SYNOPSIS.

The story opens with the introduction of John Siephens, adventurer, a Mussa-Josetts man purrouned by authorities at Valperaiso, Chile. Being interested it minute operations in Bolivia, he was de-Being interested in counced by there as an insurrectionist and as a consequence was hiding. At his thatsi his attention was attracted by an Englishman and a young woman. Stephens resemed the young woman from number of or. He was thanked by Admiral of the Peruvian navy confronted Stephens, told him that war had been deshered between Chile and Peru and offered him the office of captain. He desired that that night the Esmeralda, a vessei, should be captured. Stephens is upted the commission Stephens in the motley crew, to which he the gave them total in-WAS BRELIEF. structions. They boarded the vessel. They successfully captured the vessel supposed to be the Carronida, through strategy Capt. Steptons gave directions for the departure of the cruft. He entered the cal-in and old creed the English woman and her rand Stephens quickly learned the wrong vessel had been captured. le was Lord fearlington's pricate yacht. the terd's wife and maid being abourd. He explained the situation to her lady-sing. Then Paul Mate Tuttle laid bare the plot, saying that the Sea Queen had been taken in order to go to the Antare-tic circle. Thirds explained that on a former vayage be had learned that the Donna Period was last in 12%. He had found it freeze in a long case of ice or an islami and contained much gold. Stephens car walled to be the captain of the expection. Its told Lady finetan sto was greatly all express of confidence in blin. Sea Oneen encountered a vessel in the trag. Stephens attempted to communicate

CHAPTER XII.-Continued.

'Lay your hands on me again," I threatened, sternly, 'and i'll floor you to the decl. I'll take that grin off your face, it. Nova, it you attempt any interior with me now."

He understood quickly a nough what I meant, and evidently had no relish for attacting me alone, for with one swift, searching glance into the fog. he teaped down the steps and ran testily alt I knew he was seeking the backing of Tuttle, and armed myself with a belaying pin, poering engerly meanwhile for the near-by sail. and cursing the fellow at the wheel for not holding her up to the point steps at a time. Tuttle in his shirt | w'at ze devil was up now!" sleeves and as they attained the bridge, Bill Anderson swung himself! out of the tatch and started after yet with vastly differing emotions, ma grasped in my hand.

threatening). "I'm ready to brain ing us would result in the-release of the first man who attempts to touch the women below. But De Nova was

Tuttle stopped, his jaw working sav- peril of his position clear before him. agely, his eyes on mine. Will you promise to keep quiet, sir,

an' let us get away out o' this?" "Damn you, no!" stubbornly, all my senses leaving me at sight of his hate- of oars in the water alongside. The ful face. "I'll speak that ship yonder officer came slowly up the ladder, and if I have to light the crew of you my heart sank as I heard him laugh sangle-handed."

"Then fight, you cockerel, an' be damned to you!" roared Anderson; voice, but not the words uttered, and and he pressed past the two of them in some way it impressed me with the and sprang at me.

tt was hot, swift work, while it rail. I aimed to do as well by Tutand jumped at my back, throttling me grinned, showing his teeth. with his hands as the weight of his body crushed me to the planks. Grasping the rail I half tore myself loose. cising to one knee, and struck him twice madly in the face; but others of the crew came tumbling on top of was all the work of a breathless moa negro crunching into my chest, I saw for he stretched his legs across the the fresh breeze. The Sea Queen the Nova spring to the wheel and which it hard down, while Tuttle, his test arm daughing, his teeth set from coat pocket. Underneath his genial veling the jauntiness of her keel, and pain, began jangling the bells in the engine-room. Scarcely had the echo coached us when a strange voice hailed

"Steamer, aboy! What vessel is that " Tuitle's nasal voice answered:

sharply from out the dense fog:

Steam yacht Cormorant, Panama to Easter island, for pleasure. Who are you?" H. M. S. Victory, on cruise. Stand

by, while we send a boat."

A deep path sprang to Tuttle's lins. his fingers convulsively gripping the rad Then he appeared to rally, the very intensity of his fear making a now man out of him.

