curt order: "Make it your job to find

secure sent, but before he could speak.

his employer went on again, changing the topic abruptly, but still keeping

"What sort of a screw has gone

loose in your deal with the railroad

men? Williams got two cars of co-

ment and one of steel the day before

yesterday three hours after the stuff

"Dougherty, the yardmaster, took

"Maxwell is a thick-headed ass!"

exploded the faultfinder. "His entire

railroad outfit, from President Brew-

ster down, is lined up on the other side

of the fight. But go on with your

dickering. Jerk Dougherty into line.

The bard-faced man who looked as

if he might be a broken-down gambler.

unfointed his leg-hold upon the tilted

chair and went out; and a few minutes

passed for a railroad clerk out of a

. "I shadowed the colonel, as you told

ditch project. He was trying to sell

some treasury stock. His one-horse

cated by Lanterby.

a raise in Red Butte?"

with a sharp stick."

with decision.

back yesterday, didn't he?"

The plot which Eastern capi-

talists have made to steal the ir-

rigation ditch from the original

owners is unfolded in the next

installment, John Smith acts

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

Negroes Taken to France as Fighters

and Laborers Will Go Back Home

a Different People.

The transportation of great numbers

of pegroes from the British and French

domnine in Africa to serve as both

fighters and laborers in France during

the war is expected to have a very

marked effect on this entire African

ple, for they are learning agriculture

and a good deal about industry and

the organizations and institutions of

It would not do to assume that he-

cause this African dominion is in area

as great as the best section of North

America it is destined ever to develop

so great an importance in the world.

That is utterly impossible by reason

It does not possess anything like the

Great regions are under the trop-

natural riches of central North Ameri-

ics, densely forested with all sorts of

Gargle From Sage.

A simple and efficacious gargle is

made from sage. Put thirty leaves into

a jug, pour on them a pint of boiling

buif an hour, add two tablespoonfuls

inix, then strain and bottle. It should

Beginning Early.

"Father, aren't little girls silly?"

I were thinking you might like to have

"Thanks, father; but don't trouble

on my account, because I've got all

An Explanation.

Charlotte were sented for dinner, Brad-

his head and said : "Amon, God, Char

Charlotte had been taught to say the

When the father and mother of

a little sister."

"Do you think so, son? Mother and

much more rapid than in the past.

population after the war.

BENEFIT AFRICANS

him, and I want him right now."

the bank roll I slipped him, all right

Again Lanterby tried to explain.

came in from the East."

he's scared of Maxwell."

within the faultfinding boundaries.

thoughtfully.

## RFAL MAN

By FRANCIS LYNDE

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A large, calm-eyed, sensible matron.

some ten or a dozen years younger

and snewy papery. Out of the past a

thousand tentacles were reaching up

to drag Smith back into the net of the

conventional. When the table-talk be-

came general, he found himself Jointug

in, and always upon the lighter side

He found himself drawn more and

more to the calm-eyed, well-bred ma-

tron who had given a piquant Corona

to an otherwise commonplace world.

rude fighter of battles her daughter

little. She knew Corona's leanings,

and was not without an amused im-

pression that Corona would not find

to finish his cigar under the piltared

portice with Corona to keep him com-

committed the unpardonable sin by

"You Have Committed the Unpardon-

able Sin."

ninety-nine, after all. If you knew

women the least little bit in the world

you would know that we are always

Under his smile, Smith was begin-

ning to understand what this aston-

ishingly frank young woman meant.

She had seen his relapse, and was:

"You may pile it on as thickly as

you please," he said, the good-natured

smile twisting itself into the construc-

tion-camp grin. Then, with malice

aforethought: "Is it one of the require-

ments that your centennial man should

behave himself like a boor at a din-

ner table, and talk shop and eat with

"You know that isn't what I means

what you talked about-the trumpery

little social things that you found your

don't know what has ever taken you

out to a construction camp. I don't

believe you ever did a day's hard

work in your life before you came to

It was growing dark by this time

and the stars were coming out. Some

one had turned the lights on in the

room the windows of which opened

upon the portico, and the young wom

still see her face. She was smiling

isn't you, personally, you know; it's

would aflow, up in all the latest little

seting with courtesies and tea-table shop talk.

