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CHAPTER XVIII | snagged it, and here it is," and from at Hendricks still occupied the little house inner pocket he produced a two-inch square piece of paper, which bore the he did not take as much comfort or feel figure of a fox, or what was meant to so secure since the appearance of the pass for such, and the simple numbers coupe at the end of the street, and the 1-3. mysterious meeting of Jebbs and the stranger.

After debating the subject over night. Jebbs replaced the paper in his pocket. could not make up his mind to move. as if greatly disappointed. If the worst happened, why, he must try and find the way out of the difficul- ural ye don't see nuthin' in it. Now, I'll ty as best he might.

He knew that the Ellisons had returned to town, and on several occasions he had attempted to get a word with Grace, represent a fox. That is the sign of a but the opportunity did not offer. He French hotel, what they calls in that was delighted when he learned through lingo Le Renard Rouge, or, in plain Engthe papers that a man had been arrested lish, the Red Fox. Them numbers means as a suspect in connection with the the location of the meeting." crime, and he felt sure that the young man would be acquitted. For the pres-ent he could let matters in that direc- ing?" asked Job. tion take their course. The work that he had cut out to do was quite as im- in sich a myster'ous way. G'wan, you portant, to revenge himself on the man ought to know that gents in our perfeswho had been the direct cause of his sion ain't layin' no sich pipes. But it's years of misery. He had nursed the hope the manner of this swell gent, when he of bringing that man to justice for many makes a play, to have it fixed like a seasons, and now it seemed the victory Bowery mellerdrayma. Then, as Browny was at hand.

As the days went by, and there were why, the app'intment comin' to him in no signs of Jebbs, he became more and that way makes me sure that he will be more uneasy. He began to think that there.' this strange man was treacherous, and had, perhaps, gone over to the enemy, asked Job, Certainly he did not appear to be a person who was above selling out.

His surprise was therefore great when, returning one night, he saw a faint light shining through the shutters of the room on the upper floor where he generally slept.

Prepared for anything, he entered the man who came into the street in a house quietly and climbed the stairs to coupe." his room, threw open the door-and "Phew! are you worryin' 'bout that found-none other than Jebbs coolly seat-yit?" asked Jebbs, as a lit a dirty pipe ed at the table, discussing bread and and began to send forth clouds of smoke. cheese, stopping now and then to lift a "I thought I'd explained that. I never can to his lips. He did not seem to be at all alarmed when the owner of the nuthin' out o' me. I was polite to him place entered, nor did he act like a man 'cause I see that it was to my interests. who fears that his knavery has been Now, if you are a bit scared about this.

"How did you get in?" asked Hen-"How did you get in?" asked Hennight taken great precautions about bar-ring the doors and windows of the little ter a panse, for, while he suspected that house. It hurt him to think that this he was not being fairly dealt with, he fellow was able to enter a place he had knew that he must trust some one, and thought secure. Well, I wanted to get in and when I rest of his ilk.

feel that way, nuthin' can stop me," said Going over to the corner of his room, Jebbs, with his mouth full. "I'd like he extracted a small box he had hidden to see the bolts and bars that could keep in a hole in the molding of the window, yours truly out when he wanted to git and, without paying any particular afthe other side of a door." tention to his companion, who was "Well, you needn't try if again." grum-watching with eager eyes, he opened it. on the other side of a door."

bled the other. "You may have an un- disclosing what seemed to be a few pieces pleasant surprise the next time, so 1 of cheap jewelry. Out of the heap he

warn you." "Why so crusty, old man. 'Spec' I was goin' to set down in the garden, git pneu-mony waltin' fer ye, when all I had to an inferior variety. This ring he slipped

"G'wan! You will have yer little joke with me. Sometimes I am a wonderin' if you can be the same celebrated party they tell me about." Hendricks ut red a sigh, and then

"Well, if we can get in, and you have the tools, go to work. You see, I didn't come equipped."

"I suppose you mean by that you ain't fixed. I don't understand them foreign words. Go to the end o' the alley and watch and we'll have this out in a jiffy. and Hendricks, without a word, went down to the corner as directed.

