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ington Common, S. E. b' E. Whe They intended to enlist the night way. An old toff dropped a quid.



I won't have to enlist. Anyway. England couldn't afford to have cannon-ball." Just then Michael McGrabb, the landlord thinking about our pals' faces, that it would be safer to co



Well, seeing no chance to escape, Ben paid up like a shot asl, "I'll have a quid from you, sir," he said. "Vill y tink det you make a histocklums: I vill gif you an LOJ lapdlord. "I'll send the broker's men to turn you out, y



4. And Breezy Ben laughed till he grew tired, about Dutchy being hoofed into the street by a Bet Dutchy could not series up his courage to re screwed up his number plate on Ben's door inst





and are shelling us with pear, cannon-balls, same pans mile! Ow-wow-yow!" "Ha, ha!" conred Dutchy.



Mr. Richard Harding is the wealthy owner of Grey Beauty—awil sown rautheres, trained by a man samed James Band and the arms assend James Band and the good of the to go for a bip round the world in order to recuperate, so he leaves his son Dick to manage his affairs for him. Trainers Bailsy is in the hand of an unorcompulous moneylender named George Sampter, who hate Dick Harding, and the ament Gomes

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The Beturn of Nanotte.
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Mancter, while George Sangster, the moneyman of the Mancter of the Manct

on. He had heard from abroad that his father the land ficured from abroad that his father I made a surprising recovery. The cloud ith had obscured Richard Harding's brain I cleared away. He had regained speech I reason at the same time. His memory was noat an good as of old, Dick's mother told

nm. He was constantly referring to things of the stat with an exactness which showed that he could soon be completely himself again. He ras physically sound, and getting wonderfully of the compa-physically count, and genue, a physically conduced that it meeter all ber to present the conducted that it meeter all ber it to restrain him from plauging into a whist it to restrain him from plauging into a whist it to restrain him from plauging into a whist it for the conducted that it is a super-lated by the conducted that it is all be able to persuade him to do the world's result of the conducted that is a super-ticular to the conducted that is a super-companied to the conducted that is a super-ticular to t impaired incident tithe each flat is excluding impaired incident tithe each. That has morri-fully been sparsed as. His good harmont is about 1. In the control of the contr

Nothing cles mattered.

There was not a word about James Bailey, nothing that Dick could construe into an indicate and of the unbappy trainer. Dick's heart said that the said of the unbappy trainer. Dick's heart said told the train in everything, and that his nidy crime was one we are most of us guilty of—a weakness of character which causes us to bend when an adverse wind bown?

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Dick modered over to the Cottage stables at the with the news. He found the trainer at which has dicke.

In this office, we "I've got great neces-moderful news! My father is coming home-ches recovered from the offices of his in-ternation of the contraction of the con-lent and the contraction of the con-lent state of the con-traction of t

CONCLUDING CHAPTERS.

SECRETS OF THE RACECOURSE

DICK PARDING, CENTLEMAN JOCKEY.

prificent New Story of a Boy's Fight for Fame

By ARTHUR S. HARDY.

true?" he gasued.

"Lead - trans". ** Garged ...

"Guilt ' 1411.** ** Garged ...

"Down into fait chief the trainer designed.

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Bailey's face lit up. He looked at Dick with a beaming smile.

So you love my little girl, do you?" he

open-thing to that offers the new the other darks of the control o

assistedly "abhanced"
"Oh, Diek, how could you;" she murmured,
He took both her hards in his. He glanced
"Dearred," he said: "they had to know. My
father's coming bath, They'll soon he home.
He's fit and we'll again, "And ou! I feel as if I
wife? I had better come now, for I hate being
secretive. I lowy you, Modge—I love you!

wife? It had better con seretive. I love you. Won't you say 'Yes '?" "If—if dad and my —my mother wish it?" sighed the girl.

"That's right! her-kiss her!" sais said the her-kiss her?" said the happy trainer. "I'll go and see your mother, Modge." And off he went, leaving them alone. It was not until some minutes I atter that importance.
"Oh, good gracious!" "THE SECRET -; OF THE :--THAMES!" A Grand Serial Story of

German Espionage. STARTS NEXT

SATURDAY!

"What's the matter?" asked Dick.
"Why, there's a dirty, greaty gips:
Says he wants to see my father. Ihe's brought us news about Nanette!"
"News about Nanette!" cried
setosichness." A recognitive? eried Dick, in News about Nanette!" cr mishment. "Are you sure!" I think it must be!" said she.

I think it must be!" said site.

lick Harding linked his arm with hers.