"You mustn't take it too hard.

Manners don't make the man.

keenest pleasure in talking about.

the Timanyoni."

looking for the hundredth man.

calmly deriding him for it.

to her liking.

it all, good and hard."

"Reatly?" he said.

Mrs. Baldwin saw nothing of the



YOUNG WOMAN E TAUNTS OF A HIGH-SPIRITED CAUSE SMITH TO MAKE AN IMPORTANT DECISION-THE PLOT AGAINST COL. BALDWIN IS AT WORK

Synopole. J. Montague Smith, cashier of the Lawrenceville Bank Trust company, and bachelor society leader engaged to marry ards. Richlander, heiress, is wrongfully accused of dishonesty by trous Dunham, his employer, and urged by his guilty accuser to pear. Smith Strikes Dunham, leaves him for dead, flees the state weeks later turns up as a hobo at an irrigation dam construction in the Rocky mountains, where he gets a job as John Smith. The syldence of superior intelligence soon attracts attention from the bons, and after a short time he is asked to join the official staff of the Mich company, which is in financial straits. Smith demurs because sen't want his past investigated, but Colonel Baldwin, president of the company, urgently seeks the ex-hobo's aid. Smith saves Miss Occors Baldwin's life and drives some claim jumpers off company's land.

CHAPTER VII.-Continued.

smith healtated, it was only partly than the colonel, Smith put her, and own account. He was thinking with an air of refinement which was the young woman with the reflected in every interior detail of west eyes when he said: "Do you her house, why I turned Williams down | The dinner was strictly a family he spoke to me the other day?" | meal, with the great mahogany table Dexter Baldwin had his shortened to make it convenient for like other men, but they were four. There were cut glass and silver these of indirection.

"I recken I do know, son," he said large tolerance. "You're a 'lame of some sort. But that's our E. Bartley to ready to swear tyon are not a crooked crook, what cles it is that you're dodging for. offer, there's yesterday-"

To agreed to forget the yesterday in" the lame duck reminded andekly. And then: "I ought to "No." Colonel Baldwin; my H out, and stick to it. If I don't well I ask for a little time—it is . I want to weigh up a few the things I can't talk about to or to Williams. If, in the end, he fool enough to say 'Yes,' it w fair to you to say that, right is the of the scrap, I may fall

buildwin was too shrewd to try to his advantage when there was, sed to be, a chance that the red end was as good as helf at-And it was a purely manful aut his hand to the young felwas trying to be as frunk dared to be. Past if there, John," he said heartily.

in the Timenyout is going to on in lack farther than you on let 'em; and if you get into wift one backer who will stand you until the cown come home. then, hunt up your cost, and drive over to Hillcrest for a bite it I had my orders from the before I left town, and I know than to go home without you mind the commissary khaki. It he the first time that the work elothen have figured at the Hillsable-not by a long shot."

hecause he did not know how no a refusal that would refuse got his cont and went. from his choice between the two,

would cheerfully have faced hand-to-hand battle with the simpers in preference to even a dip into the former things the dinner at Hillerest foreshad-The reluctance was not forced; real. The primitive man in him at wish to be entertained. On anto drive down to Brewster. the bridge, and out to the Baldmach, Smith's humor was frankly He cherished a small hope Mrs. Baldwin might be shocked he soft shirt and the khnki. It

serve her right for taking a man the stone-pillared portal he got in open the gates. Down the borne was coming at a smart the rider, Corona Baldwin,

let the gray car go on its us the drive without him.