It was not long before he heard a warning whistle, and, coming forward, found Jobbs standing beside the open window,

"If you get in here and wait in hidin', you'll hear and see the whole business," he said, pointing to the gap in the wall, 'Course you'll have to take yer chances then, but you're a masterful man, and will know how to get out of it if there's any trouble."

He held the window, which he had managed to open, ajar, while Job scram bled through, and, with the help of the sill, lowered himself noiselessly to the floor. He was in utter darkness, and, as there seemed to be no one in the place. he ventured to light a wax match and explore the place. He heard, in the meantime, that the window through which he had entered had been closed. He found bimself in a cellar, with a cement floor. divided by partitions, and, pushing his way through one of these, he stumbled over a chair, which roused strange echoes in the place. As he rose to his feet a light flashed out in the center of the room and he found himself standing beside a table, near which a well-dressed man was puffing on a cigarette, and regarding him with an amused expression of satisfaction

### (To be continued.)

#### THE TSAR INCOGNITO.

He Relieved the Peasant Lad from Military Duty.

Alexander III, of Russia was once fishing incognito in the vicinity of Viborg. Finland, and attended only by an aide-de-camp. Sport had been bad all the morning until an old wood-cutter passed by and suggested a worm as bait. Several fine fish were soon landed by the Czar, who was so pleased that he insisted on going home with the wood-cutter to luncheon. Here the trout were cooked, and the royal guest was waited upon by the peasant's daughter, who was sad and tearful. The story is told in "Finland As It Is." "Why is she so sad?" inquired the Czar of the girl's father at the close of the meal.

"Her sweetheart is going away to-

"Where is he, this sweetheart?" ask-

"Go and fetch him!"

and nervously eyed the stalwart, flaxen-headed figure before him.

"Well, give her a kiss and tell her you are not going away. General, write this man a dispensation from military service.

"Can it be possible? Who are you?" cried the amazed wood-cutter, throwing up his arms. "Why, the Czar himself



WOMAN'S LOVE FOR THE BRUTE. | down by it for years have, by their own efforts, outgrown it and risen to

To Have an Obedient Wife.

her presence till she is fully convinced

Never think you have anything to do

to make her happy, but that her hap-

piness is to flow from gratifying your

caprices; and when she has done all a

woman can do, be sure you do not ap-

pear gratified. Never take an interest

humoredly, on any of your peculiari-

ties, never join in the laugh, but frown

her into silence. If she has faults

and perhaps may be ignorant of), never

'What a good wife Mr. Smith has!"

wife!" "Any man would be happy

Physically Perfect Woman.

of your indifference.

and impertinent.

with such a wife!"

WW If Y is it that the surgeon who serves on the firing line to commanding positions.-O. S. Marden in Success. cially ignored? asks James Creelman, the veteran war correspondent who writes of "The Man in Unfform" in the Pllgrim. No man who has seen real fighting can deny that the military surgeon is usually the man face, and in an affectionate manner. who bears the brunt of duty in any be sure to look coldly upon her, and action. He must face the dangers of answer her with monosyllables. If she the fight without the excitement of

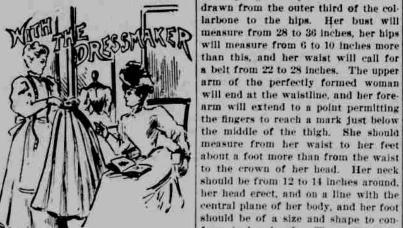
fighting. He saves life while the others destroy it. But who thrills at the sight of a military surgeon? One is driven to the conclusion that the social idolatry of the fighting man in uniform is founded on the innate admiration of women for brute force. Disguise it as you will, the fact remains that the man who kills is more attractive to the feminine heart than the man who saves. It is the unconscious tribute of weakness to strength. and the more terrible the strength the more ruthless its manifestations. the more irresistibly fascinating its heraldry becomes. The man in uniform may be an uncouth, graceless fellow, without a useful thought in his headstill, he represents that mysterious power chartered to slay.