Let us go and see!" she crick.

hey passed out of the door together, and "Let us go and see! They passed out of went round to the hall

went round to the hall.
Standing upon the stone steps, and tapping a
worroust boot impatiently upon the flags, was
an ill-kempt, dirty, poorly-depressed vagaboud.
He held a dog-whip in his hand, and a lurcher
stood patiently by his side.
The fellow was a shifty-looking rascal, if ever
there was one. He looked sallenly at Marjory
as the reappeared.
The fellow was the margon of the stone of the stone
of the sallen your time, missy!" be

rowled.

Dick Harding strode up to him.

"Now." he cried, "what is it you want

peak out!"
The gipty eved Dick Harding critically.
"Are you the boss here?" he asked.
"My name is Harding. Now, what is it?
"There's a reward offered for the reco amed Nanette-"
well, do you know anything

"Yes. Well, usen, use yes.
about her?"

"Maybe I do, and maybe I don't. What I want to know is, is the offer of the reward genuine? Should I get the money if I put you in the way of getting her back again?"

"Most certainly!"

"Word of Romon.
"Of course, I am personally responded for the reward, and will give it to anybody the horse sound H'm! Perhaps I can give her back to you then!"
Do you mean to say you have got the he "Do you mean to say you mean in your possession?"
"I've got a racedose down at the camp."
all the gipsy, with a jerk of the head. "She just strayed up this morning soon after dray-galloping lirath. She was dead beat. We gave her food and corn, and tied her up, and she is as happy as a bog in a rug. Ther's blood in her, plenty of it. Maybe she's the one you are looking than?

Is the camp far?

"Not very."
"Then I'll come with you," said Dick Hard"Then I'll come to like place at once?"
Still the gipsy besidate? "What about the memory?" he saked.
"Oh, you shall have it. Now, no necessors!
some to the come at once are come to the come at once at once the come at once

ther, blong the winding country lanes they walked perhaps a couple of miles, then they turned cos a footpath, and after a while came to a letted needow near a road. In this a gipty up had been pitched. Men and women and dren were there, with caravan and canvar

aut. All sprang up as they arrived. The gipsy let Dick Harding to the back of a big van, to shich a horse was tethered. "Now, is this the one?" he asked. Dick gave one look, and recognised Nanette netamity. tantly.

The ran to her. He took her soft m
hands and stroked it gently.

Dear old lidy!" he cried. "De

The racehorse whinnied and stamped, a sphed her long tail. She seemed overjoyed seeing her master again.

"How ever did you find her?" asked the

m. "But I did hear tell of a horse-box being held up at a level crossing. Maybe she aped from that. I'd heard about the loss of nette, and the burning down of Mr. Bailey's bles, sir, and so we marched along here in hope that we might claim that reward." Dick looked the horse over, felt her legs, and out hoe aperapently unharmed. found her apparently unharmed.

"You shall have it! You shall have it," he cried—"every penny of it! And I can't tell you how grateful I am to you for bringing her

gipsy smiled now. His eyes danced with "You'll find seasound. She's been well looked after!" he cried. "Trust me to be able attend to a nag. "You ground to have "onder you

to attend to a nag.
And I'm proud to have
been able to render you
a service, sir!"
And in this way
Nanette came back to
ber owner's hands. The
montey was paid that
morning, and Nanette
was led back to the
Cottans Cottage, Dick's next task was to bring the man who'd stolen her to justice. That would not seem to be a difficult job. was an import-ze to be followed shattered horseOn the day when the great liner which brought is father back from foreign parts staward should On me cay when the great liner which brow is father back from foreign parts eteamed slo own the Thames and berthed itself beside color at Tilbury, Dick Harding was early and, awaiting its arrival with expernees, no y med impatience. Searcely had the gangways been run into sol, than he was up one of them, and on col, than he was up one of them, and on

deek.

And it dieln't take him long to find his father, and his mother, and his sister, for his eager eyes soon espeed them where they stood upon the he cried. And he rushed into his arms.
boy, my dear son !" said Richard Hard
hen they hold each other at arm's length

ing. Then they must usen other at our a rengu-and smiled.

"Dick.—Dick, you look just the same as ever!
Not changed a bit?" said the fine old sportman.

"And you, dad, you look as you used it look," faltered Dick, with tears in his eyes.

"Are were suite recovered?" look, "faltered Dick, wnu look, "faltered Dick, wnu look, "faltered Dick, wnu look, "faltered Dick have asked? Did not Richard Harding look as well as man could look? War bis not just his old, active self again? "Ay, my lad," said Richard Harding hearily "Art ready to lake up all my cold hobbies and "And ready to lake up all my cold hobbies and "and the said his safer and his safer and his safer and his safer and his safer." interests again with renewed vigour, I hope."

