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CHAPTER XXV.-(Continued.) "Where to, m'lord?"

"Palace Mansions."

"Yes, m'lord," murmured Charles to Barker, as they drove off, "that the old codger's done it at last. Palace Mansions is the order-that's where Mrs.

'Arris lives, you know." "Ay," muttered the coachman, in re-"And Mrs. 'Arris'll catch a Tartar in 'im, no mistake about that."

They generally takes care of themselves," said Charles, with a cynicism worthy of his estimable master.

Coming events, they say, cast their shadows before, and Barker, who had been giving a small share of attention to Charles and gossip, suddenly pulled in his horses with a jerk. "'Osses is inclined to be playful today," he re-

"I dessay they know it is the wrong time of year to be in town," returned Charles, superciliously.

"Likely enough. 'Osses is as sensible as Christians and sensibler than some," Barker rejoined.

As they got over the ground the "playfulness" of the horses did not subside; indeed, on the contrary, it increased, and to such an extent that by the time they turned into the Kensington High street they were racing along at express speed, with the evident intention of bolting as soon as they had a chance.

Barker, however, knew his work and did not give them the chance at all, and by the time they reached the corner of the road for which they were bound, they were going steadily again. Unfortunately, at that point, however, that terrible maker of mischief, the unforeseen, happened-a little child with a balloon as large as a man's head suddenly let go the string with which she had held it captive; the balloon soared away and dashed into the near horse's face; the child screamed at the loss of her toy; the horse reared and plunged. Barker administered a cut of his whip, and the next moment they were dashing down the road, and an elderly woman was lying helplessly in a dead faint just where the carriage had passed.

"My God! we are over some one," shouted Lord Aylmer. He was the kind of man who, on emergency, always appeals to the Deity, whom in all his ways of life he utterly and systematically ignores. "Let me get out," he cried.

Barker, who was pulling in the horses with might and main, had already checked their mad speed, and a moment or so later turned the horses, with a face like chalk and a dreadful fear knocking at his heart that the motionless figure lying in the road would never move again. He pulled up just where the crowd was gathering, and Lord Aylmer was out of the carriage before Charles could collect turning to Lord Aylmer. his scattered senses sufficiently to get off the box.

The crowd was gathering in numbers every moment, and was not only dense and strong, but curious. Lord Aylmer, however, without standing on ceremony, vigorously elbowed his way to the inner circle.

"Let me pass; stand aside. Policeman, I am Lord Aylmer-my horses were frightened by an infernal balloon that a child was carrying. Is she much hurt?"

"Dead faint at present, my lord," returned the policeman, who had the weman's head upon his knees. wish we could get some brandy and some water."

Lord Aylmer looked around for Charles. "Charles, get some brandy and water from somewhere or other. Be quick."

Just then a well-dressed young woman pushed her way through the crowd. "Let me pass," she urged. "Can't you see I've brought brandy? Stand back, you men. Have you never Do you seen an accident before? want to kill her? Stand back!"

She was a handsome woman, scarcely more than a girl; her hands and face and speech betokened that she was gently born; her fearless speech putting into words what was in her mind. had the effect of causing the crowd to shrink back a little. "Is she much hurt?" she asked.

"Pretty bad case, Miss," answered the policeman, who was trying to get a little brandy down the unconscious woman's throat.

"Hadn't you better get her into my house? She can't lie here," she went "Has any one gone for a doctor?" "I should get her orf to the 'orspital

at once Miss." the policeman replied. "Would you? Poor thing! I was standing at my win ow and saw it all. You oughtn't to let your coachman drive like that," she added, se-

verely, to Lord Aylmer. "I don't; but my horses were frightened by a child's balloon," he explained

"You oughtn't to have horses that are frightened at trifles," she resnonded. Illogically.

"I think we'd better get her orf at once," said the policeman, "she

gives no sign of coming round." "How can we take her? Shall 1? 1 have the carriage here ready, and the

horses are soher enough now." the best thing we can do," the other street. Madras, India." he muttered, the pound,

answered. "If your man'll give me a

hand we'll lift her in, in a minute." Eventually the woman was lifted into the victoria and the energetic young woman, having rushed back to her house for her hat, got in also, and supported her in as comfortable a position as was compatible with her insensible condition. Just as they were starting, a doctor arrived on the scene, took a hasty glance at the victim of the accident, and quietly got in, taking possession of the little back seat. "I'd better go-it's a bad business," he said to Lord Aylmer, realizing that he was the owner of the carriage.

"Yes-yes-we had better follow in a cab," Lord Aylmer said, turning to the policeman. "I suppose you'll see me through?"

