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CHAPTER SIX-Continued.

"Isn't it good to be an American?" asked Jessie, as her hand stole into John's. Just then a full-rigged ship, making from Boston Harbor, spread her sails and stood out past them. Jessie looked at her as Lohengrin might have looked at the swan, and whispered:

"Wasn't it Longfellow who stood here and felt with us:

"My soul is full of longing For the secret of the sea: And the heart of the great ocean Sends a thrilling pulse through me?" Yes, Jessie, not only Longfellow,

but Emerson, Hawthorne, Thoreau and Channing dreamed here," said John. But, Jessie, poetry makes poor feeding. I'm hungry."

"So am I," laughed Jessie. "Come on, I'll race you to the inn!" and she sprang to her saddle before John could assist her.

Picking their way carefully down the steep hill, they reached the hard roadbed. Then Jessie spoke to her horse and dashed ahead. She was a good rider, and, though it was a close race, John gallantly conceded defeat. In the dining-room were many guests

from Boston and they united to make a merry party. It was three o'clock when they started again for Nantasket. The five miles they covered at a canter.

As John helped Jessie from her horse at Nantasket some one touched him on the shoulder. John turned.

"Haou de ye dew, John?" exclaimed a strange figure of a man, standing there all grins. "I swan, I'm glad ter see ye up an' 'round agin! Haou de ye dew, John? Haou air ye?"

"All right, Sam," said John shaking hands.

Sam was the country sport of Rocky Woods, with a fame extending to Cohasset and not wholly unknown in Hingham. It was Saturday, and Sam was in gala attire. He was tall and

this no-account Jones. 'It takes a pow erful long time ter clean a cistern out proper. Bill an' Gus is down stairs waitin' fer ye. Let's play 'em one game, an' then ye can go home an' pull the old woman up."

"As I said before, it's always dark down in Jones' basement, an' none on em took any account on what was goin' on. You know how it rained yesterday mornin'? It started in tew pour 'long about nine o'clock." Sam paused to laugh. "When old man Shaw came out er Jones' basement. the gutters was full of water an' the rain was comin' down in sheets. For three hours it had been rainin' cats an' dogs!

"Old man Shaw was plumb scared ter death. He ran all the way home. Every time he looked at a gutter-spout he nearly fainted away. He come tew his place an' ran 'round the back way. He looked down the hole an' saw nothin' but water.

"'Sallie! Sallie!' he hollered.

"The old woman was standin' on top the bottom of the pail, up agin the wall. The water was up tew her chin, but she was mad all over, an' she hadn't lost her voice.

"'Ye've come at last, Bill Shaw, have ye?' she said. 'You haul me outer here quicker'n scat, an' when I gets up I'll scratch yer eyes out! Ye done this on purpose! Ye haul me out, an' I'll fix ye fer this day's work!"

"The old man lowered a rope, an' after a hard tussle hauled her up. The neighbors say she mopped him all over the yard, an' I say it sarved him right."

Sam related several other incidents in the career of the Shaws, and Jessie laughed until the tears ran down her cheeks. They bid Sam good-day, and watched him until he disappeared with the famous trotter in a cloud of dust. After supper they waited for the ris-

was of medium height and cherky build with features of aristocratic mold, but weakened and puffed as from habitual excesses. He had recently attained the notoriety of an unconditional ex pulsion from Yale. His name had pade with a foreign actress, but the story was denied and suppressed before it reached the usual climax. Commencement days were past. One

June morning Jessie Carden arrived in Hingham, and was met by Mr. and Mrs. Bishop in the old family carriage. Arthur Morris also chanced to be at the station. As Jessie Carden ran forward and affectionately greeted her relatives, Arthur Morris gazed at her with a scrutiny too close to be condoned as "a well-bred stare." She wore a gray traveling dress, and looked so charming that one might be pardoned for an almost rude admiration.

"Gad, but she's a beauty!" he exclaimed, as Jessie stepped into the car-"Thank God there's at least riage. one good-looking girl in the neighborhood! Who the devil is she? Stranger, I suppose. James," he said in a low voice, addressing his tiger, "get in and be ready to take the horses if I tell you.'

"Yes, sir," replied the boy solemnly, raising a gloved hand to his hat. Under a strong curb the horses followed the Bishop vehicle.

Delighted to return to the country, Jessie Carden little suspected that her arrival had so aroused the blase blood of the banker millionaire's son. It was a long drive, but at last Arthur Morris saw the carriage turn into the Bishop yard. He drove leisurely past the place till he regained the main road

On the old bridge spanning the creek he met a young man in a light road wagon. Morris halted his team, and signaled the driver with a wave of his hand.

"I say, who lives in the big house to the south, on this side of the road?" 'Mr. Bishop lives there-Mr. Thom-

as Bishop," replied John Burt. "Thanks," said Arthur Morris with short bow. "Any daughters? I'm a new comer in this locality," he explained with a smile meant to be confiding.

"Mr. Bishop has no daughter," said John, proud to give information on a subject so dear to him. "The young lady in their carriage was probably Miss Carden. She spends the summer seasons with them. She's erpected to-day from Boston."

"Carden? Carden?" repeated Morris, as if the matter were merely of passing moment. "I fancy I've heard of her people."

