

D. JAMES OLIVER CURWOOD HUISTRATIONS & MACHUS G.KETTNER



Franklin Pierce, president of Was it possible that the discovery of He approached and listened. Each

## (CHAPTER VIII.-Continued.)

"Strang-the king!" cried the old man, clutching the knob of his cane Marion away with him if it was only twitching in agony. She stood with

"When? When did she go?"

The woman had come forward, her castle he paused to listen. For the choking, tearless way, waiting for him hands trembling, her lips quivering, first time it occurred to Nathaniel to speak. Something in the terror of her face that the prophet might have assem- "Forgive me," he spoke gently. sent the hot blood from Nathaniel's bled some of his fighters to the de- have come-for-Marion." He felt

she said. The king sent Obadiah feel the vengeance of the outraged anguish as he came nearer to her. Price for her! O, my God!" she men of the mainland. But he heard "I want Marion," he repeated. "My shricked suddenly, clutching at her no voices ahead of him. There were God, won't you tell me-?" breast. Tell me-what are they doing no fires to betray the approach of She struggled to calm herself as he

"Shut up!" snarled the old man a dog gave warning of his stealthy That's is Strang's business. She has advance. Soon he could make out a crushed his hands against her bosom gone to Strang." With an effort he light in the king's house. A few steps and a softer look came into her eyes; straightened himself until his tower- more and he saw that the door was her voice was low and sweet, as it ing form rose half a head above Na- open, as it had been on his first visit had been the morning he asked for thaniel. "She has gone to the king." to the castle. He dodged swiftly from Strang. As she saw the despair deephe repeated. "Tell Strang that she bush to bush, darted under the win- ening in the man's face a great pity will wive him tonight, as she has dow through which he had seen Ma- swept over her and she stretched out

self a terrible cry burst from Na. pistol cocked in his hand. thaniel's lips. He flung open the door and stood for an instant with his but not a sound came to his ears ex- that you loved her, as I love Strang, white face turned back.

"She went to the castle-an hour ago?" he cried.

The last words followed him as he sped out into the night. As swiftly as a wolf he raced across the clearing to the trail that led down to St. James. Something seemed to have burst in his brain; something that was not blood, but fire, seemed to burn in his veins-a mad desire to reach Strang. to grip him by the throat, to mete out to him the vengeance of a fiend instead of that of a man. He was too late to save Marion! His brain reeled with the thought. Too late-too latetoo late. He panted the words. They came with every gasp for breath. Too late! Too late! His heart pumped his head. It disclosed the parrow like an engine as he strained to keep up his speed. He passed a man and ing into another room. The match better knowledge of bird habits, more a boy hurrying with their rifles to St. James and made no answer to another. On a little table just outside their shout; a galloping horse forged the door was a half burned candle and ahead of him and he tried to keep up with it; and then, at the top of the be went in. long hill that sloped down to the stronghold of the Mormon kingdom entered a woman's room, redolent something seemed to sweep his legs with the perfume of flowers. On one

His eyes rested on the beacon above deserted-Marion was gone! He ran the prophet's home, burning like a ball back into the great room, no longer matic, don't you? of fire over the black canopy of tree trying to still the sound of his foottops. Marion was there! He rose to steps, and opened a second door. The pneumatic. I thought it was called hotel, whose name should have been en them. his feet again and went on reason and same silence greeted him, the same rheumatic because it's swelled.

disorder, the same evidence that the wives and children of the Mormon king had fled. He went into a third room-and then a fourth.

For an instant he paused at the threshold of this fourth chamber. A light was burning in the room at the end of the hall. The door was closed with the exception of an inch or two. "Marion!" he called softly, and listened intently.

He went on when there was no re-

ply. and pushed open the door. A candle was burning on a stand in front of a mirror. The room was as empty as the others. But there was no disorder here. The bed was unused, the garments in the open closet had not been disarranged. On the floor beside the bed was a pair of shoes and as Nathaniel saw them his heart seemed to leap to his throat and stifled the cry that was on his lips. He took one of them in his hand, his whole being throbbing with excitment. It was Marion's shoeincrusted with mud and torn as he had seen it in the forest. With her name falling from his lips in a plead ing cry he now searched the room and on the stand in front of the mirror he found a lilac colored ribbon, soiled and crumpled. It was Marion's ribbon-the one he had seen last in her hair, and he crushed it to his lips as he ran back into the great room, calling out her name again and again in the torture of helplessness that now possessed him. Mechanically, rather than with rea

son, he went to the fifth and last door. His candle had become extinguished in his haste and after he had opened the door he stopped at the threshold of the black hall to light it again. There was a moment's pause as he searched his pockets for a match, a silence in which he listened as he searched, and suddenly as he was about to strike the sulphur tipped splint there came to his ears a sound that held him chained to the spot. It was the sobbing of a woman; or was it :. child? In a moment he knew that it was a woman; and then the sobbing ceased.