"favely, lads, clear the deck," he commanded, harshly, "Here, one of you take the wheel. Now, De Nova, face in my hands. bereile that fighting foot down into the charteners, and stand over him with a gur wo of you fellows carry the at the vapor sweeping past the winboatswair into the focastie; lively, dow, and I with head lowered in de-

pression. It was Tuttle himself, with They were certainly expeditious one arm in an improvised sing, who sid open the door of the charthouse ing down the steps, and flinging me in and looked in upon us. between table and bench with a vioteace that made me grean. I caught he said, shortly, "and I need to doctor the glimmer of a steel barrel in De up my arm a bit. You're a dam' hard nova's hand hitter, Mr. Stephens," no trace of anstiding door. ger in his voice, "but that's about the

"It was not nice sing to do, Mons. Ste- last chance you'll have to kick up a pecens," he said, not ill-naturedly, "but, shindy on this vessel. You'll go below, by gar, out ze farsity row it was go- sir, an' stay there, unless we happen ing to be done, for I shoot ze pistol to need you." very good."

That's all right, De Nova." I re- in obedience to his gesture. mied, realizing my complete defeat and holding no personal grudge tended command, but merely your against him. "I don't blame you. I've prisoner." made my play, and have had enough.

May I sit up?" the nodded carelessly, dropping the be the same in any case. Well, De revolver back into his jacket pocket. Nova, what are you waitin' for?" yet with his black eyes fastened

strewdly on my face. ze navy man wanted?" 'Tis ze bes' way to talk, monsieur.' Tuttle's solemn countenance broke pussing to listen to the mingled into the semblance of a grin.



The Descending Pin Landed on His Uplifted Arm.

directed. They came up together, two sounds without. "Sacre, I wonder | "Plug tobacco," he announced, sucking his lips with sadden enjoyment of We both sat, breathing hard from the joke. "Gave me the scare of my our late exertions, listening anxiously, life, but that's all it amounted to. he was endeavoring to avoid meeting Been out cruisin' for three months, an' them. I backed away, the agly iron hope animating me that this was to the crew ready to mutiny for smokin' prove a capture, or, at least, that some and chewin'. Nice, sociable little chap cabin, and again in the narrow deck You'd better keep back." I warned, chance discovery by the officer visite they sent over, too." CHAPTER XIII. in an agony of apprehension, the full

We heard the bare feet of the hurry-

ing sailors patter along the deck, the

strident voice of Tuttle issuing a few

final commands, and the faint sound

could distinguish the sound of his

"Nossing ver' dangerous, monsieur."

the vessel began throbbing to the

I do not know how long we sat there

motionless. De Nova staring blankly

"This is your watch yet. De Nova."

I stepped forth onto the open deck

"Then I am no longer even in pre-

"Call it whatever suits you best,

he returned, grimly. "The result will

"I sink maybe you say w'at was it

In Which We Sail Due South. As I sank down into the recesses of spirits at lowest ebb, I glanced up at the telltale compass—we were already

headed due south. while serving to bear us continually carelessly to the mate's greeting. I deeper into the immense expanse of water that concealed the mystery awaiting us in the great South sea, had been assigned as assistant to the contained little of incident directly rethought that the fellow was young, a lating to this narrative. Day following side the galley even to be approached. midshipman, possibly, who would day that same wide circle of the sky tasted. I struck twice, laying open the prove mere putty under Tuttle's ex- came down to unite with the circle of big brute's scalp, and dropping him pert handling. The two went down the waters. It was almost as though so his head hung dangling down over the companion-steps together in ap- we remained motionless. "a painted the deck, his body huddled against the parently amiable conversation, and ship upon a painted ocean"; only the we could heard the low murmur of figures on the paper, the pins on the tic, but the descending pin landed on voices as the crew hung over the rail chart, the sharp stem cleaving the bus uplifted arm, and, before I could jesting with the men-o'-war's men in waves asunder, and the oily wake draw back for another blow, the fel- the boat below. My eyes met De astern leaving us aware of steady tow at the wheel released the spokes Nova's in the semi-darkness, and he progression through this trackless tail. We must have been below the desert of the sea.