"Her father is a Boston banker." "Ah, yes; I know. Lovely old place -that of the Bishops-isn't it? Fine old gables, and an air of age-Pilgrim Fathers, and all that sort of thing, don't you know. Think I'll try to induce the governor to buy it. Lovely day! Delighted to have met you, Mr. -Mr. Brown. Git up. you brute!" and the tandem was lashed past John Burt.

That evening after dinner Arthur Morris found his father in the library. For some time both smoked in silence.

"I say, governor," said Arthur, as if the thought had suddenly occurred to him, "do you know any Cardens in Boston?"

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"HAOU DE YE DEW, JOHN? HAOU AIR YE? His large, good-natured | stately orb of night break above ocean's rim and blend its white light mouth, wide open, displayed rows of white teeth; his small blue eves twinwith the pink afterglow of sunset. Bathed in her flood, they turned their kled shrewdly, and his ears stood clear horses homeward, riding through a John glanced at Jessie and the shadowed and shimmering fairyland. laughter in her eyes was a sufficient The gnarled and wind-wrenched apple trees were etched in lines of weird beauty against the sky. The rugged "Miss Carden, let me present Mr. Rounds, a schoolmate and neighbor." stone walls were softened, and faded Sam doffed his cap with a sweeping away into dreamy perspectives. In the years which followed, how the "Delighted ter meet ye, Miss Carscenes and incidents of that summer den." he exclaimed, with a sincerity came back to John Burt! Under many which did not belie his words. He exskies he recalled the happy hours tended a huge hand. "Have often seen spent with Jessie Carden. Again he ye ridin' by and heerd all erbout that drifted with her in a boat, floating at air runerway. I swan, that was a will of breeze and tide, her hand trailmighty ticklish shave fer ye, Miss ing in the water, and the murmur of Carden. Tell ye what let's do! Let's her voice in his ears. Again they have some sody water an' ice cream. walked down the wooded path, while It's my treat to-day! Sold a hoss this the black of the night stood like a wall mornin' an' made forty-two dollars in front of them, and Jessie clutched clean profit on him. I'm great on at his arm when an owl sounded his hosses, Miss Carden. John, here, runs solemn cry. ter books an' studyin' an' all that. But, Jessie was going to Vassar, and as I say, my strong holt is hosses. John had passed the examination They say we all has our little weakwhich admitted him to Harvard. He nesses-present company, of course, found that he could study much better expected. Let's go an' git that sody under the shade of the Bishop trees an' ice cream.". And Sam led the than in any other spot, and Jessie way to a pavilion and impressively orheld the text-books while he recited. dered the suggested refreshments. The weeks glided by like a dream. Jessie engaged Sam in conversation. One day in autumn he stood by her laughing merrily at his odd remarks side on the station platform in Hingand stories. He pointed to an old ham. As the train rumbled in, somefarmer who drove past in a rickety thing rose to his throat and a film stole over his eyes.



"Good-by, John!"

had gone back to Boston.

"Good-by, Jessie!" The train glided out from the station; a little hand fluttered a lace handkerchief from a window; a sunburned pair waved in reply. Jessie

CHAPTER SEVEN.

Arthur Morris.

When Randolph Morris had amassed a couple of millions in New York banking and stock manipulation, he decided to establish a New England country place in keeping with his wealth and station. He selected a site near Hingham, overlooking Massachusetts bay, with a distant view of the ocean. For years workmen were busy with the great stone mansion. Terraces, verdant in turf gave beaut; to the sur rounding rocks now softened with vines. Stables, conservatories, and lodges lent new distinction to the landscape.

The eldest of the Morris children was Arthur, the heir to the bulk of the Morris fortunes. His age was twenty-four, and his experience in certain matters that of a man of forty.

"I know Marshall Carden, the banker," growled the millionaire. "What about him?" "Oh, nothing much," rejoined the

son carelessly. "What's he worth?" "He's worth more than he'll be again," said Randolph Morris grimly. "He's in L. & O. stock up to his neck. If you knew as much about stocks as you do about trousers, that would mean something to you-but it doesn't. Carden is supposed to be worth half a million. When he gets through with L. & O. some one else will have the money and he'll have experience. What do you want to know about Carden? Has he a daughter?" The old man looked sharply at Arthur Morris. (To be continued.)

One on Senator Overman.

Senator Overman was recently in North Carolina to act as attorney for defendants in a murder trial. He climbed into a bootblack's chair in Salisbury one day. The negro boy was rather bright and the senator engaged him in conversation.

"Who is the governor of this state?" asked the senator.

"I doan' no', boss," was the reply, for which the senator chided the boot-0 black. Gov. Charlie Aycock is very popular in the old North state, and Democrats think everybody ought to know his name.

The polishing of the senator's shoes proceeded, and the negro lad seemed to be in a mental abstraction. But he soon broke the silence.

"Boss," he inquired, "who am the gubehnor of Mississippi?"

The senator had to admit that he could not remember.-Washington Post.

Advisers of the Czars.

The great czars of Russia, somebody srift, when they want a man, go out into the street and find one. It is another way of saying that the czar's ministers spring from nowhere. It is almost true. Russia has had an em press who began life as a peasant and married a Swedish dragoon, and it was an Armenian who all but destroyed the autocracy of the czars and set Russia among the progressive national Sergius De Witte, descendant of a Dutchman, started at a wayside rail way station on a career which has brought him almost at the head of the state. So, too, with the man who to

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