"Oh, yes, my lord; I'm bound to do that," he answered.

Lord Aylmer was getting more and more nervous; he got into the cab looking white and scared, with his sinful old heart thumping against his ribs in a way that was very unusual with him. Not because his carriage has run over an elderly woman and it was likely to prove a fatal accident, not for that reason at all, but wholly and solely because, when Charles and the policeman had lifted the unconscious woman into the carriage, Lord Aylmer had picked up a letter which was lying face upward in the roadway just where she had lain. Short-sight edness was not one of Lord Avimer's signs of approaching years, and in an instant he had grasped that the letter was addressed to his nephew Dick, and before Charles and the policeman had got their burden safely into the victoria, he had thrust the letter into his pocket, with a sort of impious thanksgiving to Heaven that at last the girl he had been hunting down for many weeks was delivered into his hand.

For evidently this respectable elderly woman, dressed in decent black was Mrs. Harris' servant; and if it happened that she did not keep more than one-why this accident would put her altogether at his mercy.

He was positively trembling when they reached the St. George's Hospital, and Barbara was carried in, not unconscious now, for the slight folding of the carriage had brought her to again. Then there was a short time of imnatient waiting before the doctor came to them-that is, Lord Aylmer and the young lady who had come with the

"Broken leg," he said-"a bad thing at her time of day. And she is worrying about her mistress-wants to send and break it gently-isn't in good health just now. Will you go?" turning to the young lady.

"I? Oh, I'm so sorry, but I'm due at rehearsal now-I must go off at once. Couldn't you go?" she asked,



DEAD FAINT AT PRESENT. bring her back to see the old lady?" Lord Aylmer inquired, in a tone which was a delightful mixture of gallantry and fatherliness-a tone which had, bythe-bye, stood him in good stead many a time and oft.

"Yes, it would quiet her down a little I dare say," the house surgeon answered.

"Very well. Make me liable for any expenses, you know," Lord Avimer said, as he moved toward the door, "Can I see you into a cab, my dear lady?" he added to the actress.

"Thanks," she answered, "And may I have the honor of settling with the cabman?"

"Oh, no-very kind of you, but I always pay for myself. The Cornhillgood-by.

The cab rolled off, Lord Aylmer uncovered his handsome old head, smiled his most fascinating smile, and bowed with a profound air of respect, which was outte lost on the back of the retreating cab and its occupants. Then he got into his victoria and said, "Pat-

ace Mansions. "Yes, m' lord," answered Charles. woodenly; then remarked to Barker, as soon as he hopped up on the box-'Palace Mansions; even broken legs

don't put 'im orif." "Seems co," said Barker. Barker's nerves were all shaken with the accident, and he would have given anything he possessed for a nip of brandy; he was not therefore, very much inclined for conversation.

Meantime, as soon as they had reached Albert Cate, Lard Aylmar drew of the speech, it is not likely to be out the letter and looked at it with a used as a model in the secondary grin of satisfaction on his wicked obl schools. "H'm. Richard Harris, Esq. face. "Yes, my ford, I really think that's vo Meears, Brewster & Co., 10 Grave

Oh, so you have not cut the chains. Master Dick; you've not burnt your boats behind you. What a fool you are, to be sure!"

He opened the letter without the smallest scruple, tore the envelope into a thousand fragments and scattered to enjoy the tender words beginning-"My own dear Dick," ending "Your loving and faithful little wife, Doro-

"So her name is Dorothy," he mused. "Strange that they should always lay such stress on their love and their faithfulness! They're all alike. I wonder who the Esther is that she talks about. Barbara is evidently the old girl who came to grief just now. Well, Barbara is safely laid by the leg for the next few weeks. Really, it could not have fallen out better if one had planned it all. But I wonder who Esther is? 'Esther hasn't come yet,' she says, 'but may come at any moment,' I must find out about Esther.'

When they got to Palace Mansions, he saw Dorothy looking anxiously out of the window.

"On the watch," he said to himself, "And pretty uneasy, too."

The lovely face disappeared when the carriage drew up at the door, and the smart footman, in his glory of crimson and white, jumped down and opened the door for the handsome old gentleman, who got out and went into the building. He knocked at the door of No. 3, and Dorothy, being perfectly alone, had no choice but to go and open it.

"Am I speaking to Mrs. Harris?" said the suave, wicked old voice.

"Yes," answered Dorothy, wondering what he could possibly want with her. "May I come in? I am Lord Aylmer, I have something to tell you. don't be alarmed; it is nothing very

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bad. Pray don't alarm yourself."