There was nothing but darkness ahead of him; no ray of light shone under the door; the chamber itself was in utter gloom. As quietly as returning to him-telling possible he relighted his candle. A Nathaniel Phon of the sloop Tylands serielly on Beaver Island, of strength and generalship and not deeper, and there were two doors at the same land, of madness. As he picked his way the end instead of one. Through which him that he was about to play against glance assured him that this hall was more slowly and cautiously down the of these doors had come the sound of slope a new hope flashed upon him. sobbing he had heard?

sees the frightened face of a young the approach of the mainlanders had moment added to his excitement, his served to save Marion? In the ex fears, his hopes, but at last he citement that followed the calling of opened the door on the left. The citement that followed the calling of the life. The most of the Mormons to arms and the preparations for the defense would Strang. The master of the kingdom, the bulwark of his people, waste priceless time in carrying out the purpose for time in carrying out the purpose for its beating as he placed his hand on Nat's grievance and promises to the guilty. Nat rescues Nell, who publicly whitped, and the king be sheriff. Arbor Croche, to purwhich he had sent for Marion? Hardly the latch, lifted it, and pulled the when there came another thought to saw a woman. She had turned when there came another thought to quench it. Why had the king sent for Marion on this particular night and at this late hour? Why, unless at dark for Crocke, the approach of his enemies he had the king's castle the preceding day and at this late hour? Why, unless at the king's castle the preceding day have more clearly it appears that the king's castle the preceding day have more clearly it appears that the feared that he might lose his beautiful face he had seen at the king's castle the preceding day have more clearly it appears that the time of the first line of the feared that he might lose his beautiful face he had seen at the king's castle the preceding day have more clearly it appears that the time of the first line of the feared that he might lose his beautiful face he had seen at the king's castle the preceding day have more clearly two thoursands when there came another thought to game. They have promised, as recently an accuracy. They have promised, as recently an accuracy the first limits of the development grant.

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They have promised, as recently begs him to leave the island, ful victim, and in his overmastering sent him to find the prophet, who had passion had called her to him even as his people assembled in defense of his kingdom.

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Sourcerned, is money. The best horses sent him to find the prophet, who had placed her gentle hand on Marion's head as he had looked through the window. There was no fear in her ment department with extra doles is There was desperate coolness in Na- eyes as she saw Nathaniel. Some thaniel's approach now. Whatever had thing more terrible than that shone happened he would do what Neil had in their glorious depths as she rose threatened to do-kill Strang. And to her feet and stood before him, her whatever had happened he would take face lined with grief, her mouth her dead body that he carried in his clenched hands, her bosom rising and "Gone!" exclaimed Nathaniel. For arms. To do these things he needed falling in the passion of the storm an instant his heart bounded with de strength. He advanced more slowly within her; and she sobbed even as light. Marion was on her way to the and drew deeper and deeper drafts of Nathaniel paused there, unmanned in tryst! He sprang back to the door, air into his exhausted lungs. At the this sudden presence of a distress edge of the grove surrounding the greater than his own; sobbed in a

fense of his harem, which he knew that he had no reason to lie to this "They sent for her an hour ago," would be one of the first places to woman. His face betrayed his own

the enemy. Not even the barking of spoke the girl's name.

"Marion is not here," she said. She rion, leaped lightly up the broad steps her arms to him with an aching cry, In sedte of his effort to control him. and sprang into the great room, his "Marion is gone-gone-gone," she moaned, "and you must go, too! O, The room was empty. He listened, I know you love her-she told me cept the rustling of a curtain in the my king! We have both lost-lostbreeze. The huge lamp over the ta- and you must go-as-I-shall-go!" ble was burning dimly. The five doors | She turned away from him with a cry "Yes, to the castle-with Obadiah leading from the room were tightly so heart-breaking in its pain that Naclosed. Nathaniel held his breath, thaniel felt himself trembling to the tried to still the tumultuous pounding soul. In another instant she had of his heart as he waited for a sound faced him again, fighting back a of life-a step beyond those doors, a strange calm into her face.

