

CHAPTER XXIII Continued. Her words are followed by a scene

of emotion as Pauline bends over Juanita and, taking her in her arms, so faultless in its rounded contourthe one so fair, the other so dark, and yet sisters.

'Now I understand why I could not hate you-my sister. The good Virgin put it into my heart to let love reign instead of hatred. Do not grieve,

"It is misery-I feel as though I could never be happy again!" Pauline

The old senor has fallen back, and Dick with one glance sees that he has passed away.

"Can nothing be done to save her?" he says, feeling worse than ever before in his life

"It is useless, I know that I have received my death; a little while and 1 shall pass away from you. Sister, let me die in your arms."

Pauline only weeps as she gathers the small but beautiful figure close to her heart; she has searched for Beulah in many lands over the sea, and at last finds her, but oh, the terrible pain of this meeting that is but the precursor of the sad parting.

"I have some knowledge of medicine, let me see what can be done," says Colonel Bob, gravely.

The girl looks at him gratefully .but shakes her head.

"It would be useless: besides, when I remove my hand from the wound. life goes out. Give me a few more minutes to look into my sister's face: oh, how strange it all seems-how happy I am to know that there is some one who loves me, who will think of

before-Dick winks very hard to keep back the tears, while the valiant Colonel Bob, to hide his emotion, turns and makes a rush toward the little naturalist who has ventured to show his head and shoulders from under the table but who vanishes within his shell much after the manner of tortoise arawing in head and feet in times of danger, when he sees that fierce terror of New Mexico descending upon him.

As Colonel Bob, having furtively drawn the sleeve of his coat across his eves turns again he sees that all is over: Dick is leading the almost fainting Pauline from the room, followed by the hysterical Dora, while Antoinette Duval bends over the lovely motionless form of the girl who gave her own life to save that of the man she

CHAPTER XXIV.

Mrs. Richard Danvers.

Where the tumult of battle raged such a short time before a fearful silence reigns. Men go about with lanterns, searching for the wounded, who They have always accused men of car, enemy, giving Senor Lopez control, are carried into one of the mine rying letters they were sent to mail, has kept me awake on more than one has been to give us mental facility and have had experience in similar posihouses to receive attention from the and this time I've put my foot in it occasion, I can assure you," Pauline disciplined powers. The question is tions and be able to furnish the highcompany's doctor, who most certainly sure enough. Miss Pauline, I'm very says. earns his good salary on this night at sorry, and if I can redeem myself in "For that I beg your pardon, and as least. The dead are removed at once any way, you can't treat me too rough- sure you it will not happen again." and quietly buried, and they are not all on the side of the Mexicans, either. "We are all liable to errors of judg. band," declares Bob. it may be effectual.

sad scene he has just witnessed, but pocket-yes, here it is," and after hav- Ladies, summon your best nerves to when Dora has led her sobbing mis- ing lain all these weeks snugly repos- the surface for the occasion." tress away to her room, he hurries ing in a man's pocke', the message outside to see about certain things of the Prefect of Paris is drawn to forth, Mrs. Alexander having joined trade, from dressmaking to novel- penmanship, and possibly French or that should be done, and is just in the light of day. Bob holds it aloft them with her husband. time to see a figure come sprawling triumphantly. from the window, landing in a mud-

on you'll fight shy of women folks in the page. general and the charming Dora in particular after this "

sheriff laughs harshly.

"What! kill that audacious fellow who wants to make love to every pret- it." and Bob strikes his forehead with cided that Dora shall become Mrs. ty girl he sees? Impossible. Why, his hand. he's one of the kind that have nine lives-there, look at him limp away. Ta, ta, my little cock-of-the-walk; your plumage is badly soiled. Hunt up some partnership agreement." says the her always as faithful as the needle one you can bully."

"Exeunt Professor John," says Dick, and then begs his comrade to come and slaps his hand down upon his curtain on the quiet little scene, for the education of girls. out and lend a helping hand. A storm knee as he exclaims: is rapidly approaching, and before it man to be found should be provided with shelter, while the fallen must be placed in their last resting-place.