One to destroy, is murder by the law; And gibbets keep the lifted hand in awe: To murder thousands, takes a specious

name. "War's glorious art," and gives immor

tal fame.

follow these directions, you may be It is an odd thing to reflect upon in certain of an obedient and heart-broken this glorious Christian Twentieth cenwife. tury; and yet, no nation can preserve its integrity or its institutions without the use of soldiers. The Chinese em at the average height of 5 feet 3 inchpire, with 400,000,000 inhabitants, was conquered in 1894 by little Japan. The es to 5 feet 7 inches. She will weigh soldier occupies almost the lowest rank in Chinese society; in Japan the soldropped from a point marked by the dier is the aristocrat. And it is true of all history, that when the soldiers of any nation ceased to be a special ob



## INVESTIGATING "WATER CURE"

How Such a Case Would Be Handled Before a Judge and Jury.

If the "water cure," as practiced in the Philippines, were investigated in open court by our judge, jury and witness system here at home, says the Ohio State Journal, we might expect a dialogue between the plaintiff and his attorney, who begins the conversation something like the following: "What is your name?"

"Jose Emilio de Songissimo."

(Of course the defendant would at once object to the witness having a name like this and the objection would See your wife as seldom as possible. be noted.)

If she is warm-hearted and cheerful in "What is your nationality?"

temper or if, after a day's or a week's "I am a Filipino."

absence, she meets you with a smiling "What is your business?"

"I am engaged in the insurgent business.

"How long have you worked at that forces back her tears, and is resolved trade?" to look cheerful, sit down and gape in

"About three years."

"Did you ever hear of the remedy known as the 'water cure?'

"Yes, sir."

"From whom?" "The United States soldiers,"

"Did they recommend it highly?"

"Very."

"For what maladies?"

in any of her pursuits; and if she asks "Insurgentitis,"

"Did they prevail on you to take the your advice, make her feel troublesome water cure? If she attempts to rally you good-

"Yes, sir; six or seven of them prevailed on me."

"Will you state plainly, Jose, to the jury just how this 'water cure' was (which, without doubt, she will have, administered?"

"The soldiers bound me securely and attempt with kindness to correct them, while five held me the sixth inserted a but continually obtrude upon her cars: hose nozzle into my mouth and turned on the water." 'How happy Mr. Smith is with his

"You mean to say, then, that this 'water cure' is an internal remedy?"

"Both internal and external, sir; you In company never seem to know you see, when my capacity was taxed to have a wife; treat all her remarks with his utmost the water overflowed and ran indifference, and be very affable and down my neck and over my person.' complacent to every other lady. If you "Why did you not protest?"

"I was too full for utterance." "Will you please state, for the benefit

of the jury, how much water you swallowed, as near as you can judge?" "I should say about two barrels."

A perfectly formed woman will stand (At this point the defendant would object and an expert specialist on the from 125 to 140 pounds. A plumb line capacity of the human stomach would be called on to testify.)

tip of her nose will fall at a point one "Will you kindly state to the jury what discomfort this caused you, if inch in front of her great toe. Her shoulders and her hips will strike a any?"

straight line up and down. Her waist "I experienced a moist sensation and will taper gradually to a size on a line a feeling of fullness that seemed to drawn from the outer third of the col- border on the point of explosion. This larbone to the hips. Her bust will was probably due to the fact that I measure from 28 to 36 inches, her hips am not accustomed to taking water in will measure from 6 to 10 inches more such large quantities."

"Did the soldiers hold any conversathan this, and her waist will call for a belt from 22 to 28 inches. The upper tion with you while they were adminarm of the perfectly formed woman istering the 'water cure?'"

"Yes, they asked me to tell all the secrets I knew."

"Did you do it?"

"Certainly; I told them all I knew, measure from her waist to her feet and more, too."

about a foot more than from the waist "Did the operation impair your thirst to the crown of her head. Her neck for water?"

"Yes, I drank enough water on that should be from 12 to 14 inches around. her head erect, and on a line with the occasion to last me all summer." central plane of her body, and her foot "That is all. Gall the next witness."

morrow to serve in the army. Our grand duke takes the young men away | ject of honor that nation perished. for so long."

ed the Czar.

"In the next house."

A good-looking lad presently entered,

"So you want to marry your pretty little neighbor?"

A shy nod was the reply.

And the Czar rose to leave the place.

"Pooh!" and Job threw it aside, "I don't see anything in that." "You been so long away that it's nattell ye what I get out of it.' "Well, I am listening." "Ye see this figure what's meant to

"But why should you suspect that it

"'Cause things ain't generally managed

is knowed to be one of his steady men.