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woman's voice, a child's cry. But

none came. The stillness of desertion

hovered about him. He went to one

of the five doors. It was not locked.

He opened it silently, with the cau-

tion of a thief, and there loomed be-

"Hello!" he called gently. "Hello-

a match and advanced step by step,

holding the yellow bit of flame above

walls of a hall and an open door lead-

sputtered and went out and he lighted

At a glance he knew that he had

There was no answer. He struck

fore him a chaos of gloom.

Hello-

hundreds of lights were twinkling in been dragged from a closet and was

the harbor, there came up to him half packed; everywhere was the dis-

softly, subdued by distance, the sound order of burried flight. For a few

Do Birds Return to Old Nests? Whether birds, especially migratory ones, return to the same nests year after year is a question of much interest to the naturalist. Swallows that summer in England do not winter north of Africa, but an observer at High Halden, Kent, England, has recorded that one returned on April 12 to a nest it occupied last year. It was recognized by a ring that had been placed on its leg. To gain a Big New York Hotels to Require Phy- a guarantee for the utmost cleanlithan 2,000 British birds were last year marked with inscribed aluminum rings, and twice as many more will he replaced his match with this. Then be similarly tagged this year.

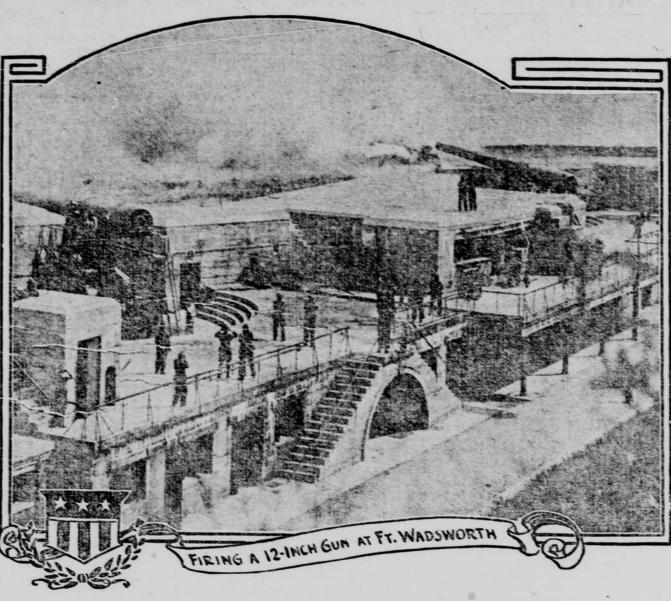
Canada Needs Rat-Traps

According to Consul General Jones at Winnipeg. Canada is in great need from under him, and he fell panting side was a bed and close beside it a of rat traps. Farmers in the grain on the ground. For a few moments cradle with a child's toys scattered belt are becoming anxious over the he lay there looking down upon the about it. The tumbled coverlets invasion of rodents and are willing city. The great bell at the temple showed that both had been recently and able to pay a good price for a was now silent. He saw huge fires used. About the room were thrown ar- trap that will combine durability and burning for a mile along the coast, ticles of wearing apparel; a trunk had efficiency.

Logical. Green Purchaser (in automobile of commotion and excitement far be moments the depth of his despair held ware rooms)-My friend sent me here Nathaniel motionless. The castle was to get a rheumatic tire. Clerk-Rheumatic? You mean pneu-

Green Purchaser-Perhaps it is

GUN PRACTICE AT ONE OF OUR CUAST DEFENSES



THE question of coast defense is just now being given much attention by the military authorities. It is averred that, for some reason or other, this "line of defense" has not received that consideration in the past to which its importance entitles it. During this year, however, the matter will be taken up in earnest at Washington, and it is safe to say that many points on our coast that are now unprotected will in due season be equipped with forts of the ype represented in the picture above. This photograph was taken during target practice and at the moment of the iring of one of the 12-inch disappearing guns with which Fort Wadsworth is armed. The roar and concussion of the explosion of these pieces of ordnance are alike tremendous. To counteract their effects on the body, the soldiers are nstructed to raise themselves on their toes and open their mouths. In some instances the men reinforce these

## BREED ARMY HORSES

Good Animals.