Thus the night passes away and morning comes at last. A new day has dawned for the great mine-peace. with honor, has been gained, and now that the scheming brain of the old senor is stilled forever it will doubtless last

that is earthly of poor Juanita must he said, "but the middle-aged and the be consigned to mother earth. No tears are shed over Senor Lopez, but the scene is very sad when the plain coffin, made on purpose, and containing Pauline's long lost sister, found only to leave her forever, is lowered into the grave already prepared.

The sorrowful task is done at last, fuse me. and then with a swoop the gale is upon them; rain falls heavily, the ar- will pour upon my head a deluge of tillery of Heaven crashes with detonations that shake the foundations of the mountains, while the flashes of elecric fire are terrifying.

It lasts nearly an hour, and a deluge falls that converts puny mountain brooks into raging torrents-then the tropical storm moves away over the high peaks that inclose the valley, and again silence broods over the scene of the late struggle.

heart for scenes of pleasure, but after mature consultation it is thought best

ed at the mine. They will not make up. the occasion one of merriment-Pauline's nerves have been too recently Then, with a twitching at the corners and cruelly wounded for that, but it is of his mouth, he continues: "The better that Dick may be recognized as proposition to draw this Danvers into

the controlling spirit of the mine. a combination would seem very rea-They sit together in a room of Al- sonable, only for the fact that I'm exander's house talking over the situa- afraid he has already committed himtion. Dick, it may be noticed, has self, and is bound hand and foot, kisses her fondly, her tears fatting like he starts to speak and by accident is Dora giggles. Miss Pauline looks interrupted; it does not take much to amazed. interrupt him at present to all appear-

> Somehow the conversation takes a retrospective turn, and Pauline, in a tinues the fair inquisitor, almost rereflective way, says:

"It has always appeared strange to me that the Prefect of Paris, with all Years ago my name became Dick Denit is a sweet pleasure to die for you the force at his command, was unable ver among the cowboys, and I have every assurance of success, but it I learned this, and my chum Bobwound up in a failure."

his breath like a man who has sud- to find Richard Danvers, and he denly remembered something that meant to do it, though he changed his quite astonishes him

"I saw a man running after the train -he had just missed it-he waved comrade, and while he squeezes it dealoft a small packet that looked like a clares vehemently that it would have ger from the prefect."

your mercy-I am the one to blame-I, minated about as well as it could. alone," he says.

"You?" gasps Dick. night, I received it, paid for it-sixteen francs, eight centimes."

to Miss Pauline in the morning and about to marry will be the same Dick? recover my advances."

jacket in the morning, and to-day is make sure of the mine between us. the first time I have had that same The worry lest Mr. Danvers might Pauline weeps more violently than coat on since the day we left Havre, change his mind and desert to the

Pauline looks toward Dick in des-"Can't you manage to control him?" she asks, when to her surprise Dick laughs loudly, too. "Bob, behave yourself, sir. Finish reading the prefect's message, and then support me, sir, for I believe I will have to faint."

Pretty Blouse

Shawl Collar-Worn Over a Little Chemisette.

This pretty blouse of light green "You are Richard Danvers?" con

"I did not purposely deceive you to supply me with any information fallen into the habit of using it, exconcerning Beulah. He seemed confi- cept when signing legal documents. I dent that he knew where Antoinette knew that both you and the senor here Duval might be found, and gave me were hunting for me-after I met you bless his dear innocent old soul!-told Bob pricks up his ears-he holds me that he had been hired by Lopez mind afterward."

This admonition or warning gives

Bob a little backbone, and he sobers

"I beg your pardon, Miss Pauline."

"Is it possible?" she almost gasps.

Dick bows his head.

proachfully.

The colonel grasps the hand of his letter. Perhaps that was a messen- to be something ten times as grave as this that would make him feel that The sheriff of Secora county stands any wrong had been put upon himthat his words have only been chaff. "Miss Pauline, I throw myself upon and that after all the affair has ter-

"And you, Pauline-do you forgive Miss Westerly has been surprised she can hardly comprehend it as yet; her name will be Danvers then, in-"I thrust the little packet into my stead of Denver; but what difference pocket, fully intending to hand it over does it make when the man she is



BOB READS THE PREFECT'S MESSAGE

It has been a sad night for El Dorado, ment, Bob. I shall not be too hard "Well, don't you?" demands Dora but the lesson has been so severe that on you. One question-have you the quickly. message yet?"