T the mention of his name-and as the policeman and the doctor, the young lady who had gone to Barbara's aid, and the people at St. George's knew all about him, it would, he knew, be

useless to deceive Dorothy as to his identity, so he boldly gave his own name and trusted to the chance of her not knowing that he was anything to Dick-Dorothy started as if she had been shot, and at the hint of "something to tell." which instinct always tells us means bad news. she staggered back, and would probably have fallen if he had not caught

"I beg you will not frighten yourself like this," he cried. "Indeed, it is not so serious as that." "It is-" Her lips could not utter

Dick's name, her agony was so great; but her eyes spoke volumes in place of her tongue.

It never occurred to Lord Aylmer that she was thinking of Dick. He only thought how lovely she was in her distress, and wondered how he could best tell her the truth.

"The fact is," he said, blurting the truth out at last, "there has been an cident, and your old servant-"Barbara-is she hurt?" Dorothy

cried in dismay. "I am sorry to say that she is burt, More sorry to be obliged to own that it was my own carriage which did the mischief. But won't you let me come in and tell you all about it? It is such a shame to keep you standing there."

"Oh, yes, of course. Forgive me, but I-that is, you have startled me, and I forgot that we were still here. Come

(To be continued.)

QUEEN MURDERS ENGLISH.

Many Errors Made in Her Address to Paritament. If Corbett were alive he could still

criticise the English grammar of the speech prepared for the sovereign at the opening of parliament, says the London News. The queen adopts this speech at her council on the advice of her ministers and it is then given to parliament as "her own words." It is important to observe that the president of the council and the minister who last saw the queen at Osborne in reference to the speech read recently is also the head of the education department. Is there an inspector of schools under him who would pass a reference to expenditure which is beyond "former precedent"? A question in English grammar might be set in the schools from the following sentence: "A portion of the Afridi tribes have not yet accepted the terms offered to them, but elsewhere the operations have been brought to a successful close," In the reference to Crete wa read: "The difficulty of striving at un unanimous agreement upon some points has unduly protracted their deliberations (i. c., the deliberations of the powers), but I hope that these obstacles will before long be surmount-

ed." What obstacles? As "the difficulty" is the subject in this sentence, 'that obstacle" would appear to be the appropriate phrese. Observe also "an unanimous agreement." As in these days "unanimous" is not pronounced conantmous but younanimous, "an" before the word is an abomination in speech and in writing but lamely defended, like certain rhymes, as satisfying to the eye although offending the car. As for the literary style

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them to the winds, then settled down | Spaniards Would Die Before Surrendering to the Americans.

BLANCO URGED RESISTANCE.

Foral's Resolve to Die Before Surrender ing Received the Approval of the Captain General at Havana Secretary Alger Talks About Shafter's Latest Dispatches.

WASHINGTON, July 10 .- Secretary Alger, when asked at half past 1 o'clock if the fighting had been resumed at

Santiago, replied: "I do not think so." Secretary Alger based his statement upon a cablegram from General Shafter, which indicated that hostilities were near but had not actually opened up and might be deferred. He said that six batteries of Randolph's artillery had been unloaded and gotten to the front to-day and that only one of the lighters sent to General Shafter had reached its destination.

The secretary added that General Shafter's dispatch said the lighters were needed to unload provisions for the troops. In view of the published statements that the troops were on short rations. General Shafter was wired as to the proofs of the assertion. His telegram said that on one day only were any troops on half rations and on this day the only troops which suffered were a few at the furthest point from the supplies. The general says there was considerable complaint on account of lack of tobacco, but added that there was sufficient food, tobacco and other necessary supplies upon the ships to last at least two months, and they will be brought ashore at the carliest possible moment.

Everything he reported to be in a most satisfactory condition and he expected fighting might be resumed perhaps this afternoon or evening

It was expected at the navy department that Sampson's big guns would begin work again at noon to-day upon the fortifications at the entrance of Santiago harbor, though it cannot be learned that explicit notice of such a purpose has been received. The department's knowledge is confined to the fact that this was the plan of campaign arranged between Shafter and Sampson at their meeting three days

One of the most important results expected to follow Sampson's appearence in the harbor is the cutting off of the retreat of the Spanish forces to the interior of Cuba. Our troops now control the approaches to the town from the south to the northeast and can easily close the semicircle to the north. In the rear, to the west, however, there are high and rugged hills, across which the Spaniards might retreat toward Manzanillo. If Sampson's vessels enter the harbor and approach the town closely it is believed that their guns will close the line of retreat over these hills so effectively that were the Spaniards to attempt the passage they would go to certain

destruction. The Navy department is having creat difficulty in communicating by wire with Sampson, though it is not known whether this arises from bad cable service or from the distance at which Sampson lies from the cable station. All that came from him last night was a brief report as to the condition of the wrecks of the Spanish vessels.