Sum of \$250,000 to Be Set Aside for Developing Equine-Choice Ones Go Abroad Because Foreigner Pays More.

London.-A sort of government stud, of which the purpose is to establish a new breed of horse, is not unlikely to be presently endowed by the commissioners of the development grant.

concerned, is money. The best horses no business of the commissioners. What they do should be done princi-

pally on behalf of the breed itself. This being so, it is proposed as a first step to try to convert the hunter from a mongrel to an aristocrat. The hunter is the horse of horses for utility. The cavalry and the territorials want nothing but the hunter. At present the breeding of hunters is a random business, as it always is in cross-

Thoroughbred sires are sent to the several centers by the royal commission on horse breeding, but the breeding of hunters would be on a very different footing if the hunter type could be, as it were, stereotyped in a distinctive pure breed. In many parts even of Ireland, the paradise of hunters, the type is depreciating and nowhere is it

improving. It is argued that a really scientific and practical body, with the grant of several thousand dollars a year, could evolve a pure bred hunter of just the sort required, just as the pigeon or dog of every sort of "pattern." Similar ex- of repair and fresh paint. A veranda owner. periments recently made in Hertford- which formerly made a pleasant loungtaken on no very scientific method.

steady, lucrative business instead of pointments of the apartment, however, source of wealth to the country. It glory and completeness. is to be hoped that a small part of the sive experiment as this.

co-operate. Hackney enthusiasts be- closet and chairs. There is a small that the Wells-Fargo company had delieve that hackney blood should ap- sewing machine and plano in the liv- tained her parrot for ten days because pear in such a breed and would, as ing room, with a table and couch. A they had lost the address and that recent offers prove, lend mares as oth- gas burning grate formerly provided she did not believe the parrot had ers would lend stallions, it is not oft- heat for the apartment, while electric been cared for all that time. The exen that the opportunity is offered of fixtures testify to modern lighting ef- press company officials say every atorganizing so useful an experiment so fects. Real windows with shades, an tention was paid to the bird and that

A letter from Mr. Haldane was read and other accompaniments of a per- was its due.

sical Examinations Similar to

German Custom.

New York.-The German system of

supervising the health of hotel em-

ployees for the protection of guests is

York hotels. A large Broadway hos-

"Only recently it was brought to

my attention that a man and his wife

and child who had been staying at a

system into operation lately.

tect himself and family.

WAITERS MUST BE HEALTHY

The serving of food by infected wait- health authorities attempting to solve

ers imperils the health of patrons, ac- the problem. They point out that cording to sanitarians. "The hotel congress should authorize a national

guest," said one manager, in speak- health bureau, as recommended in the

ing of the innovation, "is at the mercy president's message, one of the pow-

Great Britain on Still Hunt for at a meeting of the City of London Territorial Force association, in which the secretary of state for war wrote that progress was being made with the scheme for the supply of horses on mobilization, and before long def. relief bonds," he wrote to the compinite instructions would be issued. In troller of that eity for enlightenment the meantime Mr. Haldane did not see on the subject through curiosity and association on the subject.

PAYING CHICAGO FIRE DEBT

of Buffalo Will Not Be Retired

bonds Oct. 10, 1871, and this indebted- won by the score of 22 to 20.

any reason for a conference with the as a matter of general public interest. Play Ball on Ice. Sandusky, Ohio.-The novel experience of witnessing a baseball game on the frozen surface of Lake Erie. Last of \$50,000 Bonds Issued by City off the south shore of Kelly's island,

was the pleasure of nearly two thou-A regulation diamond was marked

according to the date of expiration of

the latest refunding of the original

Information on this subject was ob-

tained by the county architect, Edwin

Rice Baker. Seeing in the last annual

report of the comptroller of Buffalo,

William G. Justice, an item of a \$20,-

000 bond issue, marked "Chicago fire

Chicago.-The city of Buffalo is still off on the ice and the rules of the

## TOY HOUSE TO BE RETAINED

Even Though Girl for Whom It Was feetly ordered household were enjoy-Constructed Has Since Married and Moved Away.