and spurred and riding a man's

you weakened, did you? I'm ted in you," was Miss Baldne. "Tou've made me lose at mith colonel daddy. I said you

morosely. "But your father not let me off. course he wouldn't; daddy never

shody off, unless they owe him Where are your evening

let the lever of moroseness to the grinning notch. "They it two thousand miles away rebably in some second-hand this time. What makes you were wore a dress suit?" He the gates and was walking horse up the difveway. funt guessed it," she returned and if you'll hold your breath.

this thughed.

ne a negro stableboy was take Miss Baldwin's horse. how to help a woman and shades but the twoatumped him. The young ughed as she swung out of an's chair was so placed that he confe don't ride that way in rather more amicably when she said the country?' she queried.

for them," she scoffed. the type. I've met it before. I didn't meet any other kind during my three a on in and meet mamoff you were dreading years in the boarding school; nice. daddy says, it's always pleasant young gentlemen, as immacuded things over lately dressed as their pocketbooks

don't like to admit that the race is going downhill."

By this time the sardonic humor was once more in full possession, and he was enjoying her keenly.

"Go on," he said. "This is my night

"I've said enough; too much, perhaps. But when you were walking with mamma, you reminded me so forcibly of a man whom I met just for a part of one evening about a year ago in a small town in the middle West. He was one of them. He drove over from some neighboring town in his natty little automobile, and gave me fully an hour of his valuable time. He made me perfectly fu- Now go out and find Shaw. I want

"Poor you!" laughed Smith; but he was thankful that the camp sunburn and his four weeks' beard were safeguarding his identity. "But why the fury in his case in particular?"

"Just because, I suppose, I remem- drifted in. He was a young fellow ber he told me he was a bank cushler with sleepy eyes and elgarette stains and that he danced. He was quite on his fingers, and he would have hopeless, of course. Without being what you would call conceited, you job, which was what he really was. could see that the crust was so thick "Well?" snapped Stanton when the this battle in Flanders. Three lines of that nothing short of an earthquake incomer had taken the chair lately var trenches have been captured. The would ever break it."

"But the earthquakes do come, ouce in a blue moon," he said, still smiling | me to," said the young man. "He went at her. "Let's get it straight. You up to Red Butte to see if he couldn't are not trying to tell me that you object to decent clothes and good manners per se, are you?"

The colonel was coming out, and he company is about out of money. had stopped in the doorway to light Mickle, a clerk in Kinzie's bank, tells a long-stemmed pipe. The young wom- me that the ditch company's balance is an got up and fluffed her hair with the drawn down to a few thousand dollars, ends of her fingers-a little gesture with no more coming in." which Smith remembered, recalling it from the night of the far-away lawn had drawn for her, and wondered a purty.

your question before I go, Types are this later Smithsonian phase altogether afways hopeless; it's only the hundredth man who tsn't. It's a great pity Smith got what he had earned, good you couldn't go on whipping claim measure, pressed down, shaken to jumpers all the rest of your life, Mr. gether and running over, a few min- | Smith. Don't you think so? Good utes after Mrs. Baldwin had left him night. We'll meet again at breakfust. Daddy isn't going to let you get away short of a night's lodging, I know,"

pany. He never knew just what start-Two cigars for Smith and four pipes ed it, unless it was his careful placfor the colonel further along, the tall ing of a chair for the young women | Missourian rose out of the split-hottomed chair which he had drawn up to and his deferential-and perfectly natural-pause, standing, until she face the guest's and rapped the ashes from the bowl of the corncob into the "Do, for pity's sake, sit down!" she

broke out, half petulantly. And when "I think you've got it all now, he had obeyed: "Well, you've speiled Smith, every last crook and turn of it, and I reckon you're tired enough Smith was unable to imagine where to run away to bed."

Smith took a turn up and down the stone-flagged floor of the portico with his hands behind him. Truly, the case "It lan't what you've done: it's what of Timenyoni ditch was desperate; even more desperate than he had suppowed. Figuring as the level-headed hank enabler of the former days, he told himself soberty that no man in his senses would touch it with a ten foot pole. Then the laughing gibes of the hundredth woman gibes which had cut far deeper than she had Imag incd-came back to send the blood surging through his veins. It would he worth something to be able to work the miracle the colonel had spoken of ; and afterward . . .