A dispatch from Havana says that the Americans demanded the surrender of Santiago, fixing the terms of the truce until noon to-day.

General Toral, in refusing the proposition, said he was resolved to defend the town until death. General Blanco approved the firmness of General Toral's resolution.

THE HAWAIIAN COMMISSION.

The Men Who Will Study the Legisla-

tive Needs of Hawali Appointed. WASHINGTON, July 10. - President McKinley has appointed to be the five commissioners to study the legislative needs of the Hawaiian islands and report recommendations for legislation: senator Cullom of Illinois and Senator Morgan of Alabama, members of the Senate committee on foreign relations; Representative Hitt of Illinois, chairman of the House committee on foreign affairs; Sanford B. Dole, the president of Hawaii, and A. F. Judd, the chief justice of Hawaii.

LEOPOLD TO VISIT AMERICA. A Long Yachting Tour Planned by the

King of the Belgians. Loxpox, July 10.-The Pall Mall Gazetto this afternoon says that Ki Leopold of Belgium will start August on a long yachting cruiso, adding that he will make a considerable stay in the United States.

Now It Is to Be a Cuttery Trust. FREMONT, Ohio, July 10. - Another rust is forming which will, it is expoeted, take in the largest cutlery concerns in the country. J. H. Clauss, president of the Clauss Shear company of this place, is one of the prime movers in the combination.

A Private From Abileas Bying. CAMP MERSITY, San Francisco, July to .- Privated Wilson McAllister of Abtions, Kan., belonging to Company M. Twentieth Konsas, is dying of pneu-

CENSORED BLANCO'S REPORT.

Madrid Learned of Cervera's Disaster by Permission of Secretary Alger.

WASHINGTON, July 10. - Captain General Blanco had to appeal to the American secretary of War for permission to communicate Admiral Cervera's report of the destruction of his squadron to the government at Madrid.

While the English cable between Santiago and Kingston has not been cut, the operators in the Santiago office have abandoned their posts, thus cutting off all communications between Santiago and Madrid, except through the French line, which is subject to American consorship at Playa del Este. When Admiral Cervera wished to cable his official report of the destruction of his fleet to Captalu General Blanco, he turned it over to Colonel Allen, the signal officer in charge of the cable office at Playa del Este, who, acting under instructions from Washington, forwarded the report to Havana.

When Blanco wanted to forward Cervera's story of the affair to the home government at Madrid, he had only one line open to him, that from Havana to Key West. To use this he would have to have the permission of the cable censor at the Key West of fice. It probably will never be known how much pride it cost him to get this permission. He instructed the cable operator in Havana to ask the American censor at Key West if the admiral's message would be permitted to pass over the wire. Captain J. E. Sawyer, the censor, referred the inquiry to General Greely, chief signal officer, who consulted the secretary of war. It was decided that it would be a good thing to let the Spanish admiral's telegram to reach Madrid, and the permis sion for it to pass was given.

So it came that the cablegram giving Admiral Cervera's official version of his own capture and the destruction of the ships under his command reached his government after passing through two American censors and being submitted to the secretary of war.

SAMPSON CAN SAVE THREE. The Almirante Oquendo Is the Only Cruiser That Is Wholly Wrecked.

WASHINGTON, July 10. - Admiral Sampson has cabled the Navy department that in his opinion three of the Spanish vessels may be saved. The Colon is certainly in good condition, he reports, and there are reasonable hopes of saving the Maria Teresa and the Vizcaya.

The text of Admira! Sampson's dis patch is as follows: Preliminary report from board ordered to examine wrecks states that wrecking (appliances) should be gotten here immediately. Think no doubt about saving Vizcaya, Maria Teresa and Cristobal Colon if haste be made. Colon is much the most valuable, being in perfect order. Would recommend most perfect appliances be sent at once. -- Samp-

SPIES TO LEAVE CANADA.

Premier Laurier Asked Da Bose and Carranza to Hasten.

MONTEAL, July 10 .- Senor Du Boso and Lieutenant Carranza, formerly of the Spanish legation at Washington, have arranged for passage on the Dominion line steamer Ottoman, which will leave here Wednesday. It is stated that some interesting correspondance passed between Sir Wilfrid Laurier, the Canadian premier, and Senor Du Bose, in which the former made it known in courteous but unmistakable language that their departure would be acceptable.

MILES SAILS FOR CUBA.