"And what do you want me to do?"

"Well, if you want to sot eyes on the

man yer lookin' fer, now's yer chance,

and sich a one may not come again." "How do I know but it might be a

scheme to trap me?" eying his compan-ion for a moment. "You have not en-

tirely explained that meeting with the

"Phew! are you worryin' 'bout that

why, it's yer own affair, but let me tell

this man was quite as honest as the

do was to let myself in? ergy to his very frugal meal.

Hendricks, who had thrown himself Pace, wearily down in a chair, was regarding stout endgel, and, shifting it under his that even the careless Jebbs grew un- satisfaction: easy, and stopped the mechanical movements of his jaws for a few minutes to say:

"Whatcher eying me so fierce likeand just when I had good news to tell adopting an injured tone. When you left me the other night you

met a man who came in a conpe, you talked to him for a time on the corner, and then both went off in the carriage together.

Jebbs seemed at first startled by this tance. sudden charge flung at him, but it was only a moment before he recovered his equanimity.

so it was that worried you, ch?" "Yes, it looked like too much double dealing

Well, shelp me. I never see that party 'fore in my life, an' I was s'prised as you'd be when he tackled me on the cor-ner. He knew me, though!" with a grimace.

"How did he know you?"

Well, sir, he had it all down fine how was mixed up in a little affair some time ago-somethin' that would surely have landed me if they could ha' got He could ha' got enough-he proofs. wed me that in a juffy. When I found

that out I was mighty meek." "And you never saw him before?"

Never I can call to mind.

remained in silence for some min-his eyes on the floor, only raising hers now and then to cast a keen, inok at his visitor.

fell, what is this great news that you brought me?" he asked, after a 4.70

Wathin' more nor less than that I

about it," pursued Jebbs.

wrully. "Te see, it come about in way. Ever since we had that last a hangin' on to the heels of a ther who has gener'lly been one of his fat-hand men. He's a big Dutchman, s by the name of Browny on the Bow-, cause his hair is bright brown. Him and me has been great friends and emp-ied many a can together. I never could at him to talk of his work, or the map who employed him, but last night, when we was both feelin' kind o' proud, and him lookin's if he'd he more confortable on the feor an a-almin' in that direction. Into this joint, where we was makin' morely, come a little feller that passed

come a little feller that passed ne where we sot, and gin the man a jog, and passed on and out

ter deer, and so away, the my friend, elespy lik term in his pocket, and i emered bit of paper, an sleepy like, het, and fete bis pocket, and fetch up a bit of paper, and opens it here was only a few marks in that I could make out. nether him here, through, I

could scarcely-Not on yer on the finger of his right hand, and then And he returned with fresh en- having closed the box, restored it to it

From another corner he picked up visitor with such a malevolent look arm, said, with a certain air of grim

> "Well I am ready now if you are " Jebbs, who had been watching the preparations with attention, seemed to a little uneasy, and made no attempt to follow his companion, who now stood with his hand on the knob of the door

> leading to the stairs. "Well, I am waiting," said Hendricks. and, did he imagine it or not, but his companion seemed to be in no haste to go; in fact, he displayed a decided reluc-

"Come and do what you arranged t do," said Hendricks, grimly. "You will show me to that place you described. What is the matter with you? I declare, if it were not absurd, I should

imagine that you were frightened." "Me! Not on your life. Go on, and I'll foller." and so saying he blew out the candle, and, close behind Hendricks, they passed out of the house. Once they in the garden Jebbs took the lead.

"You jest keep in the rear o' me at he said; "it won't attract some space." so much attention."

Hendricks nodded, and so, walking almost half a block apart, they took a southerly direction, never meeting to speak, and, to all intents and purposes.

perfect strangers. It was after a long walk that Hen dricks saw his companion suddenly dar up an alley, and, after a moment's tation, he followed. "This is the joint." said Jebbs, who was standing by a closed window.

What, the Red For?"