Dick has been deeply affected by the "I feel something crackle in my

hole with a splash, while the voice of envelope, and takes out the inclosure clares Dora. it has contained, unfolds this latter "Hope that will teach you a lesson, and holds it up so that the daylight you imp of London assurance-I reck- entering at a window may fall upon the colonel roars with laughter.

"You've killed him, my dear fellow," ita is the lost Beulah. We have also soning that there was no need of mak-

our position sure by some sort of much like a companion and sister to amazement Bob Harlan gives a shout nonnced; and here we must drop the

bursts upon the valley every wounded | ment'-what d'ye think of that, Dick? | words created Mrs. Richard Danvers. " and here another fit of laugh- line of New York. ter almost chokes him.

"He means to be an exemplary hus-

"I reckon you can trust me. There comes the good padre up the street.

He breaks open the end of the blue to make the proper responses," de- sequence and irresponsibility, and college graduate who should apply for

"You?" exclaims Miss Pauline Dora is confused with blushes, while progress.

"You see." he says, "we made up "Antoinette Duval is with Senor our minds this morning, at least I did, ties, as part of the equipment for The mother who advertised was lay-Lopez. His supposed daughter Juan- and Dora was convinced by my reaness-we couldn't do better than fol-"Great Heaven, and I never dreamed low such a good example, so we de-Bob Harlan this A. M."

"Proceed, my dear colonel-if we The surprise over, Pauline conthe magician in clerical robes, and "Good! good! 'A partnership agree- armed with authority, has by a few

TROUBLES OF A PHYSICIAN.

"Young, strong people don't give me A mournful task awaits them-all enough symptoms when they are ill," aged give me too many. Thinking aged and the middle-aged discover a symptom in every muscle, in every organ, in every limb. Thus they con-

> symptoms like this: Well, doctor, I'm miserable all

over. Feverish one minute, freezing the next. I've a gnawing pain in my hip and side and back, and an all be a mathematical genius. Outside the eliminate egoism. Women at home gone sensation in the stomach, with a college walls the graduate can develor left eye. I have a queer taste in my mouth, a dizziness when I stoop over, and a dull ache up and down the ness. I cough a lot, my throat's sore, and I've the earache. Ametite's fair, but not what it should be. I have a never propose to the other kind,—
feeling of lassitude, and Pm very Chicago Daily News.

A physician was talking about his weak. These are only a few of my main symptoms. To proceed-,' etc. -St. Louis Globe-Democrat.

> Development Outside of College. develop very slowly and do not immed'tely find their vocation. The honor pigeon-holes, men at the university must possess adapte ability for the mastery of all or near- as a home-maker, as a home daughter, chosen English. ly all the studies in the curriculum, or later as a wife, or a mother, she Deficiency in mathematics may re- requires not so much an enormous adept in the languages. Greek may be to promote common sense, self-rea suitable block to the youth who may straint and genuine kindness, and to precious to be ruthlessly sacrificed.

Not If They Know It. Barker-I wonder why most maried women are afraid of their hus-



which it is inclosed.

written out in full:

left entirely out.

passed.

est in them.

July the fifteenth.

tion Thereon.

Down in the left-hand corner is

Master William Thomas Carlyle.

or the words, "At home on rainy

days," may be used in the lower left-

hand corner, and the date of birth

girl's cards; it is not always permis-

sible to have so definite a reminder

of her birth-date, after years have

These cards are attached by tiny

ribbon bows at the top and center of

the larger card, which should always

be engraved with the names of both

father and mother. The address is

added, written out in full. For a boy

pink ribbon and blue for the girl

Owned by Aristocracy

the west end of London are owned

by men or women in society, who

either keep them under assumed

names or have a large financial inter-

Three out of every fifteen shops in

The latter is most used for baby

One thousand nine hundred and six

messaline is made with a tuck on each the boy has cards about two and side of the front, which is finished one-fourth inches in length by one with a shawl collar and little motiffs and one-eighth inches in width. His

The waistcoat or plastron is of center, either early English, plain white silk embroidered at the top,

Dick turns to the fair girl. "That message arrived during the the little deception?" he gently asks.