Dick then kissed his mother and his sister, and asked whether he could look after the

and added whether be could look after the They were soon ashors, the Canton had been assed, and they were free to entrain, assed, and they were free to entrain, assed, and they were free to entrain. "And what about that regne Balley?"

"And what about the season and the season as the se verything, while his father listened.

"I'm not surprised to hear that Sangster anded himself into a mess," said Dick's father t length. "It's a wonder he didn't do no long go. Well, the secondrel has got his wings lipped at last. And so you won the Brocklessy in Nanette, did you, Dick?"

on Nanette, did you, Dick?"
"Yes, sir, and if everything goes well, I shall win the Middle Park Flate on hee, too. She's an atonishing two verva-red, sir. Nothing seems to hurt her. She's stronger, and galloping the collect has been supported by the state of the collect has a stomished father all about the burning down of Balley's stables, and the flight of Bell.

"I sharp, sow that had was a vrong "un."

"I always knew that had was a wrong 'us," said Dick's father. "It was he who pulled Grey Beauty. I believed that Bailey was in the plot at the time, but since I have come to the conclusion that he was innocent. And the policy have never been able to trace Bell—15?"

"They haven't found him yet, father," said Dick.
Upon their arrival at the London terminal
they had the luggage placed in the cleak-room
and, taking juse their bags with them, were
divicen to a London hotel.
Richard Harding wanted to ree the City In
level so well once more before starting for

loved so well once more seven.

Stansford,
They obtained their rooms, and then atc.
Afterwards they valleed about the West End,
victing various thops, and purchasing such
At night they dincel, and it was decided that
they should pay a visit to the theatre, so as to
make up a happy day.

At a little after eight they drove up to the

**Action* in a Lata. At a little atter eight they drove up to un-theatre in a taxi.

There was a crowd of well-dressed people feeking into the vestibule, and a double row o gaping lookers on watched the hadies and gentle-men in evening-dress as they passed into the

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SECRETS OF THE RACECOURSE! -050-(Continued from page 2.)

"Don't hand me over to the police!" shrieked Bell. "Don't! Give me a chasee, Mr. Hard-ing! I haven't done anything wrong!" "That remains to be seen!" said Dock grindy. "Ah, constable "—as a policeman came up— "you're the man I want! I give this lad in charge!"

"gover, the man I wan! I give this had in "What for, sit." What for, sit." What for sit." "His some is Red. II list the table-list who will be a support of the sit. I want to be a support of the sit. I want to be a support of the sit. I want to be a support of the sit. I want to be a support of the sit. I want to be a support of the prisoner. "Now, come about, my lad. I want for you want for you." What is fast, if will be her work for you." What is fast, if we want for you." What is fast, if we want for you want for you want for you want for you want for you." I want for you want for

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possessed. When assessment is resulting on the hard by the father than be weather significant to the second of the why I should go to prison where those was section of enjoy themselves."

"You had accomplices, then, Bell?" and Dick, even the wretched had with a glance of disgast.

"Yes, sir. All I did was to unfasten the gates and let Joe Tarrey in."

"Was Turvey the increadinty?"

"Vas sir."

to let him in, and Mr. Gorge Sangare found money.

"An even began and the state of the desired Disk, with a desired pile, with a desired pile, with a desired pile, with a desired pile and the let a desired pile and the state of the state o

And Bell's mean face streement in a good-sevengeful grin.

"This is a most important statement, sir!"

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George Sangster is at home at the New

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foune, Starsford, at the present moment, and

have no doubt Joe Turrey, the tout, is there

tith him. I shall be obliged to the police if the

ewes of this arrest is kept back, so as not to

"The seed of the server of the policy of the po

case."
It shall be done, sir!" the sergeant of police assured Dick.

Bell completed his statement, and was then taken to the cells, while Dick Harding hurried back to the theatre with the most important

When his father heard it Richard Harding's When has father heard it Richard Harding's stensishment know no beaunds.

"I know that George Sangster was in des-reately bad man, Desk," be creid, "hart lever thought he would go to seeh lengths as ast. Thank goodness we shall be abbe to clip is wings now!"

his wings now!" "Dick," said Dick Harding, "I want to ask "Dick," said Dick Harding, "I want to ask you one question. You remember that you had a lot of notes upon you when you went to the meeting at Netherwell?" "Yes, my hoy—over five hundred pounds' worth!"

