

(CHAPTER XXI-Continued.)

boat. I chose this boat because I believed we should be safe here. bility, owe allegiance. That I do face had deepened, his eyes were "No," and Kasia smiled. "It But there are spies on board; one not permit myself to forget. But brighter than ever, and he waved would appear of value only to of our conferences has been overheard-perhaps both of them,' and he told of the assault upon father. He would not hesitate to Plainly, a crisis was at hand, and, count." Schroeder. "Then again, we must rebuke you, and neither shall I. as she saw how her father was af-not be seen too much together. I What was it you were saying to fected, she awaited it with fore- 8 o'clock, I shall bring it up to not be seen too much together. I Miss Vard?" Miss Vard?" And the prince, after a mo- boding. She tried to read and gave it might be recognized; and you are already suspected of having

listened frowningly.

caused the destruction of La Liberte."

"How can that be?" Vard demanded, in a tone which showed that he was genuinely startled.

from his vest pocket a paper, unfolded it and handed it to Vard. It was the wireless from Lepine.

"That was received last Thursday," he said. "I suppose you know who Lepine is. By great good fortune, I intercepted it, and sent an answer denying that you your father learned of it, I fear and hateful. were on board. It was for that he would think it necessary to It was inevitable that, at this word to discuss affairs of state he have suspected you?"

Vard shook his head slowly. He was a little pale, and the hand acquaintances, and to see this girl dignified for her to steal up again stand. which held the message trembled. or her father only in my pres-

"I cannot guess," he said.

"You have told no one ?"

"You have told no one?" And so deeply grounded was the tate matters? She did not want to on the bench on the boat deck, "Told !" flashed Vard. "Do you habit of obedience, so profound his do that and yet \*\*\* not see that, unless my great plan respect even for his father's sigsucceeds, that action will have nature, that the prince promised. been an infamous one? To kill 300 Besides, he had no wish to spend a her, and she looked up and saw men in order to assure peace to year or more in some second rate the world-that may be justified fortress; and he resolved to watch she fancied it was only the visual--that may even be heroic; but to himself most warily, until this an-kill them wantonly, to kill them noying business was at an end and she winked the mists away. and then to fail-that would drive he was back again in Berlin. me mad!" He looked at Pach-So Kasia saw him no more. She

ence."

mann, his eyes suddenly inflamed. had a little struggle with herself one. I was dreadfully bored." "And let me tell you this," he before she finally decided that it added, in a voice of concentrated was her duty to outline, the away. I passed you twice and you again. Perhaps I may see you in passion, "if I find that you have prince's confessions to her father, and she was deeply relieved when have betrayed me, Germany shall he waved them aside as of no imsuffer a reprisal that will make portance. you shudder! I swear it!" "Every

"Every one knows," he said, Pachmann's eyes were also suf-fused. In that moment, he literally but humiliating England; that is deck," said Dan, "where you —" fortable than at an hotel. I do not Pachmann's eyes were also suf-"that Germany dreams of nothing saw red. no secret-it has been the talk of "You

threaten !" he cried Europe for 10 years past. But it hoarsely. "You dare to threat- is one of those dreams which never

on!" come true-or go by contraries!" without replying; but a gleam of pier." "I warn!" said Vard. "And you will do well to heed the warning! had completed his scrutiny of the Ward's mind when she saw him go

they ever reached New York.'

Hausmann's face clouded.

"We must take the risk.

"What will you do about their

"I will have it claimed by some

The captain hesitated yet a mo-

"I will secure the tickets," he

"You will be reimbursed. Fur-

Hausmann bowed coldly.

Again Hausmann bowed.

"Yes."