Colonel Dexter Baldwin was still bor, there is sufficient to have caused tapping his palse absently with the the government to give guarantees pipe when Smith came back and said that it will return these African eie ments to their own country. They will abruptly: go back, however, a very different peo-

"I have decided, colonel. I'll start in with you tomorrow morning, and we'll pull this mired scheme of yours out of the mud, or I'll break a leg trying to. But you mustn't forget what told you out at the camp. Right in the middle of things I may go rotten on you and drop out."

CHAPTER VIII.

The Sick Project.

Brewster had grown into city-charter size and importance with the opening of its natural disadvantages, of the gold mines in the Gloria district. and the transformation of the sur rounding park grasslands into cultirated ranches. A summer hotel on the shore of Lake Topuz-reached only by tropical timber. Bittle of which is comstage from Brewster-had added its mercially available now, or probably influence; and since the hotel brought ever will be, by reason of the long dispeople with well-lined pocketbooks, tances it would have to be transported. there was a field for the enthusiastic But there are very extensive tructs, esreal-estate promoters whose offices pecially in the plateau region, capable filled all the odd corners in the Heof great agricultural development. phra House block.

In one of those offices, on the morning following Smith's first dinner at Hillcrest, a rather caustic colloquy was in progress between the man whose name appeared in gilt lettering on the front windows and one of his water, cover closely and infuse for unofficial assistants. Crawford Stanof vinegar and two of honey; stir to ton, he of the window name, was a man of many personalities. To summer visitors with money to invest, he be used several times a day and will was the genial promoter, and if there generally give relief. The ingredients were suggestions of fron hardness in are harmless and safe for children, as the sharp jaw and in the smoothly if a little is swallowed by chance no shaven face and flinty eyes, there was harm is done. also a pleasant reminder of Eastern business methods and alertness in the promoter's manner. But Lanterby, tilting uneasily in the "confidential" chair at the desk-end, knew another and more biting side of Mr. Stanton.

as a hired man will. "Good heaven! do you sit there and tell me that the three of them let that can do to keep away from those girls hobo of Williams' push them off the at school. I don't mind their giving map? And do you say all this hap me presents, but I do hate to have pened the day before yesterday; how them tag after me going home from does it come that you are just now re- school."

porting it?" The hard-faced henchman in the tilting chair made such explanations grace before each meal. One day she

was invited to a little friend's for dis-"Boogerfield and his two partners 've been hidin' out somewhere; I allow al. They were all men, I suppose, but I'm they was plumb ashamed to come in dock, a three-year-old brother, bowed id a good many of them and never | and tell how they'd let one man run

**ALLIES CAPTURE** Lanterby told all that was known of Smith, and had no difficulty in com-3 LINES OF FOE'S pressing it into a single sentence. Stanton leaned back in his chair and the lids of the flinty eyes narrowed TRENCHES IN WEST "There's a lot more to it than that." he said incisively at the end of the reflective pause. Then he added a

British and French Make Joint Lanterby moved unensity in his in-Attack on Germans.

TEN TOWNS ARE CAPTURED

More Than 3,500 Prisoners Taken is Gigantic Assault on Twenty-Mile Front-Teutons Suffer Heavy

London, Aug. 2.—British and French enough, and promised to help out. But troops on Tuesday morning attacked on a 20-mile front, following the most terrific artillery fire ever reported, and captured the first three lines of German trenches between the River Lys and Boesinghe. Ten villages and more than 3,500 prisoners were taken. Losses on the allied side were reported to be very light, while the German losses were described as extremly heavy Late reports said the Germans had be gun a counter-attack at the point where the French and British forces later another of Stanton's pay-roll men join.

