

A Cat's Paw

Or, The Maid of the Mill

CHAPTER XXX.

I remember long ago to have witnessed a thrilling drama called by my memory...

to speak, and tempered into steel, yet one image, that of Norah Welby, the fair young girl he remembered so vividly...

Gerard, then, ruined and almost broken-hearted, must have had no resource left but for a sum of money received through Messrs. Goldsmith...

But men get used to hard usage from Fortune, as from any other foe. After the second time or so, nobody cares a fig for a knock-down blow...

The plan had many advantages; not the least of them being the probability that the adventurers would never come back.

And fair Alice lies under the stone, that the drop caught in that shaggy beard, and glistening in the fire-light, was a tribute of memory to the delicate beauty of pale, haughty Mrs. Vandeleur...

feet on the hard quay, and kissed his brown, weather-beaten hands, calling him an angel from heaven all the time!

(To be continued.)

JAMAICA NEGROES.

Much Humor and Philosophy in Their Quaint Maxims.

The Jamaica negroes have a lingo of their own. They laconically express thoughts of wisdom which would do credit to King Solomon.

When you have put yourself out to do a kindness and that kindness has been entirely unappreciated, how well does this apply: "De good you do, de tankey (thanks) you get."

Other proverbs that need no explanation are as follows: "When cockroach give dance him no invite fool." Naturally, for fool would eat him.

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MAY BE ACTION AT SEA

Damaged Russian Vessels Being Rapidly Repaired.

AUTHENTIC NEWS.

A despatch to the London Times from Wei-Hai-Wei gives what is evidently authentic accounts of the already lengthy reported bombardment of Vladivostok and Port Arthur.

NO BATTLE YET.

A report was circulated in London on Saturday of a battle on the Yalu and the capture of 1,800 Japanese.

RUSSIA'S GREAT ARMY.

An official statement issued from the Russian military headquarters on Friday says that 536,000 men including artillery and cavalry, will be concentrated in the Far East by May 25.

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230,000 RUSSIAN TROOPS ARE NOW CONCENTRATED BETWEEN HARBIN AND PORT ARTHUR.

CHINESE ATTACK POST.

A Yinkow despatch to the London Daily Telegraph states that several hundred Russian troops have been added to those in the forts at the mouth of the river.

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RUSSIA WANTS SHIPS.

The Berlin Vossische Zeitung says it learns that Russia has approached German and other ship-building firms with the view to building 12 destroyers.

WIDESPREAD IN EFFECT.

The last bombardment of Port Arthur is declared to have made every part of the fortified area unsafe.

TESTING THE SHIPS.

The St. Petersburg correspondent of the Echo de Paris telegraphs that the report that the Port Arthur squadron is trying to join the Vladivostok squadron is due to the repeated sorties at Port Arthur, where by Admiral Makaroff is testing his ships and officers.

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LEADING MARKETS.

The Ruling Prices in Live Stock and Breadstuffs.

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Milled—Is steady at \$17.50 for cars of shorts and \$16.50 for bran in bulk middle freights west or east.

Barley—Is steady at 45c for No. 2, 44c for No. 3, and 42c for No. 2 west or east.

Buckwheat—Is steady at 52c for No. 2 west or east.

Rye—Is steady at 57c to 58c bid for No. 2, and 60c asked west or east.

Corn—The market is firmer. Canada mixed is quoted at 28c, and yellow at 32c f.o.b. cars west.

Oats—Are steady. No. 1 white are quoted at 34c, and No. 2 white at 33c east. No. 2 white are quoted at 32c high freights west and 33c middle freights.

Peas—Are steady at 65c for No. 2 west and 66c east. Choice milling and seed peas are quoted at 70c outside.

COUNTRY PRODUCE.

Butter—Quotations are unchanged. Creamery, prints ... 20c to 22c do solids ... 19c 20c Dairy, lb. rolls, choice ... 15c 17c do large rolls ... 15c 17c do to good to choice ... 16c 17c do medium ... 13c 14c do poor ... 10c 12c Cheese—The market here is quoted unchanged at 11c to 11c for twins and 10c to 11c for large.

Eggs—Receipts to-day were fair, but the consumption is heavy, and everything is being absorbed as it comes in. Twenty-two cents was the prevailing price to-day.

Potatoes—Cars on the track here are quoted at 85c to 90c. Potatoes out of store are quoted at \$1.10 to \$1.15.

Poultry—Receipts are light in all lines, and the market is quiet and unchanged at 15c to 16c for choice chickens, 9c to 11c for scalded stock, 7c to 8c for old fowl, and 12c to 14c for turkey gobblers.

Fish—Quotations are unchanged as follows:—Labrador, barrels, \$5.50 to \$6; half-barrel, \$3; herring, 4c to 5c per lb. cod, 5c to 6c per lb.; haddock, 7c to 8c per lb.

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