Chicago.—The bijou toyhouse for circled by an iron fence. children, which for many years has gladdened the hearts and excited the interest of children passing the home household to a visitor as he crawled of Thomas Lynch, Dearborn avenue, is to be kept in repair and renovated. The wedding recently of Miss Leila to pieces." It is to be repaired, how-Lynch, for whom the model house was constructed, when she was a small girl revived a desire of Mr. Lynch to keep intact the miniature dwelling which had brought as much joy to members of the family. Miss Lynch Express Employes Had Lively Time is now Mrs. J. F. Stevens and her home for the present is at Washing-

ton, D. C. The little home, about ten feet long

Three rooms comprise the lower and destroyed it and there was a long \$250,000, vaguely and conditionally of- floor, with stairs leading to a tower, delay in getting a duplicate address. fered, will be spent on such a progres- from which a view of the neighborhood can be obtained. A bedroom con- St. Paul Humane society and in-There are scores of men who would tains a bureau and mirror with a formed Miss Alice Nillard, secretary, electric door bell, small dinner dishes it really got a good deal more than

scrubwoman who suffered from the

amination. They were discharged.

ed by the small owner and guests. A flagstaff surmounts the tower top and a small yard surrounds the house en-

out of the door and fastened it with a string. "It's a shame to see it go ever, and kept in shape.

## PARROT CHEWS UP HER TAG

Caring for Bird-Death Follows Delivery to Owner.

St. Paul, Minn.-A parrot, sent to the iron. and eight feet wide, situated in the St. Paul from Chicago, chewed up her yard adjoining the Dearborn avenue address tag and made things lively for address, is or was complete in its the last ten days in the office of the appointments. It is a replica of a Wells-Fargo Express company. She fanciers have evolved birds and dogs modern house, but now sadly in need perished after reaching her rightful

"Why, that parrot was talking the shire in regard to polo ponies are very ing place for the small residents of whole blessed day; we could hardly promising; and these have been under- the house has fallen away in ruins. get in a word edgewise," said one of Electric light and the connections are the clerks. "We took her out of the The evolving of such a horse would broken, and the inside of the dwelling box every day to feed her, and we almake horse breeding for the army a is one of chaos. Much of the ap- ways had trouble catching her again." Polly was shipped to a Mrs. Cook a lottery, and would be a constant remain to demonstrate its former by her son in Chicago. The bird managed to reach the label on the box

Mrs. Cook called at the office of the

Law on Rotten Eggs.

Albany, N. Y .- The New York state department of agriculture announces that in its efforts to enforce the purefood law it has been difficult to obtain ness, became infected with a horrible evidence to convict persons who sell skin disease. It was learned that a bad eggs for food.

"It is the practice," says the departdisease had used a drinking glass in ment in its circular, "to ship rotten the guests' room. The disease had eggs to New York city from the four been communicated to a cut on his corners of the earth marked 'not for

being put into force in the larger New lip and thence to his wife and child." food or for tanning purposes." "This makes the shipment legal The question of requiring similar it is not until the shipment reatelry, employing 450 servants, put the inspection of dining car waiters presents more difficult aspects to the changed."

Dog Is Hero.

London.-Jess, the Irish terrier of of the management of the hotel which ers of which might be to supervise the the paralyzed Islington watchmaker, FREE, to Capital Ca he patronizes in respect to the selec- sanitation of interstate carriers. Of has been presented by Mrs. De Courcy he patronizes in respect to the selection of employees. A hotel ought to the 450 employees in the first hotel Laffan with a collar admitting it to the 450 employees in the first hotel the Brotherhood of Hero Dogs. protect its guests from diseases just to initiate the German system only the Brotherhood of Hero Dogs. as any private householder would pro- 12 refused to undergo the physical ex- Known as the dog with the human brain, Jess is in the habit of answering the door for her master, and helps him by holding and fetching tools. To mingle our sorrows is to sweet- running errands and generally acting as a domestic.

SAVED FROM DAN
TION--NEIGHBOR
TO DO FOR BLAC

Several months ago sick with bladder tr pains and suffered ;

could not stand on r chair and often was with pain. I consulted two de different kinds of med no good. It seemed of their medicine I to came. The doctors s puzzled over my case consultation, I was severe case of inflan and an operation wa

hospital, when a re house and said, "" bottle of Dr. Kilme was willing to try from my suffering. tle of your medicine and soon noticed a I continued taking i along, my appetite able to resume wor I have used sever Root and know that I would have been my friends about

I was being prepa

State of Minnesota County of Hennep Personally appear day of Sept., 1909. city of Minneapoli sota, who subscri oath says that san and in fact.