> La Bassee Recaptured. British Front in France and Belglum, Aug. 2.-With a few exceptions the entente allies accomplished all they had planned for the first day of casualties of the French and British were surprisingly light. The German front lines about the Ypres salient which had been held unquestioned by the enemy since the early days of the war offered little risistance to the British advance, but beyond these trenches the Germans made a fire stand in an endeavor to stem the on

Heavy Losses for Germans. The Germans made a heavy counter-"Did the colonel succeed in making attack at La Bassee, recuptured by the British in an attempt to regain the "Nary," said the spy nonchalantly, position, but the British flung them off "Duddy wants you, and I'll have to "Drake, the banker up there, was his and began consolidating the ground one best bet; but I got a man I know won. Many prisoners already are findto give Drake a pointer, and he curled ing their way back of the affied lines. up like a hedgehog when you poke it These men report that the apprecedented artillery preparations which "That's better. The colonel came preferred the entente silled attack worked havoe in the German lines and "Yesterday afternoon. His wife and undoubtedly caused a beavy loss of daughter met him, and told him somelife. The German front line trenches thing or other that made him drive up were entirely smashed to pieces and the wire entanglement? before them

were torn away. The French, who attacked on the difficult territory between Dixumble and a point near Boesinghe, forced their way across the march and captured the first two German lines. Six Bayarian divisions were withdrawn and replaced as they were demoralized by the inferno of fire. At one point the British charged through their own barrage fire to prevent the escape of fleeing Germans.

Attack on Twenty-Mile Front. Most of the points enplured are between Boesinghe and Warneon. The British gains cover a 20-mile front of attack. The British and French troops went into battle under cover of what perhaps was the greatest barrage fire seen in the war. The entente artillery Is moving forward and the whole situa-

tion is satisfactory in every particular. Between Dismude and Boesinghe the attackers reported they had secured the two first lines of trenches Atthough there is not nearly so much prejudice in France as in England after having fought over the most diffi-

> The British again have captured the town of La Bassee, which they recent ly relinguished to the Germans.

> The British and French forces are facing a large concentration of German artillery and fresh troops which have been rushed up. The entente allies have established

> complete air superiority. Entente military officials say the

civilized countries. It is expected that after their return the progress of civilmorale of the Germans here is not up ization among their tribes will be to the old standard.

The offensive launched early by Gen. Sir Douglas Haig, the British commander, in conjunction with General Petain, the commander of the French forces, against the German lines on the Belgian front, is the culmination of the tremendous heavy gun bombardment which has been in progress almost continuously in this area for a

Included in this battle area is the famous Wyschnete-Messines front. where the British on June 7, after exploding 1,000,000 pounds of high explosives under the German lines, attacked on a nine-mile front and captured the high ridge, several towns, 47 heavy guns and more than 7,000 pris-

French Gain on Alsne Front.

Parts, Aug. 2.-French forces made successful attack against the German positions along a 1,500-yard-front at La Royere and west of Epine de Chevregny on the Aisne front, says the French official statement. A German counter-attack was crushed.

The French took 167 prisoners, including two officers and 15 non-commissioned officers belonging to three regiments.

Berlin Tells of Battle. Berlin, Aug. 2.—Strong attacks by the entente affics have commenced along a wide front from the Yser to the Lys. in Flanders, says the official statement issued by the German general staff. The infantry battle in Flanders, the statement adds, has thus

Peace Luxuries Must Go. Washington, Aug. 2 .- "The luxuries of peace must give way to the necessities of war. We must economize and then produce, produce, produce." This is the message from the war industry board.

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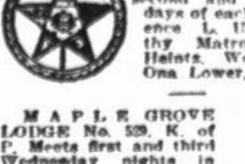
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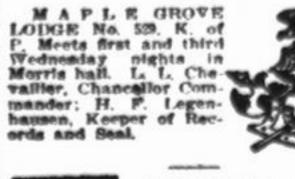
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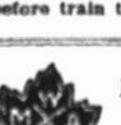


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