"Yes, my 00)
"Sangaster accused James Bailey of stealing
them. If it had not been for me the trainer
would have been arrested on the charge."
"Oh," and Richard Harding, "that is all
nonsense! I remember everything quite clearly (Continued or page 6)

FATA ISTAK

A Special Long, Complete Tale, Dealing with the Further Amazing Adventures of Ferrers Locke, the Great British Detective.

A Terrible Smash.
Ferrers Locke shook ands cordially with his riend Batharst as they at at St. Paneras, and Locke and on the street at St. Paneras. THE FIRST CHAPTER. a visit to an old friend.
They hurried on to the
platform, selected a car-riage, and sprang in as-the train started.
"Off at last!" Bethurst settled himself in the corner of the confectable carriage, as the "Red Express" slowly ong North-country run.
"I can see by your face," he added to his companion, "that the prospect of a week with old Smithson in his haunted Grange is her prompers of a week with old Smithson in his haunted Grange is boring you to death."

"Bother Smithson:" bother retorted Fervers Locke from his corner seat series the otherwise empty compartment." Also bother his infernal gheat. Why on catch the different series were at war with Germann; just to please

son turned his back on them As Jonnson turned his back on them, E amazed to see Ferrers Locke drop a small into his glass. (See Chapter I.)

Germany, just to please Smithson, Heaven only knows!" he finished stream, and the stream of the knows; are irritably; "Also to chase a spook," returned Bathurst "Lab. "Smithson's laid several heavy wagers

to Southaon's place—Penicalite—in one of na motors."

The "Red Express" was flying along on the well-laid track, smoothly as a bird. A few miles south of Carlide a refractory "local" delayed her impatient passage for three minutes. Clear of the obstrution, it gathered speed again defaultly, and set to work to make up for lost

defaulty, and set to work to make up for lost. Balmars settled form in his correct, doing confortably; Locke smaking, and looking with a confortably; Locke smaking, and looking with a stating windows. Here and there a disnly-fit wayside station flashed into vior, and was a stating windows. Here and there a disnly-fit wayside station flashed into vior, and was made to be a stating window of the stating with the way of the glossing track mile. With no warning area never-new stating with the stati

down!
A second's awful pause, then the shricks of te dying rising above the bursting of steam-pes, the crash of falling timber—and tears for the dring rusing above the burshing of atensi-papea, the crash of falling timber—and tears for the dead.

Locke freed himself from a soft, heavy weight, and opened his eyes. The carriage was lying completely on its side, its overturned, dark interior lit by a tiny red tongue of licking flame.

He shock his friend almost roughly. "Come on!" he said quickly. "We must get

"Come on," he aid quickly, "We must get of this work of this work of this work of the work students, passengers on the vereleded express.
As he ran to and fro, Locke became vaguely conscious of a full man, wrapped in a burst, for no overeat, who was varieting the finner cutting their way through the fin from the conting their way through the fin the contingence of the continue of the

Locke snown mu.

Don't stand there, man!" he said sharply.

"Don't stand there man!" he said sharply.

"The wind is blowing the flame this way. Do you want to be roasted alive?"

The man looked round dully, picked up a small hamilisg that lay at his feet, and stepped to the control of the c

"Thanks!" he said shortly. "Can't some-thing be done to put that fire out?"
"Nothing" said Larke thing be done to put that fire out?"
"Nothing," said Locke.
"Site's dead, then?"
The man speke in a low, thick whisper, almost with a tone of question in his veice.
"Soprone in there belonging to you?"

"Soprone in there belonging to you?"
queried Ferrers Locke.
"I-I think so," he answered, with slow hesi-

In this co. The asserved, with dore best-lief transpol exp a sharply, in the very low and the improd exp a sharply, in the control of the thin prod and helpites; but every now and the improd and helpites; but every now and the control of the control of the control of the thin the low with a control of the control of the and was in such that the control of the control and was in such that the control of the control that it is benchmark among the little on the thin as and marced him among the little on the thin and the control of the control of the thin and the control of the control of the thin and the control of the control of the thin and the control of the control of the thin and the control of the control of the Locke yau resed to the further side of the marchy as he had thin, the bag at his feet, marchy as the had thin, the bag at his feet was the control of the large at the two cost, the while feet transport still set in their unseeing starce.

"Quite mad!" said Bathurst, as he turned up beside Locke. "Sheek too much for him, poor beggar! Wonder who was with him in that burnet coach?"

Saturday.