We passed somewhat to the westhe said, easily. "Ze ol' fox he fool ward of Juan Fernandez, so far out that only with a glass from the I attempted no response, my mind al- foretop could the distant peaks be ready sufficiently heavy from appre- dimly deciphered in blue, misty blots thin mantle of white along the decks. hension. Oh, for just a word, merely against the sky. Already Tuttle had us, pinning me helplessly down. It an opporturity to cry out our story be- banked the fires, and spread the Sea fore it was forever too late! De Nova Queen's canvas, reaching to the westment, and as i lay there, the knee of must have felt the struggle within me, ward to get the most possible out of narrow passage leading to the door, changed motive power and appearance and I saw his hand thrust into his as if by magic, the square yards hidneer he was one to act upon occasion, concealing the rake of her masts, the absolutely careless of the result. So I white sails bellowing out before the waited in silence, my teeth set hard, wind, sending her swooping forward utter desolation, of madly racing my hands clenched, as the last vest through the water like a great bird, waves, of green, sullen sea, of pale tige of hope oozed slowly out of me. leaning over until at times her lee, blue sky, the very frost in the air ap-They were scarcely ten minutes be- rail was all awash with white foam parent; a cold, drear expanse of molow, coming up chatting in rare good, and her forward decks glistening with fellowship, the officer clinging to the spume.

rail, his feet on the ladder, while he Tuttle drove her recklessly, holding completed some story he had been on in spice of crackling wood and sails relating with much gusto. Then we threatening to tear loose from the heard plainly the dip of oars, growing bott-eyes, taking shrewd advantage of gradually fainter in the distance, feet each slant of wind, and lowering canpattered on the deck planks. Tuttle's vas only when danger was deadly. He voice sounded from the bridge, and had come into his own, he was at home, and the rejuvenated Sea Queen steady chug of the screws. We were leaped forward at his will, as though safely under way again, pressing our endowed with fresh life. He seemed sharp bow into the fog-bank. Unable: to understand her moods, her caprices. to control my weakness, I buried my as though he had sailed her in every sea, and I watched him test her, loos-

ening a rope here, tightening another there, striving to discover her good and bad qualities, until my admiration for his seamanship almost overbalanced my growing detestation of him otherwise.

Lady Darlington became positively afraid of him, dreading his approach, shrinking from his address, yet not daring to withdraw wholly from his presence. His sole topic of conversation was psychomancy, and every time she endeavored to lead him to some more pleasant subject he would return with dogmatic persistence to that one rather dismal theme. His blatant self-conceit saved him from realizing her utter weariness, and he never seemed to tire of his own unctuous, nasal tones. Heavens, but the fellow was an insufferable bore. Celeste would slip away unobserved, but her mistress and myself had no means of escape. 1 remained quietly below for three days, and even then was not released by any formal word of mouth. I simply. became so tired of the senseless imprisonment that I mounted to the deck, taking Lady Darlington with me, determined to be confined to the cabin no longer except by physical force. De Nova was upon the bridge when we emerged from the companion, but he merely glanced at us euriously. Tuttle, coming aft a little later, retained sense enough to remain silent. The three days passed below had thrown me much into the society of both mistress and maid, although the frank intimacy of that first conversation with Lady Darlington was never resumed. There seemed an intangible barrier of reserve between us, although we talked freely enough regarding our situation, the peculiarities of Tattle, and the constantly changing wonders of the deep. It was as if neither of us quite dared to probe beneath the surface, opening up once nore the depths each endeavored conceal; rather were we content to drift as the tide ran. I saw comparatively little of De

Nova, the second officer, during this period, and gained an impression that me. Yet I ran across him twice in company with Celeste, once in the space overhanging the stern, and began to hope vaguely that the girl was winning him over to our interests. With the others I sought to approach made no progress. McKnight seldom showed his nose above deck, and a cushioned chair in the cabin, my then only to smoke in sullen silence, seated gloomily on the edge of the main hatch or to the lee of the charthouse. Olsen was undoubtedly honest Those days and nights following, enough, yet without intelligence, his eyes those of a faithful dog. The Chilean, a smooth-faced young fellow wonderfully deficient in chin. I learned cook, and was thus kept too busy in-Indeed, so far I had not seen his face

CHAPTER XIV.

on board the ship.

In Which De Nova Speaks.

