OR, THE GIRL IN

iy it will only add to the danger.'

"You have apparently of late be-

"With some distinctly evil pur-

"Is that intended as a threat?"

"Take it as such if you wish," the

brought exposure upon us. We have

actions and letters, but he has, it

"And if he does know the truth-

"Even though he may be an idiot

his mouth is better closed," her

self. Forewarned is forearmed.

body will believe him."

companion growled.

come closer friends. For what rea-

"You will see later."

ambiguously.

CHAPTER XXVIII,—(Cont'd)

"To talk like that is useless," she responded. "Remember that he knows something."

"Something, yes. But what?" "He knows more than we think."

"Where is he now?"

"Nobody can discover. I saw son?" him once, but he has disappeared. They say he's a wandering lunatic. He left Denbury suddenly after pose, I have no doubt," she observshowing signs of madness, and al- ed, "but remember that I have no though that terror of a woman, his further interest in any of your fuwife, strove to trace him, she was ture schemes." unsuccessful. His insanity, coupled He grunted dubiously. with the fact that financial ruin "Now that you think our forovertook him suddenly apparently tunes have changed you contempreyed upon her mind. She fell ill, plate deserting us, eh?" he snapand according to a letter I received ped. "A single word to the Prince from Gedge a few days ago, she and you would conclude your cadied suddenly of an aneurism, and reer rather abruptly, I'm thinkwas buried last Thursday at Bud- ing." leigh Salterton. The announcement of her death was in yester- she inquired in a calm voice. day's papers."

I listened to those words open- man responded angrily. "Through mouthed. My wife was dead! Then your confounded bungling you've I was free!

With my strained ear close to the only you to thank for it. You know thin wood of the door I stood me quite well enough to be aware their leave, apparently with many drawer at the end of the bureau, breathless, fearing that they might that when I make threats they are of those gesticulated reassurances and opening the box, took out the distinguish the rapid beating of my never idle ones." heart.

"Your ingenuity has always been quainted with me to know that I extraordinary, madame," he said, never run unnecessary risks." reflectively, "but in this last affair "I know you to be a devilishly corridor I succeeded in obtaining a I took my own letter and affixed a you have not shown your usual clever woman," he said. "But in very good view of the interesting stamp I glanced eagerly at the adtact."

"In what manner?"

in you, yet you sit idly here, and is through your own folly. You deep voice. He was a short, thick- ry's Road, Hampstead, N.W." profess yourself unable to assist attempted to mislead him by your him."

nevertheless, you still consider the you." Prince your friend. That is curious!" she remarked, with a touch even, indeed, if he dared to inform of sarcasm.

moff's doings. His Highness is "He was blind, and therefore saw ther cheek and shaven chin. He trunk, but had changed her mind, powerless to control the Ministry nothing. He is now mad, and noof Police."

"And you believe that you will be safe in England?" she inquired du-

biously. "I believe so, providing that I exercise care," he responded. Af- seen man's intention was apparent- again, and when the chambermaid ter to-night it is best that we should, iy to make a further attempt upon responded, saidremain strangers - you under- my life. But I chuckled within mystan ??"

"Of course." "And Mrs. Anson and her charge? Are they at a safe distance?"

course I assisted him."

They both laughed in chorus. But her words in themselves were sufficient proof that she feared the result of our re-union. They impressed upon me the truth of my suspicion, namely, that Mabel held the key to the enigma.

man, evidently referring to me.

the affair took place," she answer-"What?" gasped her companion in alarm. "That can't be. He was

stone blind, you said!" "Certainly he was. But by some

means—how, I can't say—he ascer-tained at least one fact." "Did he make any remark to you?"

The mention of Mrs. Anson and important sale. her charge held me breathless. The conversation I might obtain some

visitor reflectively at last.

"To much, I fear," she answered. No doubt she recollected how I had expressed my determination send to our Regina office for to go to Scotland Yard.