The Yale and Columbia Carry 1,700 Men

to Eclaforce Shafter. CHARLESTON, S. C., July 10 .- The cruisers Yale and Columbia, having on beard the commanding general of the army, Nelson A. Miles, and staff, and the troops intended as reinforcement for General Shafter, got away at 3 o'clock this afternoon. General Miles

and staff are on the Yale. The Sixth Massachusetts is on the Yale and one battalion of the Sixth Illinois is on the Columbia. The expedition numbers 1,720 men. This leaves 4,000 men still in the city.

NEW YORKERS FOR HAWAII. Adjutant General Corbin Names the Regiment to Go to Honolulu.

WASHINGTON, July 10. - Adjutant General Corbin to-day telegraphed Major General Otis at San Francisco to send a regiment of infantry to Honolulu. General Corbin suggested in his telegram that the First regiment of New York volunteers be selected for this duty. Such a suggestion is equivalent to an order.

An American Built Cruiser.

PHILADELPHIA, fig. .- The Japan ese protected cruiser Kasagi sailed from Camp's ship yard at daylight this morning for her official trial trip, which will be made off the New Hamp shire coast, probably Tuesday. On her recent builders' trial, the Kasagi averaged twenty-three knots an hour, and is the fastest ship of her class in the world.

Washington Hears From Camaca. WASHINGTON, July 10. - The State department received a dispatch at 4:45 a'clock this morning from the consular agent at Cairo, stating that the fleet under Admiral Camara had re-entered the Sucz canal. The dispatch was a long one and gave many details which the department refuses to make public. The matter was referred to the Navy

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department.

they discover.

IS IN A QUANDARY.

Spain Doesn't Know What She Wants to

Do-Campos to Succeed Sagasta. MADRID. July 8 -The authorities kept the disaster to Admiral Cervera's squadron a secret as long as possible and even suppressed the extra editions

of the newspapers giving the facts. The official confirmation caused tremendous excitement, particularly in naval and military circles, where the government is accused of ordering Admiral Cervera (make a sortie, despite the known opposition of several naval

experts. The cabinet met last night and its resignation may be regarded as threatened.

The sequel will probably be a military cabinet under Marshal Martinez Campos.

There will also be, most likely, a suspension of the constitutional guarantees.

The military party favors a continuance of the war. Military men say they think Spain could never have expected naval victory, and that so long as she does not meet with disaster ashore she ought not to sue for peace. The Carlists are anxious for the war to continue.

The government views are believed to differ. Senor Sagasta, the premier. says he is awaiting details of recent events from official Spanish sources, adding that he will see the effect which the loss of the Spanish squadron has upon Spain before deciding upon his

Spain, it is alleged, is prepared for peace on the basis of the independence of Cuba and the Philippines, the United States occupying Porto Rico until the war indemnity is paid. Lieutenant General Correa, minister of war, says everything depends upon the course of events at Santiago.

El Nacional declares that the nation governed by idiots.

TO WAIT AT SANTIAGO.

Washington Officials Expect Linares to Surrender When Reinforcements Come Washington, July 7 .- It was learned from a high source that the war conference to-day was held to go over the situation at Santiago and that no determination to rush an attack on the city was reached. It is stated that the administration is reasonably well satisfied with the present situation and has no desire to precipitate affairs, there at a costly sacrifice of lives or ships. It is confidently believed that General Linares will surrender when he learns the American army is to be reinforced by 15,000 or 20,000 men. No information on this subject has been received from any quarter, but the officials believe that the Spanish general will see the utter hopelessness of the situation and yield to the inevitable. If, however, the Spaniards persist in needlessly sacrificing the lives of their own men and ours, all the strength of the army and navy will be hurled against them with a view to putting an end to the struggle in the shortest possible

MORE SAD NEWS FOR MADRID.

Admiral Villamil Dead and Captain La-

yaga Is a Suicide. MADRID, July 8 .- The government has received a telegram from Admiral Cervera announcing the death of Admiral Villamil, who was in command of the Spanish torpedo boat squadron at Santiago, and the suicide of Captain Lazaga, the commander of the Infanta

Maria Teresa. Captain Villamil was in command of the torpedo boat destroyers. It is said that Blanco wanted him placed in command of the whole fleet to supersede Cervera.

Sampson's Report on the Reina Mercedes. WASHINGTON, July 8. - Admiral Sampson has telegraphed the navy department as follows from his flagship the New York, off Santiago, dated yesterday: "About midnight last night the Reina Mercedes was seen by the Massachusetts, which vessel had a searchlight on the channel, coming out of the harbor of Santiago. The Massachuserts and Texas opened fire and the Spanish vessel was sunk opposite Estrella cove. I am inclined to think it was the intention to sink her in the trance. If so, this plan was defeated by the fire of the ships, as she lies ca the edge of the shore."

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