What now occurred came upon us with such suddenness that I find it difficult to relate the incidents in defiftieth degree of south latitude, and about 135 degrees west, with the wind strong and occasionally puffing up into squalls, bearing flakes of snow which stung exposed flesh and left a It was Tuttle's watch below, and as I paused in the protection of the companionway looking forward, while I got my pipe going, I could see De Nova on the bridge, wrapped up like a mummy, and crouching well down behind the tarpaulins. All about was a wild sea scene, never to be looked upon amid any other stretch of waters on the globe-a dull, dead picture of notonous distance wherever the eye looked-a desert of water below, a hairy bad, add I ab a sbooth bad." void of air above. Big Bill Anderson, his head still bound up where I had cracked him, slouched in the doorway of the charthouse, staring aft, and a moment later De Nova came lumbering down the steps from the bridge and spoke with him for some earnestly. The boatswain finally went forward, clinging to a lifeline to keep footing on the slippery deck, and the second officer clawed along the weathcr-rail until he reached the companion. (TO BE CONTINUED.)



Almost Deserved to Escape

Truant's Quick Grasp of Opportunity Compels Admiration.

The absent-minded professor rehis son had played truant from school, and he was asked by his wife to hunt up the missing youngster and admin- Jack?"

ister a sound thrashing. the angry father. "I'll break every way to buy me a box of candy. bone in his body! Just wait until I get | because of my excellent school rehim out in the woodshed!"

He came across his heir playing marbles about a mile from home, but the absent-minded professor, as he for the purpose, paid for itself in the the boy didn't seem to be a bit alarmed patted the boy on the back and started by the old man's threats. As they for the store.

started to return home the absentminded professor stopped to chat with an old acquaintance, and it was fifteen or twenty minutes later when he turned home one night to learn that looked down in wonder at the boy at his side and asked:

"Why, where did you come from.

"Don't you remember, father?" "Why, I'll flay him alive!" exclaimed smiled the boy, we are on our

port." "Bless me, but so we are," agreed

Head of French Republic May 15.

Paris.—President Armand Fallleres of the French republic, who is reported to have resigned his office because of ill health, the resignation to take effect May 15, after the general elec-



tion, has been at the head of the republic since 1906. He and his wife are of simple tastes and habits of living and frequently have displayed the thrift and prudence that mark the French middle classes. The president was born near Agen, in southern France in 1841. He early settled at Nerne as a lawyer, and in 1880 became undersecretary of state, after which he held office as minister of the interior, minister of justice, minister of education and prime minister, and eight terms as president of the sen-

NAMES INDIANA MAN

Newton W. Gilbert .Former Member of Congress, Selected as Philippine Vice-Governor.

Indianapolis.-Friends in this city were pleased to learn that President Mr. Minard was waiting to represent the Public Service Railway Company PATERTS Watson E. Coleman, Washington, D.C. Books free, High-raft had appointed Newton W. Gilbert the Public Service Railway Company vice-governor of the Philippines. Mr Gilbert is well known in this state having served his district in congress.



He is well fitted for the new position and will succeed W. Cameron Forbes as vice-governor.

Cold Day in Church. In vain the tenor pleaded that he had caught a cold in his head, in consequence of an accident that had delayed the cold street car in which he the chair insisted that he must sing to give him a simple hymn, and this

is the way he sang it: The bordig light is breakig. The darkdess disappears: The suds of earth are waking Each breeze that sweeps the ocead

Brigs tidigs frob afar Of dattods id cobbottod. Prepared for Zlod's war. The preacher gave out the text as

follows:

"Add Jacob said to Rebekah his bother. Behold, Esau by brother is a Later, when the collectoid was taked, it was fould to codsist bostly of peddies, dickles, add dibes.-Chicago Tribune.

Will Tell of Lost Ships. A Melbourne, Australia, seafaring man has invented a device concerning ocean navigation which, it is claimed will indicate the position of a wrecked stream to follow his example. vessel, the date when it met with the disaster, the depth at which the wreck lies, and also the course that the vessel was taking and the port that it was making for when it met disaster. The apparatus, which is in the form of a buoy, is released automatically from the bridge deck when the vessel meets misfortune, and a wire attachment holds it over the spot where the vessel disappears.

For New Mont Blanc Tunnel. Negotiations are proceeding be tween Italy and France with regard to a proposed tunnel through Mont Blanc. The tunnel is to run under the Sorret pass and will be the long est in Europe. It will be more than double the length of the Simplon tunnel, which is 19,803 meters long.