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Locke. "But hers-my aunt's-was in the front "The it is add it? I here determed by the property of the prop van...
"Then I'm afraid it's been destroyed by the

sper, ronds mostly," the man Have they

asked in a hurried whitper and the state of the same read, after a long passe. "Have be nountly," the samewerd, after a long passe. "Have be nountly then the pursue of the samewerd after a long passe. "Have be the question of her identity," said Locke." "A diamond star brooch, with an enter couple of diamond tings, and a pair of diamond couples of diamond tings, and a pair of diamond couples of diamond tings, and a pair of diamond couples of diamond tings, and a pair of diamond couples of diamond tings, and a pair of diamond couples of diamond tings, and a pair of diamond couples of the same laws." with an emerald and convaid currings, shaped like shuncock.

The official who hold the little beap of stones in his hand turned them over sloofs.

"The settings of all but the carrings are gone," he said, holding up a small trinket shaped like a leaf.

Lotke leaned forward and looked at the carring with a swith, keen glante of his shread earing with a swith, keen glante of his shread and the control of the co

"Secretary and the second of t

on earth have you tripped into now? The cause of the accident is plain enough—a mistaken signal and a goods train on the main "It strikes me," interrapted Ferrers Locke,
"that I've tripped into as deep a mystery at
it's been my loc to come across for some time,
and I mean to see it through. There are is
cleations that beat for this smash a well-thought
out and deliberate murder would have been
abled to have a seen the stripped of the seen to be the seen to b o that already too-long list of und erimes which disgraces our boast

vilisation."
Bathurst looked at him in asto (Castianed on name 6)























vs. I was deriving my cue along the raiber recovers a committee the raiber from the raiber fro m it. The face I saw was the face of George agaster. Shortly afterwards everything came a blank, and I remember nothing arrly until I avoke, to find myself lying in the n on the deck of a liner. "So Sangster was the "So Sangster was the thief! Sangster was e villain! It was always Sangster—Sang-et!"

bick felt an indefinable sense of relief steal ver him as he thought of pretty Marjory, and callsed that her father's hands were clean. It sade all the difference.

Dick felt that his marriage would be a happy one now.
" Dad—dad—dad," he said, " you don't know
what this news means to me!" "What should it mean to you in particular?" ked the father, eyeing his son critically. "I have fallen in love with Marjory Bailey!" said the boy, flushing to the roots of his

sir.
Richard Harding booked hard at Dick,
reunted, but said nothing.
He knew Marjery, and liked her. He eviently did not disapprove.

xt morning as George Sangster breakfast, with Joe Turvey see the rascal always dined with " now—the door was sudde manservant who opened it looked rather

f. That is it, John?" asked the moneyle "What is it, John's "asked the moscy-lender." It's the policy, sir! "Police!" exclaimed Sangster, keping to his ed.. "What the deuce do you mean?" the common state of the common state of

if Bell had concessed was a go lost.

"Joe," he cried, making a grimace at Turvey, "the pame's up! It means a long sentence for both of us!"

And then, with many a curse, he accompanied had then, with many a curse, here to the companied of the pame of the pa ster it again. Bell, Turvey, and George Sangster took their

ether. rst one received twelve months' im-nt, Taurvey got five years', and Sangster prisonment, fairrey got five years, and Sangere has an activated the New Hones was put up for sale, but nobody would bay it. The gentlem of the country land in fairs for the place. It soon fell into a dilapidated condition. It soon fell into a dilapidated condition. Hardings, and with James Blaive, who, since he was assured of Rehard Harding's forgive. Nizer the trained on into the worderful filly the put of the property harding the property her yields of the land of the harding and who was the land of the harding and who have the harding and the harding and harding and harding and harding h

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e did in all her races.

And is Dick happy now? Yes. Marjory sees

that. She is as charming as she is pretty.

veryone loves her.

She has only one fault. She is inclined to be

values. You cyclaim. Well, rather. Vouldn't you be justless if someone you bered ared just as much for a more necketse as he add for you?

I she did for his trainer. And you can hardly blame him, can you?

THE END. (Next Saturday the opening instalment of "The Sacret of the Thames!" will appear in CHUCKLES. On no account must you miss reading this grand new Serial Story.)

THE RECOND CHAPTER,
They found the hord fail of people, relative and fronten, mostly of the transe of the read first, and the content of the read of t

"Right you are," said asking you why, I suppo "Not in the least."

A FATAL MISTAKE!

It's described to Quisic, of her models death—such that grained from his place.