"Jesso." "Well, what do you mean to do?" as he looked up at the tall building, which ve found our man." at one time must have been devoted to "Are you quite sure of that?" a little manufacturing, and had been transformed into a lodging house. From the oth-er side of the building he could hear the sound of noisy laughter. It was there the barroom was located, and, from the sound, it was evidently doing a rearing

trade. "Here is the room wheer they are to meet 'cording to them directions," said Jebbs, pointing to the window against which they leaned. "Too soon yet, but

which they leaned. "Toe soon yet, but that'll gin ye a chance to place yerself where he can see and hear everything." Hendricks took a tight hold of his cudgel, and waited to hear more. "Ye see, this is the third room in the basement, and that is what them fagers meant what I showed ye on the card." said Jebbs, in explanation. "You couldn't make arthin' card of 'am bet it cin's the make authin' out of 'em, but it ain't the

fust time that a meetin' was arranged for in the Red Fox." "But to get in is another thing," said Hendricks, looking at the black open-

Jebbs gave a low laugh and nudged his companion is a way meant to playful, saying at the same time:

"I am the Czar," said Alexander III. turning back from the threshold "the Czar of all the Russias in St. Petersburg! At Viborg I am only Grand Duke of Finland."

#### Conductor's Mistake.

Among the passengers on a Glenside accommodation train the other afternoon was a very stout old woman. She occupied an entire seat, says the Philadelphia Telepgraph, as she was so extensive of build that there was hardly room beside her for the package of hooks and eyes and the three hatpins she came down town to purchase. The woman looked perceptibly worried, and finally, when the train was nearing Elkins station, she leaned over and tapped the shoulder of a young man in the seat directly in front of her.

"Pardon me, young man," she said. "but will you tell me the name of the next station?"

"Elkins, ma'am "

"When we get there," she continued. won't you kindly help me off the train?

The young man chivalrously express ed his willingness to do the woman the requested service, but he looked so surprised that she hastened to make an explanation.

"I wouldn't ask your assistance, young man," she said, "but I tried to get off at Oak Lane, two stations back. and couldn't. You see, I am so stout that I am compelled to go down the platform steps backward. The conduc tor naw me, unfortunately, and, thinking from my position that I was just boarding the train, helped me on again."

#### Thought It Endlose.

Doctor-Nothing serious, I assure you. Your wife merely has a small ulcer on the end of her tongue.

Enpeck-Say, doctor, is that a fact? Doctor-Certainly, sir! I hope you don't think I would misrepresent the case?

Enpeck-No, but your discovery that her tongue really had an end seems too mood to be true. -

#### What He Meant.

House Agent-Have you any chil

House Hunter-Yes; but they very quiet and well behaved.

House Agent-Oh, but I mean have you any children living, ma'am?-Judge.

He Only Thought So. "All my illusions are gone." "Nonsense! That's one of them."



A leading tailor says there is to be any amount of silk strappings used on Thus, if a woman wears a six give she should also wear a three shoe wool gowns. A wool veiling just "created" by him has a skirt the lower New York News

half of which is trimmed with a heavy pattern, done in narrow stitched bands of taffeta, but in a darker shade than the yeiling. The blouse and upper part of the sleeves are trimmed in the same way, and the large collar is also

edged with silk bands. The batiste robe dresses continue to

be the rage, and in these days of bargains they are bought up as eagerly as if the sesson was not more than half spent. Embroidered batistes are lively, even at 37 cents and unward. Women who have ideas and taste buy a few vards of the embroidered batiste for trimming and the plain for the gown; this makes an inexpensive dress, and if properly made will look as well as a \$75 robe dress. The embroidery counters are filled to overflowing with genuine bargains in these batiste embrolderies, as well as the handsome white embroideries, at a "mere song." Those for undermuslins are especially cheap, while some rare treasures are to be found in the remnant boxes for quietly. This will make far more ima few stray pennies.

Folly of Oversensitivemes.