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case, a dangerous

from suffering and

ake his way back to the ranch a ig up the money.

Officers Soon on Trail. Prove What Swamp-! Send to Dr. Kil Having relieved himself of the go. ton, N. Y., for a seeler purchased a horse at the ranconvince anyone. Id started off on a wild ride to ga a booklet of valuable other side of the Rio Grande at all about the kidneye mountains of Mexico. Within For sale at all drour after Beeler left the office wi

cents and one-dollate money the express company h. bread the alarm, but it was not un: Wisjong toward noon next day that the andoned horses and wagon we und in the brush. Meanwhile ozen detectives were busy, and t ace officers along the border we otified by wire to keep a looko

r the fugitive. The trail of Beckas picked up at the ranch south an Antonio, where he claims to have iried most of the money. G. ft of Houston, state superintende the Wells-Fargo, and one of the cor my's best detectives, Eugene Ygl as of Laredo, were in hot pursuit. B seen the ranch and the Rio Grant ossing Beeler were out three horse e Mexican officials on the borde pt a sharp lockout. Beeler says tought it was all up with him who e of these officers suddenly can on him and, drawing down on hi ith a gun, ordered him to surre

r. Beeler bribed the officer wi "I suppose you 00 and not only was released, by paring for her wels directed to the shortest cut int

"Yes, she is une distant mountains. Captured by Brigands.

stroying all her In the vicinity of Lampazos, Mexico Simplicity eler fell into the hands of a ban A story was to eler fell into the hands of a ban ney at the Cape brigands who made their rende: us in caves in the mountains nea elers' dinner by istamantte, about 175 miles south ( of Leominster: e point where he had crossed th recled by an iron fence.

ney was seen to point where he had crossed the one of the corrie of Grande. They robbed him of a I heard these ws money, except a few cents. Ch him?' 'No,' sallars, printed in Spanish, describin write a thing who fugitive, had been widely circu never talk whered over northern Mexico. Throug

head."—Boston is means the bandit chief learned at their American captive wa With a smoot nted for stealing \$50,000. The bris Starch, you cands made a demand upon Beeler fo waist just as w money, threatening to kill him t did not turn it over to them. It steam laundry c did not turn it over to them. In proper stiffness ler to save his life, he told then be less wear an had buried all of it except tha and it will be sich they had found upon his per use a Starch the and taken away from him. When the iron

reed to escort the robbers to the Duty makes ut where he had hidden the money love makes us start on the return journey of more Phillips Brooks in 300 miles was made and the le party had reached the Texas Take Garfield Te of the Rio Grande when they pure, pleasant arrned that posses of officers were

An undertake all over the border country ones" that he is prisoner back to their mountain Garfield Tea haves to await a more favorable op-housands! Uncertunity for hunting for the buried asure.

> Apprehension in Mexico. Jeanwhile, Mr. Taft and Mr. Yglas had traced Beeler. Going to Gen.

nardo Reyes, governor of the state Nueve Leon, Mr. Taft asked his astance in capturing the fugitive. ernor Reyes sent for the alcalde

What can't

doctor.

the Bustamante district and told a that unless he caught the missing erican robber within 36 hours his ce would be declared vacant. The alde sent out men to scour every NO WONDER t of his district, and Beeler was tured in the camp of the brigands. Vaiving extradition, Beeler was Make the

tone the deppeared that every right she ught of her faithless sweetheart, regulate image rose before her. keep the To Janet it seemed a perfectly sim-

matter to 'suggest' away the halconstipatination, by impressing upon her. ing hypnosis, the idea that when awoke she would no longer see imaginary form. But he found for some reason the suggestion ld not 'take.' Day after day he ently hypnotized her, always with-8 success.

Finally, he began to suspect that at om she did not want to be cured, that the passionate desire to see lover if only as a phantasm conated too strong a 'self-suggestion' overcome by direct attack. Anr method would have to be tried. ery well,' he one day said to her, le she was hypnotized, if you want continue seeing your lover, you

see him. But, remember, you always see him with the head and de then brought her out of the notic sleep into her natural state. minutes later she uttered a cry.



of a pig." covered her eyes with her hands.