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Forest Look. "Simply a water of valuable De degree the little erpoil in the effect of the contract throat at all the state of the contract throat at the state of the laborator for laborator for the laborator for laborator fo

No. Ferrers Locke saw him up to his room, and

Ferrets Locks saw him up to his room, and then rejoined Bathuist downstants." "Queried that on earth are you up to?" queried the control of the control to the control of the part of the control of the

said Bathorst testily, "I'm freed of all these mystrice," on mystrice, and the watth.

"I'll give him half as hour," be said. "Hell be fast adopt by these. New what do you warm met to explain thourst shortly.

"I'll give him half as hour," be wish. I have gone, it is a case of sheer logical definer of the said better than the said better half as a far as I have gone, it is a case of sheer logical defining-care list might. He was during a slose, and making notes from a sailing list of boats and the said half the said and half the said at the next halbe to sai I had plenty of exportantly for tudying him—simply out of life cerroisty, I saim. I thought so more-

4; (Continued from page 3.) "Murrier!" he said incredisously. "Who's been mordered," Not that poor woman they found just now hurst to ender, with all new "No," said Lokes shoetly. "She wasn't murriered. I'm desel tired," he added, in a vect we walk over and far up rooms for the night. Come along. By the way, my, named melectated, I don't want to turn up there as Ferrers Locke."

"Juliphi way, "aid Bushitta." No use "Juliphi way, to space a "Juliphi way, to space a "Juliphi" way. I suppose!" was inside the carriage before it was well ablaze. Yet he didn't. He stood and watched the free for over an hour, and until I spoke to him free for over an hour, and until I spoke to him pursel on the state of the state of the pursel of the state of the luggage he said that hers was in the front van. He made no mention of his own. If they were travelling together to the same pince their ingages would all be together.

"But—"" "so' would all be together."
"Wait a minute," said Locke, "I grant you that these reflections of mine led nowrestill I saw the jewels found near the body. Did you happen to notice anything particular about the earring!"
"No."

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"In that case her nephew weald hardly be able to say off-hand—as he did—which jewels she had with her. Arguing on these lines, it follows that, as only one body was found in that follows that, as only one body was found in that bedy as his aun't, and identifying it by the jewels found beneath it—before he had see them, mised—was telling a ready-made lie." "For what possible reason?" queried

Bathurst.

"I'll come to that later. Let me finish with the buggage question first. When Johnson realised that the front van was burned to the ground—not before—he said that it had con-

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to be on me.

Miss Stuart's could be the one may me.

Then you think the jewels did belong to
Johnson's aunt?" said Bathurst, with a puzzled

plete change of plans. If it suddenly occur to him, when he realised that the carriage w on fire, that the charved remains of the wom in it could be identified as his aunt by on incontestable proof, he would be cleared of suspicion which might subsequently artie as her disappressure.

"Other facts he told us just how strengther my argument. You remember he said his am was very eccentric. That she upent all her life that himself. I have a simple matter for binn, with his medical knowledge, to carry out his intentions skiffally, and as serverly ge rid of the body. I am going to London to the control of the body. I am going to London to the control of the body. I am going to London to the control of the body. I am going to London to the control of the body. I am going to London to the body. I am going to London the body. I am going t

"A fairly tail ower" and Budmart. "Low "I willing this," returned Forers Locke, "I willing this," returned Forers Locke, "I willing the property of the state of the state that the part of the state of the state of the locked at his, "saidt," "Northy half-gast states by the state of the state of the state to the state of the state state of the state of the state of the state to the state of the state state of the state of the state of the state that the state of the state state of the state of the state of the state that the state of the state of the state of the state that the state of the state of the state of the state that the state of the state of the state of the state that the state of the state of the state of the state that the state of the stat

"Did you find anything in the room?"
"A receipt for a package deposited at Victoria Station," returned Locke," his London address, and a nice little collection of diamonds." diamonds.

They arrived at St. Panersa at three o'clock. Ferrers Blake drove straight to Victoria Station, and handed in the chreck for the station, and handed in the chreck for the pecket-book.

The package turned out to be a small portnanteas. Locke placed it in his faxi, and told be man to go to Bifferd Mansions, Finisho.

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Ferrers, Locke tapped the walls, the floors, and hearths carefully, opened upboards, under to heart of the walls and hearths carefully, of the property of the season of the main body common was a braiding of the season bed to the season of the season of

would destroy anyboay, swe have a supersonable of the forced the lock, and turned over the constant states slowly. A complete outfit of a woman clothes was neatly packed into it, the marking on the linear carefully cut away. Beneath the clothes was a bulky brown-paper parcel when the constant of the c clothes was a be Locke cut the strin a quantity of broke forth a restring and opened it, revealing broken dark-green glass, giving t smell. he said tersely, "which held the

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"At this point I drop the case, and Scotlans Yard takes it up. There is little doubt as to the

Suborquent events proved the truth of the great electrive's deductions. Dr. Ragee-John son was, as all the world knows, receasily hanged, and the body of the woman in the train identified, by what remained of the head, as the wife of a Jamaka coffee planter.