Oversensitive people are usually very fine-grained, highly organized, and intelligent, and, if they could overcome this weakness, would become capable, conscientious workers. This failingfor it is a failing, and a very serious one, too-is an exaggerated form of self-consciousness, which, while entire-ly different from egotism or conceit, causes self to loom up in such large proportions on the mental retina as to overshadow everything else. The victim of it feels that, wherever he goes, he is the center of observation, and that all eyes, all thoughts are focused upon him. He imagines that people are

criticising his movements and his person, and making fun at his expense: when, in reality, they are not thinking of him, and perhaps did not see him The surest way to conquer morbid sen sitiveness is to mingle with people as freely as possible, and, while appraising your own ability and intelligence at least as impartially as you would those of a friend or acquaintance, to

forget yourself. Unless you can be come unconscious of self, you will never either appear at your best or do the best of which you are capable. It re quires will power and an unbending determination to conquer this arch enemy to success, but what has been done tan be done, and many who were held

form to her hands. The well-proportioned woman wears a shoe one-half the size of the glove her hand calls for.

will end at the waistline, and her fore-

Children's Punishments.

It is never wise to punish a child too severely. No pudding at dinner, being sent out of the room, a curtailing of games, or some little treat omitted will be quite sufficient to show the child that it is in disgrace, and will

probably be a punishment which it will remember. Threatening or frightening naughty children is worse than useless, and never, never shut up a child,

especially one at all nervous, in a room or cupboard alone. The agonies and terrors, none the less horrible for being imaginary, that some children have suffered from punishments of this sort have spoilt their nerves for life, and in some cases have seriously undermined their health. To take no notice of a fault is often the best way of punishing a child. Children are all unconscious actors, and, having a strong sense of the dramatic, enjoy being naughty enough to raise a scene; but a wise mother will not argue with her child, or declaim, but will wait until the tantrums are over, and then talk

> pression than a scolding in the heat of temper.

# Observations

Girls who know say that when you one your appetite for chocolate fudges and want to write bad poetry, Cupid's There's a heap of money spent for way he parries the question is interouge, faise frizzes and eyebrow pencils

A woman who bought two b for 5 cents at a millinery stampede says that it's a shame the way these shopkeepers get a poor mortal's money away from ber.

Some misguided girls have an idea that to dress the hair artistically is to wind it up in a criss-cross mop that Post. ooks like a pile of jackstraws.

found a free lodging house with ne wood-sawing to do when it creeps inte the brain cells of the giddy, shallowminded damsel.

Abysainia is far in the lead of other the camera reproduces these with abcountries. All affairs of the Abyasinian some are looked after by the woman. The house with all its contents belongs to the wife, and if the Lusband offends her she turns him out until he Le Pitty mpentant and meter aminda

An influence that seems to have a very material effect upon the bass fishing in Lake Erie is that of the German carp. It is very generally believed among sportsmen and fishermen alike that the carp is to our native fish as the English sparrow to our birds, No one accuses the carp of having sufficient enterprise to eat other fish-even 'small fry-but it roots among the spawning beds and is believed to deyour eggs by the million.

I have heard this complaint about Lake Erie, at the St. Clair flats and along the bays of Wisconsin, showing that everywhere in the lake region the carp is held in the same disrepute. How much truth there is in the stories of his spawn eating would be hard to say, but it is certain that carp are to be found by thousands all about the great lakes. Some of them are monsters in size and all root about the banks of bay and bayou and the bottom of every shallow place.

Many small lakes have been entered, says a writer in Outing, and their waters turned from crystal to mud color by the rooting. There is no doubt that they disturb spawn beds and do an immense amount of harm, whether they are egg-lovers or not.

Office Hours of Reed.

Hon. Thomas B. Reed goes to Maine occasionally and occupies his summer home near Old Orchard Beach during the warm months. He has become so much in demand in New York that he is often asked if he intends to become going to "git yo' if yo' don't watch out." a permanent resident of the city. The

that should be invested in soap and griends, "that the financial importance of a New Yorker is gauged by the earliness with which he leaves the city or the lateness of his return; his rich are measured by the length of time he stays away."

"But how about yourself?" asked one. "Well, he said, slowly, "I am still keeping office hours." - Philadelphia

#### Photography in Business

The camera promises to become as indispensable in business affairs as the typewriter. It is now being used in the reproduction of documents, statistical tables and other papers whose duplication by hand would be laborious and expensive. In a very brief period solute correctness and with much labor saved.

About aix weeks after the wolf appears at a man's door, it looks to him as if it were holding a family rounion

The vanity microbe knows that it has Women's Rights in Abyssinis. In the matter of women's rights