"Is there anything else ?"

fense," he pointed out.

and it took half an hour to trans- wish to know what it is?" mit, for the wireless man at the Cape Code station was required to There is one danger, though. If repeat it for verification. Then the customs inspector should hapit was hurried on by telegraph to pen to run across it, he will want New York, and finally delivered to know what it is.' at the German consulate, where the chief of the German secret vice."

service, to whom it was addressed, read it with great care. Miss Vard, meanwhile, was will find is a small metal box,

finding the hours long. The prince filled with tiny wires coiled about had furnished a slight divertisse- each other.' ment the day before; but today

Dan breathed more freely. "That simplifies things," he there was no such relief in sight, and she found herself singularly said. "From what you said when

"To be quite candid," answered mind me that you are a Hohen- restless. This was, in part, a re- you gave it to me, I was afraid I Pachmann, readily, "I am afraid zollern, a prince of the blood, a flection of her father's mood, for might have to knock him down, to give it to you on board this scion of the house to which I, a she had never known him so nerv- snatch the package, and make a petty member of the inferior no- out and irritable. The lines in his break for it."

in this affair, by virtue of this pa-per, I stand in place of your royal she ventured to address him. The customs inspector doesn't

you.

"Very well. I shall expect you. ment's inward struggle, repeated up, for she could not fix her atten- And now you must go. Dan rose obediently

"Not unless you wish to tell me.

"Tell him it is an electrical de-

"That will do no harm. All he

"And if he opens it?"

the conversation, while Pachmann tion on the page; she sat for a long time looking at the sea, and then "It will be a long 24 hours," he "You have been most indis- turned her eyes away, for its rest- said. "But I feel more cheerful that he was genuinely startled. For answer, Pachmann took prince had finished. "How much went for a walk about the deck, alded, turning back, "there's one harm you have done I cannot say but it seemed to her in every pair thing I forgot to tell you. If that —but I must hasten to undo it. I of eyes turned upon her there was other young fellow shows up again do not understand you. You know suspicion and aversion. How glad you needn't be afraid to talk to how important this affair is-you she was that the voyage was al- him. Chevrial says he's the only

"Chevrial!" she repeated, staring; "Chevrial said that!" "Yes," and Dan laughed. "He

reason you were removed to the punish you with great severity. I point, her thoughts should fly to seems to be the wise guy, all first class and your name kept off shall not report it—but on one Dan. What a nice boy he was! right!" and without suspecting the passenger list. But how can condition: you must give me your She would see him tomorrow night her emotion, he turned and left -she had promised him that! And her. But for a long time Kasia sat with no one, to make no chance before that? Would it be too un- there, unmoving, trying to under-

to that bench on the after boat Dan's evening was not so lonely deck-would it-would it precipi- as he had expected, for, as he sat staring out across the water and "Good afternoon," said a voice, thinking of the morrow, Chevrial and some one fell into step beside joined him.

"I do not intrude?" the Frenchthat it was Dan. For an instant, man asked.

'Not at all. Sit down, won't

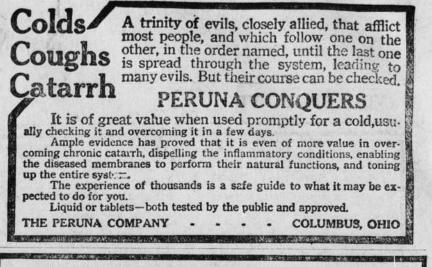
Chevrial sat down, and for some "This is nice of you," she said. moments there was silence.

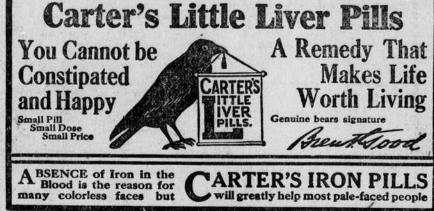
"I was just wishing for-some "Our voyage nears an end, M. Webster," Chevrial said at last. "You were a thousand miles "Tomorrow you will be home

"Where will you stay?"

"I have some friends in the wine trade with whom I usually stay. The little money I pay them is welknow their exact address-they have moved since I was last here:

Dan led the way up the ladder but they are to meet me at the





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### TROOPS AT SO MUCH A MAN

### Soldiers Furnished British Government by British States at Beginning of Revolutionary War.

At the beginning of the Revolutionary war the British government made treaties with several of the German states by which they were to furnish troops at so much a man to assist in subjugating the Americans, Applica-

ably. There was no united Germany

or imperial government, no kaiser with

'Twas Easily Done.