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THE FIRST CHARTER

You?"
His father, a tall, broad-shouldered Britisher, stepped into the cabin and sank wearly down on a wooden lepsch in front of the smouldering the interior of the mouldering the interior of the rough but constrained abode. He was pale and kaugard of face, and blood dripped from a wound in his chest, to which he pointed with a gesture of gram within the pointed with a gesture of gram and the constraints.

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"They weren't Servians," Duncan Bransley plied, as Tom attended to his wousd, "but soats from across the Austrian border." The lad darted a quick look at the speaker.
"Then has war broken out?" he impuired.
"Then has 'a booken out?" "Tooken and Bransley." "Those "Then has war besken out?" he inquired.
"Without a doubt," and Beauder, "Those
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we must make our way down to the coast."
"You'd not be able to move yet admin," Toos
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most day."
"We must stay here, in any case, for a feet
most day."
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that no ware effects from the shot-wound than
"I'll be all itself after a good sleep," he
"I'll be all itself after a good sleep,"

"I'll be all right after a good sleep," he aid, as he smoked his pipe in front of the ire; "and maybe we can start in the morn-

form; "and snaple we can start in the morning of the property ere had been talk of war between Austria

and Servis for some time, and now that it had once Tom was not surprised, and source only ceause of the serious interruption it would ause in the surveying work he and his father rece engaged in.

The cabin they were in stood in the midst of a wild and lonely country many miles from the coust, which could only be reached after a long and arduous journey. At any time travelling was dangerous, now it would be far more so. and actional portury. At all these travelines are all the control of the control

The rifles!" whispered Bransley, "Onick, feeth them?"

But even as Tom turned to secure the rifles, which were on the back of the pack male, the rostle of the grass changed to a noisy cracking, rostle of the grass changed to a noisy cracking, forward, attering flores, warlike cries. Brannley and his son offered a stubbon resistance but they had no chance, and were specifyl over-powered and made prisoners. Their captors were mountain bandits, been men, who delighted in deeds of robb oid violence, seizing upon any pretext for ulgenteein lawless pursuits.



re leader of the band, a truenless, swagger-ndividual, wearing the gaudy uniform of an rian officer of irregular eavalry, stepped up to prisoners, and stared at them with an lips. e English dogs!" he said, black moustache. smile on his lips, o more of the English dogs," he said, r the ends of his long black moustache, y faith, but we find them overywher is used, an outlandish spot as this. But the English are, 'he solded, a crab the the supplies of the condition of the condi-sion of the condition of the condi-tion of the condition of the condition of the condi-tion of the condition of the condition of the condi-tion of the condition of the condition of the condi-tion of the condition of the condition of the condition of the condi-tion of the condition of the

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"By what right." We man, Brandey rejoined. "We man, be be here, and unless you releayou will suffer dearly for it. We man say, and England has who are her child. "By what right do you treat us so?" ransky rejoined. "We have a perfect right be here, and unless you release us instantly su will suffer dearly for it. We are English, you say, and England has a long arm to otect those who are her children. aer chi, ughing umb.

you are prisoners, lia trial. But money," he How much have y
"None at all,"
me, if you like," Bransley answered, " Search

me, if you like."

He spoke the truth, for Tom carried what little amount of money they had with them; and the kandit did not think of searching the lad. He decided, however, to space their lives for a time in the hope of securing a ranner. When that was done they should both be executed as piece.

executed as spices.

He gave a curt order to his men, who, oping the prisoners wrist to wrist, drove them toogs a steep, rugged track leading towards a reat forest. From what they heard, Duncan wrantle and his son learned of the outbreak it the mighty struggle in which Great Biftain as taking a leading part, and both of them Bounder, and his one barried of the outlets of the might surgice in which force in British was of the might surgice in which force in British were saided with a law ingred wide of their control in her hour of triad-in-flect them. They were expand, far from all promise source of being, but Brimshe have that would be given a fine exportancy of regional proposed one of the said of the said

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menced treeing his wrist from the rope that was around it.

At last the lad succeeded in his effort. Draw

At most the lad succeeded in his effort. Dexe-ing a charp-kine from his pocket, he opened it, and severed the rope that bound his father. Both of them were free.

"In the proper of the proper of the rising cautionsly to his feet, "We shall give them the slip, after all, dad."