"Freely and fully, in fact, there is "You forgot it," almost shrieks Dora. nothing to forgive, Dick. You have "I changed my coat for a rough pea- had your little fun, and on my part I



away in the lumber room of the mind? in fault. I suppose teachers will take exception to the statement, but I am more of the curriculum. We are all aware vertiser's "Wanted:"

OF LATE MODE.

this in the best way.

your work in life? It depends, of course, somewhat on

these forceful and indispensable quali- these mysteries too.

er's desires. They are always ready shows where the wind blows to.

hold back from the pace that kills.

If a girl is to spend her maturity

BY MARGARET E. SANGSTER. | Far be it from me to blame either (Copyright, 1966, by Joseph B. Bowles.) girls or their preceptors for the great Is there such a thing as useless and foolish waste that is forever takknowledge, knowledge which is in ing place in matters educational. itself rubbish, only fit to be stowed Primarily parents are the people most

The other day an advertisement apand more inclined to think that a peared in a widely read weekly pegreat deal that they laboriously teach, riodical, which ran to the following and schoolgirls laboriously learn, effect. The words are not precisely might as well be dropped wholly out quoted, but here is the gist of the ad-

that what remains to us a few years "To take entire charge of a little after we have finished our school edu- girl of ten, a young woman who is a cation is, so far as facts are concerned, college graduate. She must be fond excessively small. What the schools of children, in robust health, and behave done, if they have wrought well, tween the ages of 25 and 30. Must pertinent whether for girls they do est references. She must be familiar with modern methods of teaching, and What ought you, a schoolgirl, to besides the usual branches, her work acquire in order to be prepared for will include music, drawing and nature study."

The mother of the little maid of ten your future. If you are to earn your evidently expected that her child was bread by the toil of hands or brain, to tackle music, drawing and nature you must be taught application, con- study in addition to the "usual centration, perseverance and punctu- branches." These, at a rough guess, ality. Without these good working may have been history, geography A chorus of exclamations break qualities, no girl will succeed in any English grammar, spelling, reading, writing. Woman's great weakness lies German. I was surprised that so "I know I shall be stupid and forget in the direction of inattention, incon- grasping a mother did not require the these defects hamper her in the world the vacancy as her daughter's govof business and fatally retard her erness to be an accomplished cook and an adept in manual training, so that The schools should cultivate in girls her child might receive initiation in

fighting the world-battle. If arith- ing out too wide a plan for her daughmetic, algebra and geometry, or Lat- ter, and was demanding an impossisays Dick, whereat the New Mexican discovered.—Richard Danvers. He ing two separate jobs out of the busi- in and French, or physics and eco- bility of some unfortunate young nomics are best calculated to promote woman of 25. The average age of the this sort of mental and moral growth, college alumna is 22. To have gone by all means let our young girls study over the work prescribed in an orthem But one young girl should not dinary college course, likewise to have have to spend all her time and all her attained distinction enough in music can find him we may be able to make gratulates the girl who has been so strength during the golden years of and art to instruct in these exacting school and college work in mastering departments, and to have learned the them all. For the practical purposes alphabet of nature study would be girl from New York, when to her to the pole. Then the padre is an. of life the schools attempt too much feats of herculean achievement that and crowd it into too short a time, in would send a giri to a sanitarium or her grave. To look for robust health after all that effort would be absurd, Schoolgirls are naturally aspiring and as for the experience in actual and ambitious. They respond swiftly teaching, where would be the time for Fine, clever idea, eh? My dear lady, and relegated to the past Miss Pau to the spur of an enthusiastic teach- it? The advertisement is a straw that

> to undertake anything that is sug- Girls, what you need and must have, gested and to work until the point of at any cost, is a good working knowlexhaustion. I am not speaking of the edge of reading, writing and arithidle or the inert or the apathetic type metic; some love for and acquaintance of girlhood, but of girlhood in the with good literature, and this springs mass, when I assert that it does not from good reading; the accuracy and clearness which come of writing a Boys cannot easily be pressed be- good hand, and the honesty which is yond a certain mark. Girls see the the product of fair mindedness and mark and try to go beyond it. And well balanced arithmetic. Don't be in so doing they often accumulate a lot persuaded to spend precious hours on The slow boy in school often gives of useless and worthless knowledge studying sciences that do not allure about their health all the time, study- an excellent account of himself in the which never does them or anyone else you, and annexing to memory vocabuing their condition all the time, the fierce competitions of after life, says a particle of good, and which might laries which signify nothing to you. the Philadelphia Ledger. Some youths better be let alone, especially as it But for pity's sake learn to spell, learn gathers dust and rust in forgotten to write a decent, straightforward letter, and learn to converse not only fluently, but correctly, in clear, well-