Hypochondria was the topic that was being discussed at a social affair, says the Philadelphia Press, when Senator William A. Smith of Michigan recalled the following story:

A woman who was perfectly well, but imagined she had at least a dozen different diseases, called one day to consult an eminent specialist.

"I think I understand your case thoroughly, madam," said the doctor as the patient began to tell the story of her life. "Just sit quite still a moment and let me look at you.'



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You are playing with fire-take passengers, and sought an inter. straight to the bench where she Record office and ask for care that it does not consume view with the captain. and the prince had sat. you!" "I have discovered nothing," he "It was this way," Dan ex-

Pachmann conquered his emo-on by a supreme effort. said; "absolutely nothing. At one time, I thought that I had the "I happened to be staring down friends. I do not know if you are tion by a supreme effort. "It is foolish to talk in that man, but I caused his story to be at the forward promenade, yester- a connoisseur of wine, but if you way," he said. "It is foolish to investigated, and found that it day afternoon, when I saw you are, they possess a few bottles of speak of deception and betrayal. was true. There remains only one walking with a tall young fellow, a vintage that will delight you." There is no question of either. But thing to be done. At what hour who seemed exceedingly interested we must move cautiously. We shall we land ?" must evade spies. Even you can see that!"

Vard, more calmly. "We shall may not be able to dock before reach New York on Tuesday. I evening." will await your answer for 24 hours after we have landed. If I moment. have not then received it, I shall "In the first place," he went on, consider myself free to act as I at last, following out his thought, think best.'

A gleam of triumph flashed in ing tickets-one for Vard and one Pachmann's eyes.

said, and with a little ironical bow, There must be no evidence that rose and left the cabin.

### CHAPTER XXII.

### THE EVENTS OF MONDAY.

Kasia did not see the prince again. That ingenuous young man baggage? spent a most uncomfortable half hour with the doughty ad- one from the consulate." miral, whose language had been both lucid and emphatic, and who ment. had opened the discussion, and very start, as it were, by produc-ing the paper sealed with the im- "You will be reimburse erial seal. "I would call your attention will myself explain to the emperor" "Why not slip perial seal.

pecially to this clause," said how greatly you have assisted us." Pachmann, and placed his finger upon the words, "all members of my family." "It was not placed asked. there by accident, I assure you. You understand its meaning?" less ?"

The prince nodded sullenly, as

know, his confidence in you is not failure can be explained as an find that little package-great." "He wouldn't find i

The prince flushed and opened his lips angrily; but closed them again without speaking.

Pachmann smiled unpleasantly. would ask you to have sent at

"That will depend upon the de- curious, as he happened to be a cept the invitation with thanks." lay at quarantine. Two of our second class passenger like my-"Here is my last word," said steerage passengers are ill. We self-

"Second class!" broke in Kasia, and stopped herself. Pachmann considered this for a "Did you think him a millionaire?" queried Dan, a little bit- reach me-we have no telephone, terly.

"No," answered Kasia, quiet- should delight to show you you must secure for me two land- ly; "I thought him just what he is things which the average visitor an ingenuous young German does not see.' for his daughter. The immigranot very brilliant, perhaps, but

"I'm very glad you didn't.

really wanted to talk to you.'

He stopped.

"Where I what?"

"I accept your condition," he tion officers must not see them. clean and honest. I passed a very pleasant half hour with him." Dan's face was a little pale, but get abroad again very soon. You he looked at her manfully and see, I have to collect a reserve "That is a very serious ofsquared his shoulders.

fund, first; and the cost of living "I deserved that!" he said. is high! Thank you, Miss Vard. But it "Whenever it is; and the more

was very lonely, last night!' Kasia's look softened.

"Yes," she agreed; "it was." "You felt it, too?" asked Dan, York ?'

his face lighting up again. "Certainly I felt it. I haven't Then I go to Boston, and to Mondared make any friends among the treal and Quebec, and thence home spiked the prince's guns at the agreed, finally. "A considerable first class passengers, and a per- again. I am glad I shall not have son can't read all the time! One to use a German boat. I do not

likes to talk occasionally, no mat- like German boats-nor anything German, for the matter of that!