Again there was a prolonged

"Roesch has arrived in London. man.

tain early intimation of Oustromoff's intentions, and after warning me, escaped the same evening. He took steamer, I heard, from Trieste to London."

ing it, announce the arrival of an- five. other visitor-a Mr. Roesch.

"Why, I wonder, has he sought you here?" exclaimed the man when the waiter had gone. "He must have some important news!"

Next moment the door was again thrown open, and the new arrival entered.

All three spoke quickly together in a foreign tongue. The man Roesch then made a brief statement which apparently held his two companions for some moments speechless in alarm. Then again they all commenced talking in low confidential tones in that strange language -Slav I believe it was.

"Why associate yourself further Whatever it might have been, with that man?" she urged. "Sure- and although I understood no word of it, it brought back vividly to my "What concerns myself likewise memory the indelible recollection of concerns him," he answered rather the night of the tragedy at The Bol-

> I listened attentively. Yes, there was no mistake-those tones were the same that with my sharpened paper, and then descending, postfamiliar. That trio of voices were ears I had overheard conversing in the inner room immediately before the commission of the crime.

I have said that my nerves were shattered. All the past was a torturing memory to me, but the quintessence of that torture was my failure to discover my love. I believed that she alone could supply the solution of the enigma, and Office, sir," he answered. "But we bettom of it, which will be flush what truth there was in that su- have a key to it." spicion you shall duly see.

speak in that foreign tongue for me. It is most important that the perhaps half an hour, during which addressee should not be charged for period I was unable to form any its postage. I regret that my abidea of the trend of the newcomer's sent-mindedness should give you

"And you are sufficiently well ac-foreigner. I extinguished my light contained, and spread them upon and opened my door cautiously. As the desk. Among them were two they passed on their way down the square, pale-blue envelopes. your dealings with that man Hea- pair. They were talking together, dresses of both. ton you showed weakness-a cow- and I distinguished the man who One bore the superscription: "A warrant is out against you; seems, been a little too shrewd for gold albert across his ample vest. fully within me. They were— His companion, whose name was apparently Roesch, was consider-

> the police-what direct evidence build, erect, thin-faced, with long stairs, and paid my bill. t: his companion.

brought to her as usual in the morn- caught the ten forty-five express His words startled me. This un- ing, but about ten o'clock she rang for London.

"Here are two letters. Post them for me in the box in the

waiter tap at the door, and open- bill at once. I leave at ten forty-

"Yes'm." And the girl departed to post the letters.

To whom, I wondered, were those letters addressed? Within my mind I strove to devise some plan whereby I could obtain a glance at the addresses. The box, however, was only at the foot of the stairs, therefore ere I could resolve upon any plan the girl had dropped them into it, and I heard her linen flounces ish warship Lutine in 1797, near the beating along the corridor again. Island of Terschelling, off the cost Those letters were in the post, and beyond my reach.

She had written those two missives during the night, and after the departure of her visitors. They had, no doubt, some connection The new device is a great steel tube with the matter which the trio had s · earnestly discussed in that tantalizing foreign tongue.

In hesitancy I remained some little time, then a sudden thought occurred to me. I addressed an envelope to the hall-porter of my tackle. club, enclosing a blank sheet of ed it. The box was placed outside Messrs. Forrest and Co., shipbuildthe bureau, and the instant I had dropped the letter in I turned, as though in anger with myself, and, ber of the firm, "will be clamped entering the bureau, said to the to the side of a steamship or barge.

"I've unfortunately posted a letter without a stamp. Have you the touches the bottom. Then, by means key of the box?"

"The box belongs to the Post be forced from the chamber at the

"Then I should esteem it a favor The three voices continued to if you would recover my letter for this trouble."

Then I heard the visitors taking | The clerk took the key from a

"His Highness places confidence ard's weakness. All that he knows had first called upon Edna by his "Mr. P. Gechkuloff, 98 King Henset, black-bearded man of forty, Upon the other were the words well dressed in black, with a heavy which caused my heart to leap joy-

> "Miss Mabel Anson, Langham Hotel, London." older, about fifty-five or so, of spare I posted my letter, hurried up-

"Most certainly. It was Oustro- can he give, pray?" she queried. grey whiskers descending from ei- Edna had already packed her wore a frock-coat and silk hat, and and did not intend leaving Hull was of a type altogether superior that day. I heard her inform the chambermaid of her intention of re-The woman Grainger's coffee was maining, then I left the hotel, and

(To be Continued.)