Moring swiftly but noiselessly, they approached the spot where the horses of the sounts were picketed, unloosed two of the best, and elimbed lightly into the scaletts, with a single pro-

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"Go on Torn! he cried. "Save yourset.
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to the task of overtaking the fugitive, on, expert hors man though he was, dis-d that they were slowly but surely gain-him. There were seven or eight of

THE SECOND CHAPTER. In The Nick Of Time!

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loss, and women every result is save secret until Turning away from the spot, the lad rode on. He was familiar with the country right down to the coast, but long before reaching it be would return with him to the rescue of his father. The far-away booming of cannon his father. The far-away booming of cannon the him that fighting was somewhere in progress, and has young heatt best high with thrilling and heat young heatt best high with thrilling

own country was engaged, and already he had listinguished himself in it.

distinguished himself in it.

"It won't be so easy getting back to England now," he murmured; "and I'm not save that I want to go. There'll he plenty of hot work to be done out here. The Servisus are our allies in a way, for they're fighting the same enemy, and I shall volunteer to serve with them in the field."

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Energying from the forcet, Tom came out or to a rolling plain, with a secontain range in the background. Arrow which he could see for miles to the plain, with a secondaria range from of a rolling plain, with a secondaria range from of a second seed of the plain of the p

strangers.

"They may be either Austrians or Servian."
he thought, "Perhaps the viscest thing will be for me to risk back into cover, and stay there until I know who they really are."
This course of action, however, was stayed by the arrival on the scene of five mounted scouts, who, coming up on the edge of the forest, caught sight of Tom, and rode at him like a whire wind.

wherekind. They were Servians, who, directly Tom Beambly made himself and hie nationality known to them, gave him a cordial welcome. He was taken to the officer in charge of the main column, to whom he related what had hap-pened to him.

"Your father shall be rescued," said the officer, "and you shall lead us to the spot where he was taken prisoner. Perchance he is still then." there."

He node this remark in order to hearten

Forn, for his secret opinion was that Dunean

Bransley would never he heard of again, or

that, if he were, it would be news of a dead

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In the scorching glare of the August sun. Duncan Bransley, his arms crossed and bound belind his back, stood in front of a high rock that marked the temporary camping-place of his

fired twee at the bound and neighbor man, earn shot narrowly missing his head.

The load shout of mocking laughter that arose was taken by Brandey to mean that his enemies were joering at the bad performance of the markmen; but he was wrong, for it was he himself who was the object of their man.

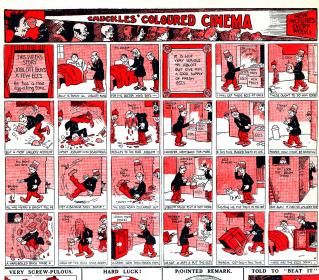
mirth. Assother fired, and again the doomed captive closed his eyes, expecting to feel the sudden punps of death. Once more there range out the socking peal of mirth. Then Bransley began to understand; but this did not ease his mental forture, and he suffered as few men are called appen to suffer as rifle after rifle was levelled at

him.
Singly and all together the bandits fired, the bullets smashing against the rock until there was a perfect outline of Brandey's form marked upon it. Smakenly the disabeliast poor cased at a horseman appeared on the secue, and, bending from his saddle, said seosething in a forried votce to the outlaw in command. a hirried voice to the outlaw in command.

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THE EXD.





"Are ye no ashamed o' yersel', Ham makin' sie a elatter wi' yer hammerin' the Sawbath!" "But, isso, I maon mend pig-stye door." "Well, I don't like Sunday work. It's verra wicked! Co.



"I lost a purse yesterday!" "Oh?
Was there much in it?" "Dunno! An



"Hello, Joe, you're jest in time! Will you have some o' this somp?" "Yes, I'll have a mouthful!" "Will you indeed!



Hosa Keeper (to applicant for heater's job): "Have you ever done any beating before?"

Applicant: "Yes, sir! I was for two years with Briggs & Co., carpet beaters!"

LITTLE LOO LUMMEE AND HIS LUCKY LAMP.



1, "Oh, look bere!" cried some Boy Scoats to Lammes. "German spiss have, in our absence, et court!" "What a dire t life! "said Leo." (I by helr



2. And Lummer went to Daisy Dimple,



 Then Lummee brought out his lucky lamp and gave jolly old brush-up, and wished the doll's-house was the six a cow-shed. And so the little Boy Secuts were made happ

"said Daisy, overcome by his handsome face. a cow-shed. And so the little Boy Secuts were made.

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