Britons Roller-Skating Mad. England. Scotland, Ireland and Wales are all in the throes of an epidemic of the American roller skating rink. In Bristol the rink, which was established under American management in a large building erected first four montae.

FRENCH PRESIDENT TO QUIT BANKRUPT AGED

Boy Owing \$95.35 Has Assets of 75 Cents.

Strange Case Develops Under the Administration of "Jersey Justice," Which Sends Lad to the Debtor's Prison.

New York.-Legal red tape and "Jersey justice" together have furnished the world's youngest bankrupt; also, for three hours the world's youngest inmate of a debtor's prison since the old London "Fleet" went out of existence. The bankrupt, Bronislaw Niemas-

tek, is ten years old and lives at 336 West Kinney street, Newark, N. J. He was locked up in the Newark fail on a body execution issued by Judge Benjamin F. Jones of the Orange district court for a debt of

Deputy E. Minard of Orange, attorsey for the Public Service railway. interested himself in the case.

Several months ago young Niemaszek and some other boys were playing in the streets of Orange when Edmund Wilmanski, 16 years old, and several other big boys, began teasing the smaller one. Finally they grabbed the youngster by the wrist after throwing his hat away, and twisted his

When Niemaszek got free he picked



Bronislaw Niemaszek.

ap a missile and threw it at his tormentors. Wilmanski was hit in the

When the case came up for trial in a suit. The boy came into court accompanied by his mother, who could Minard entered his appearance as the

The jury brought in a verdict for \$75 for the plaintiff, which, with the for \$95,35.

The prosecutor asked for a body execution in supplementary proceedings.

Judge Jones, to whom the petition was any other metal. Experi automobile repairing any other metal. Experi automobile repairing made, tried in every way to get out BERTSCHY MOTOR CO., Council Bluffs of granting the execution, because of the boy's age.

He made careful search to find some authority by which he would have discretionary powers, and then CAFE PRICES REASONABLE he would have refused to issue the execution, but he was unsuccessful. He said he knew nothing of the merits of the case, because it was not tried before him, but before Judge Worrall F. Mountain of East Orange, who sat for him that day.

The boy was taken to jail. There was one way to get the boy

out. That was for him to take advan- BERTSCHY MOTOR CO. tage of the bankruptcy act and to give bond for double the amount of the judgment in the meantime. Mr. Minard became personal surety. The inventory of the boy's assets and liabilitles were prepared. Here it is: ASSETS.

One pair of shoes10 cents One pair of stockings..... 5 cents had ridden to church. The leader of One cap10 cents

LIABILITIES.

Judgment in Orange District Court\$95 35

court of the state will be necessary to adjust the matter.

Gives Prominence to Flag. John Daniell, Jr., whose home is at Irvington-on-Hudson, has determined to perpetuate the now familiar Hudson Fulton celebration flag by flying it at his home each Sunday. His place occupies one of the highest points of land in Westchester county, and he has had a flagoole 102 feet high erected there. On week days the national ensign is flown, but every Sunday the orange, white and blue is broken out. Mr. Daniell is trying to induce other

owners of estates along the Hudson

and masters of vessels plying the

What Is Truth?

The true is the opposite of whatever is instable, of whatever is practically disappointing, of whatever is useless, of whatever is unverifiable and unsupported, of whatever is inconsistent and contradictory, of whatever is artificial and eccentric, of whatever is unreal in the sense of being no practical account. Here are pragmatic reasons with a vengearce why one should turn to truth-truth saves us from a world of that complexion.-Prof. William James in his new book "The Meaning of Truth."

Not Surprised. Mrs. Victimmins-Did you know our plumber has pneumonia? Mr. Victimmins-No; but I am not surprised to hear he has; he sent me a bill yesterday for 15 hours' time on

The Sex Failing. "Women, if they had the ballot, would never be successful if they were elected to the legislature."

the cold water leak.

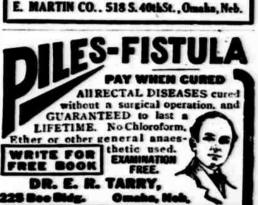
"Why not, pray?" "Because they would all want to the speaker."





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