The bare idea of getting bald is

DEVICE TO RECOVER GOLD.

Sunk 100 Years Ago in a British Warship.

To the mouth of the River Colne, off Brightlingsee, England, an extraordinary machine was towed and anchored the other day. It is to be used in a final attempt to recover the \$2,500,000 treasure of gold, in coins and bars, which is said to have gone down in the Britof Holland.

A portion of the treasure has keen recovered, but an ordinary dredging plant is now useless, as the vessel has sunk into the sand. nearly 100 feet in length, and wide enough to allow a man to walk erect down its centre. At one end is a metal chamber provided with windows and doors, and at the other a medley of giant hooks and other

The appartus has just been completed, after years of work, by ers, in their Wyvenhoe yard. "One end of the tube," explained a mem-The other end, by means of water ballast tanks, will be sunk until it of compressed air, all the water will upon the bed of the sea.

"Divers will walk down a stairway in the centre of the tube until they reach the submerged chamber. Here they will don their diving costumes, and, opening a series of watertight doors, will step straight cut into the water. Engineers will he stationed in the chamber, and following the instructions of the divers, who will communicate with of respect which mark the shallow half-dozen or so letters which it them by means of portable telephones, they will operate the mechanism of two powerful suction pumps or dredges which are fitted to the sides of the tube. These dredgers, it is hoped, will suck away the sand around the sides of the heavy chamber until it gradually sinks by its own weight right down on the dock of the wrecked slip. Then the divers, making their way from the chamber to the deck of the ship, and thence to the hold, will be able to transfer the treasure from the ship to the chamber by easy stages.

> The great ocean liner rolled and pitched. "Henry," faltered the young bride, "do you still love me?" "More than ever, darling," was Henry's fervent answer. Then there was an eloquent silence. "Henry," she gasped, turning her pale, ghastly face away, "I thought that would make me feel better, but it doesn't!"

## Just at that moment I heard the bureau, and tell them to send my distasteful to any man. Acres at Auction! Are they at a safe distance? "Yes. When I met Heaton he inquired after them. He particularly wished to discover them, and of

RICHEST CANADA WHEAT LAND of THE SASKATOON & WESTERN LAND CO., Ltd.

## "What does he know?" asked the annewer of the spot where the is aware to be a spo October 12-13-14-15-16-17.

RAILROAD ROUND TRIP FRHE FOR BUYERS.

"Of course he did. He gave me to understand that he was acquainted within ten miles of an up-to-date railroad, to be offered at auction. They have been retailing at \$10 to ed with the details of the whole affair."

A long silence fell between them. The mention of Mrs. Anson and The miles of an up-to-date railroad, to be offered at auction. They have been retailing at \$10 to the miles of an up-to-date railroad, to be offered at auction. They have been retailing at \$10 to the miles of an up-to-date railroad, to be offered at auction. They have been retailing at \$10 to the miles of an up-to-date railroad, to be offered at auction. They have been retailing at \$10 to the offered at auction. They have been retailing at \$10 to the offered at auction. They have been retailing at \$10 to the offered at auction. They have been retailing at \$10 to the offered at auction. They have been retailing at \$10 to the offered at auction. They have been retailing at \$10 to the offered at auction. They have been retailing at \$10 to the offered at auction. They have been retailing at \$10 to the offered at auction. They have been retailing at \$10 to the offered at auction. They have

Who knows but that some of these rich, fertile "charge" referred to was evidently Mabel. I only hoped that from this convergation I might obtain some

Conversation 1 might obtain some clue to the whereabouts of my darling.

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This land was especially selected-its title is from | agent. still at his post in the Ministry at Sofia," she said in a tone of surprise.

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