> > Avoid useless learning. Life is too full to be handicapped by needless imduce the rank of the student who is an amount of erudition as whatever tends pedimenta. Time is too brief to be mortgaged to ambition. Health is too

One or two subjects thoroughly asmust be altruistic. Then, too, a girl similated are worth far more to culshooting, neuralgic headache over the along chosen lines and find his sphere. Who would shine in the home and hold ture than a mere smattering of a her own in society must have culture dozen, and the effect of the first on and charm. If the schools help to character is much more enduring than form her character on strong and sim- of the second. I wish I could convince ple lines and to give her courage as every schoolgirl that thoroughness in well as sweetness, they do more for little is a higher virtue than diffuseher than if they enable her to pass ness spread loosely over large things. puzzling examinations on multiform Attempt less and gain more should be

The Country's Capital.

n and Matters in Washington-Proctor of Vermont Largest Individual Owner and Dealer in Marble and Granite-Believes in Future of Washington-Senator from Iowa Held to a Policy of Pacification and Compromise--"Getting Even."



WASHINGTON .- One of the old men of the senate who does not rush off immediately upon the adjournment of congress is Senator field Proctor, of Vermont. The reason he does not join the early exodus after congress adjourns is that he has some of his principal business interests in this city. No one knows how wealthy Mr. Proctor is, as he is as mum as a piece of his own granite or marble regarding his personal affairs, but by inheritance and by his own acquisition he is the largest individual owner and dealer in marble and granite in the world. He is very fond of these two stones, and he is gradually putting them into buildings of considerable consequence here in Washington. He owns many granite and marble front houses and has just completed a very large apartment house with glistening white marble front.

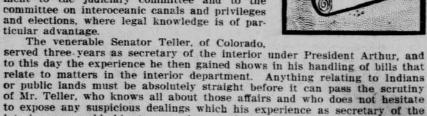
Like some of his wealthy colleagues and predecessors in the senate, Mr. Proctor has had a good deal of faith in the future of Washington and has made many investments which are turning out exceedingly profitable. As he grows older he seems to take a deeper interest in these real estate deals and much of his time, even in hot weather. is spent at the national capital ready to turn an honest penny, and a good many millions of them, in real estate transactions.

Mr. Proctor is 75 years of age, and anyone to hear his basso profundo voice booming in the senate chamber would suppose it came from a vigorous young man of 30 or 40. He has a tremendously deep bass voice and in the village choir at home always carried the bass part in hymns and choruses with great effect. The senator is very much pleased over the nomination of his son for governor of Vermont, and it looks as though the latter might follow in the footsteps of his illustrious parent.

MEN OF EXPERIENCE IN ADMINISTRATIVE BRANCH.

It is regarded as something of an advantage for a man in the senate or house to have had experience in the administrative branch of the government. The senate is right well off in this regard, as there are at present five excabinet officers in that body, men who have had to do with the administration of government and whose practical knowledge of executive affairs is of great benefit in the consideration of legislation. Probably the most effective of these excabinet officers is Senator Knox, who was attorney general under the late President Mc-Kinley and under President Roosevelt. His experience in that office secured him an appointment to the judiciary committee and to the committee on interoceanic canals and privileges and elections, where legal knowledge is of particular advantage.

The venerable Senator Teller, of Colorado,



interior may enable him to unearth. There are three ex-secretaries of war in the senate, all of them men of ability and who are especially qualified to discuss legislation relating to the There is Senator Proctor, who served as secretary of war under Harrison, and Senator Elkins, who succeeded him at the war department under the same administration. Then there is Senator Alger, of Michigan, who was President McKinley's secretary of war all during the trouble with Spain. When technical questions affecting the war department arise, these three gentlemen are called upon to explain them and they are usually found possessed of very illuminating information.