"Why not slip over to second Which reminds me of a most pe-class tonight," Dan suggested, culiar circumstance. You may 'and sit on the bench. The moon have wondered at my remark with is very beautiful.' he

But Kasia shook her head, smil-"You have watched the wire-

ing. "I shall have to admire it he handed the paper back. "Your father," Pachmann con- closely. No message in cipher, wise for us to sit here. Suppose tinued, replacing it in his pocket, nor any that is at all questionable, some one, seeing us together, "foresaw that some difficulty must be sent or delivered. If there should take it into his mind to such as this might arise. As you are complaints afterwards, the search your baggage, and should

"He wouldn't find it," Dan broke in. "During the day, I carry "And finally," said Pachmann, it in my pocket. At night, I sleep 'I have here a message, which I with it under my pillow.

Kasia gave him a quick glance. "That is splendid!" she said, "I can guess what you wish to once." "I'l can guess what you wish to once." "That is splendid !" she said, of 20,000,000 gallons every 24 hours is to be built in Kansis City. Mo.

we will have dinner together."

"Thank you. I shall remember. autocratic power, but each independent state had a separate government. An English historian says: 'Finding it difficult or impossible to obtain the necessary recruits at home, and that the existing English and Irish regiments embarked with such reluc-"I'm far from being a connoistance that it was necessary to keep

in you. Naturally, I was a little seur," Dan laughed; "but I aca guard upon the transports to keep them from deserting by wholesale, the Chevrial's face was bright. ministry applied to Russia, the statesgeneral (Holland), and finally to sev-'And when next you come to eral of the German states for merce-Paris," he added, "I hope you will naries. The infamy of filling up the let me know. There is my card. A British armament was reserved for the letter to that address will always princes of three or four petty German states." Contracts were made with the alas! There are some things I rulers of seven German states under which an aggregate of thirty thousand troops were furnished at so much a

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head, cash down, and an annual sum to the rulers of the different states fur-"You are very kind," said Dan, nishing them. taking the card; "and I shall not "The subsidies," says the English forget; though I don't expect to historian, "were to be continued for

one full year at least after the war ended and the troops had returned to their homes." The troops thus hired out by German rulers to fight against Americans were not raised easily The soon, the better I shall be American historian Bancroft says:

"The whole number of men furnished in the war by Brunswick was equal to one-twenty-seventh part of its total population; by the landgrave of Hesse, to one out of every twenty of his subjects, or one in four of the ablebodied men, a proportionate conscription in 1776 would have shipped to America from England and Wales alone an army of more than 400,000 men. Soldiers were impressed from the plow, the workshop, the highway; no man was safe from the inferior agents of the princes, who kidnaped without scruple.'

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The patient complied and after studying her intently for a little while the physician glanced at his watch.

"There is nothing the matter with you, madam," finally said the doctor. 'You haven't the slightest indication of fever, and your heart beat is perfectly normal."

"Why, how do you know, doctor?" exclaimed the patient in surprise. You didn't take my pulse."

"It wasn't necessary, madam," smiled the specialist. "I counted the vibrations of the ostrich feather on your hat."

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### Bridget's Answer

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"Is it after eight yet?" asked Mrs. B---- of her one morning as she came in from the kitchen on some errand. "Yis, mum," replied Bridget care-

fully weighing her words. "It is after it all right, but it hasn't got there yit! It has five minute; yit to travel !"

#### An Iconoclast.

"Do you remember the famous Greek" artist who painted grapes that were so natural the birds pecked at them?"

"Oh, yes, I've heard that yarn," replied the superior person. "But ornitbology teaches us that certain of the smaller birds have very poor eyesight."

A good many men who get credit for being close mouthed are in reality too lazy to talk.

He is indeed a busy man who can never find time to find fault.

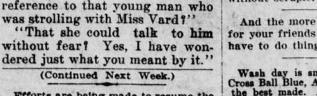
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"How long will you be in New

"A week-10 days, perhaps.

creased 700 per cent.



### "That she could talk to him without fear? Yes, I have wonalone," she said. "We must not dered just what you meant by it." (Continued Next Week.)

pleased !"

