to his with Germany, to the effect that she should grumbling questions as to the condition of enjoy the reversion of Mansau in exchange the royal exchequer with a depressing ac- for the payment of a secured annuity, was count of the hopelessnes sof the situation.
"Revends is a jewel after all!" said the in train the second scheme, which contained

duke suddenly; "a jewel can always be elements of infinitely greater canger." Human nature is a complex thing, yet each man's attitude of mind toward himself also hinted that the jewel had been used is often only an extension of his attitude of mind toward his neighbor.

in one way or another pretty freely to What the chancellor said to himself to whitewash his conduct in his own eyes, who manhood left, a determination to face the he explained, the powers were growing last and most absolute contingency of life rather than sell his country.

Perhaps Selpdorf used that most guilty of all excuses-if I do not put my hand to this thing some one else will. Maasau must on his cushions, a thin-legged, paunchy fall sooner or later to some larger power. May not I profit by it as well as another? Did he set his house of excuse upon the sand of a certain bitter writing? persuade them," said Satan-"I will make them two idols, which they shall call honor and fidelity, and a law which shall be called passive obedience. And they shall worship these idols!" If honor, fidelity and obedience be idels, where, then, are the true gods? (To be Continued.)

For Bad Complexions.

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OUT OF THE ORDINARY.

Police cost New York \$11,797,598 a rear. Uncle Sam has 450,000,000 acres of forest. India imported 2,853,298 gallons of beer in

More herrings are eaten than any other kind of fisu. The little army was perfect in equipment The new stables of the emperor of Gerand finish, and their uniforms were brilmany are to cost about \$2,000,000 liant and picturesque but the duke started Till recently the employment of electricity out upon the amphitheater of the parade

in any shape or form in Constantinople was ground with dissatisfaction and ennui. strictly forbidden. Incredible as it may ap-Money, he wanted money, and the less the chancellor could encourage him to hope for name must have something to do with the manufacture of dynamite. It has been found in New York that for every 1,000 births children bear the com-

moner names in this ratio: Mary 68, William 66, John 62, Elliza 61, Thomas 29, George 36, Sarah 36, Anne 53, James 31, Charles 23, Henry 21, Alice 19, Joseph 18, Samuel 17, Helen 10. The horsehair used in making violin and other similar bows 's imported from Ger-many. A hank of the best white bair can be

bought for 20 cents; it might cost 30 cents "That is true, sire; but they will not deal more to have it put into a bow. To capair a bass viol bow costs more, the bulk of hair required being greater. were drawn up at the lower end of the parade Few of the million passengers or more who make their daily journey in a London bus or street car know that the horses

about to take place-the charge of the guard. which craw them are nearly always American or Canadian. Great Britain, the "horsi-"I am now of an age," remarked the duke peevishly, "when my birthdays have ceased est" country in the world, buys more than to be a cause for congratulation. This re-20,000 horses from the United States every view is an anachronism. In my father's time year. I rode at the head of the guard, and led a The New York Druggists' League for charge on the day I was 18. Pish! I have Shorter Hours is distributing cards containgrown wiser, and know how to enjoy life ing a list of "sanitary drug stores" in Mansfer a more rational fashion. To return to hattan and Brooklyn, and also the league's

definition of a "drug store swenthouse." It describes sanitary drug stores as "not selling liquor to their customers, opiates to drug flends, poison to would-be suicides, disflends, poison to would-be suicides, dis-guised intoxicants to the unwary, cigarettes "For example, there is a power that might to boys or adulterated candy to children." The first interment in the new dog cemeplace to the delight and financial betterment of all the space writers on the Paris papers. The corpse was laid out on a sofa in a coffin at the house of its mistress and all its living comrades gathered around it. The mourning

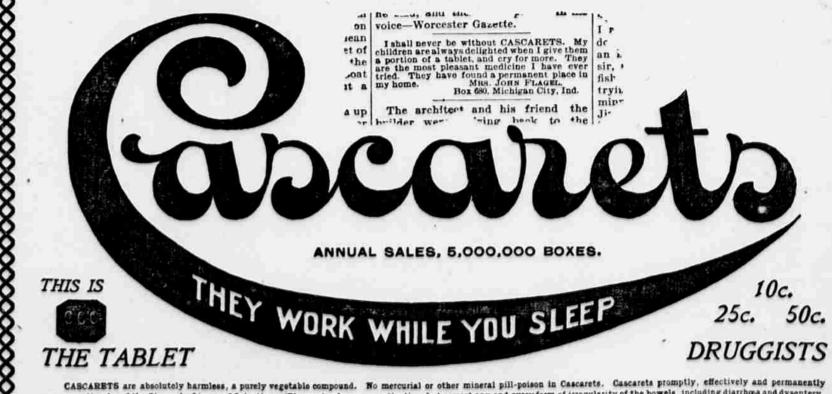
> terrier which set up a doleful howl in which the remaining pets joined. Then the line of march was taken up to the cemetery. The crowds of people who are visiting the stranded steamship Paris—some of them coming from distant points in England and fishermen of the Cornwall coast are getting rich. Bicyclists to the number reached St. Martin on a recent Sunday and hotel keepers and restaurant proprietors are also reaping a harvest. One fisherman made

was opened somewhat suddenly by a little

\$20 in a single day by taking passengers around the wreck at 62 cents a head. Eugene Brazee of Geneva, N. Y., who was truck on the side of the head by a falling timber last April and appeared at the time to have escaped serious injury, has been los-ing his memory ever since until he had it! For with the guard is bound up the finally forgotten his name and the comp Then he lost the power of speech and his right side became paralyzed. All this has now been remedied by an operation on the skull. The patient's memory and power of speech have returned to him and

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