SENATOR ALLISON AND SOBRIQUET OF "PUSSY-FOOT."



A spirit of sadness spread over the senate in the closing hours of the last session, because of the absence of William Boyd Allison, the venerable senator from lowa, and for 33 years a member of the senate. This veteran statesman has broken very much in the past year, and it was with the deepest sorrow that his colleagues saw him compelled to yield the leadership on appropriation bills to another. For many, many years Mr. Allison has been chairman of the senate committee on appropriations, and in that position has directed the distribution of billions of dollars. No man in the senate understood the construction of appropriation bills and what

were necessary expenditures so well as he. It is feared that the final break has come and that Mr. Allison will never again be able to assume the leadership that he has held in the past. He was 77 years of age last March and

it is not reasonable to suppose that at that advanced age he can hope to recover sufficiently to undertake as heavy work as he has in the past. Allison was known as the great pacificator. His has always been a policy of compromise and peacemaking. He has gone about the advancement of this principle in the most suave and quiet manner, and it is said that no man in either branch of congress has ever been able to accomplish so much in such a quiet way. He years and years ago earned the sobriquet of

THE PUBLIC PRINTER RECEIVES A BLACK EYE.

Subordinates in government offices in Washington have a way of getting even with superiors whom they do not like. With every appearance of faithful performance of their work, they can still so retard it and mix it up as to show a mighty poor record for their chief and at the same time make it very difficult for their own movements to be discovered. The latest exhibition of this method of "getting even" was in the case of Public Printer Stillings and occurred on the last day of congress. Since Stillings was brought to Washington and put at the head of public printing office, there has been great friction between him and the subordinates in that establishment. He was given his position on the promise of inaugurating great reforms and most of his time has been spent in reorganizing the force and in fighting with various



cliques and organizations within the office In trying to put his reform into operation Mr. Stillings has made lots of enemies, so that on the last day and night of the session of congress the latter were able to give the public printer a black eye. The printing of appropriation bills and other measures during the last hours of congress had hitherto been kept right up to the hour. On this occasion, however, the printing office fell back and the most unaccountable errors were made and ensued that kept congress in session at least 12 hours longer than would have been necessary under the old regime. The president was also subject to annoyance by being kept at the capitol several hours beyond the time usually necessary to sign bills.

It is pretty well understood that all this confusion, errors and delay were worked for the purpose of reflecting upon Public Printer Stillings. An investigation has been ordered by the senate, but it is surmised that the investigators will have a hard time running down the offenders in this case. The printers who caused delay are blaming the latter on bad copy and mistakes of enrolling clerks in the house and senate.

ATTRACTIONS OF THE "GREAT FALLS OF THE POTOMAC."



It is not generally known that the largest falls east of Niagara are located in the Potomac river, some 16 miles northwest of Washington. They are called the "Great Falls of the Potobut have achieved in all their history little more than local fame and a very small percentage even of the inhabitants of Washinghave ever witnessed their beauty. The progressive trolley, however, is now to bring this natural wonder within the view of residents and visitors in Washington. A line has been constructed to the point where the noble Potomac in a succession of rapids and falls tumbles over good sized hill and makes one of the most attractive natural bits of scenery in the east.

Hitherto the Great Falls has been known principally on account of the good fishing in their vicinity. The small mouthed Potomac black bass is found here in large quantities and

neighboring pools were the favorite fishing grounds of some of the noted statesmen of the past. Ex-President Cleveland in his eight years' residence in Washington was a frequent visitor in this neighborhood, and with his old fishing crony, former Commissioner of Internal Revenue Miller, a gentleman of equal physical weight and breadth to Mr. Cleveland, took many a string of fine bass from these waters.

The quietude of this section now promises to be broken, and what we The quietude of this section now promises to be broken, and what were rather exclusive fishing waters, because there was trouble in reaching them, will become open to the whole public. This is to be accomplished by the ubiquitous trolley line and a pleasure resort that will be established at its terminus overlooking the falls. The congressmen and other statesmen who love the vicinity of Great Falls for its natural beauty and distance from the public half regret the enterprise of their colleague, Senator Elkins, of West Virginia, who has built this trolley line from the capital to the Potomac