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TER XXVII-Continued.

a escaped corrict, or something a man's saddle?" t sort? It ets its 'local color' morning. Tere's a sheriff here s got be requisition papers, me that I can go?" Smith's fooled him good and Flinging the bridle reins over the

ed last night-n little past out at the dam-on the Job ago. I'm here to bet you even wet." That the whole town goes to

reat gosh " sald the man who crunching the burnt bacon, "Say, tough, Blxby! I don't care what man, right. Harding has been everybody how Smith wouldn't posse open fire on that gang d-und last Friday night; how he used across on the dam stugings and unarmed to try to serve the grants on 'em and make 'em stop It was glorious, but it wasu't

To this the other mining man added ard word, "Dead," he gritted; only a few hours earlier the girl taken snap judgment on him and control somebody else! That's the

"Ohe hold on Stryker," the ranch brotusted. "Don't you get too about that. 'There are two to that bow, and the longest corrient one runs out to Colone place on Little creek, I'm Richtander business only an incident. Stanton told a that much."

the event proved, the seller of lands would have lost his bet on meral attendance. For some unn Franch the notice of Smith's did not appear in the afternoon dam?" and only a few people went out to see the coffin lowered by Miliams workmen into a grave on green behind the construction & grave among others where etima of an early industrial acat the dam had been buried. who went out from town came new rather scandalized. There had a-most hard-hearted lack of the formalities, they said; a coffin, no minister, no mourners, wen the poor fellow's business the in the company be had it so hard to save from defeat and extiletion. It was a shame!

highle report passing from lip to Brewster, another hit of goseip the effect that Starbuck and Silliad gone East with the disapsaluted shortff, "to clear Smith's memas the street-talk had it, culled forth no little comment. In the Hophra House cafe on the evening of the noral day Stryker, the mining specwater, was loud in his criticisms of the High Line people.

bet burns' at the dam bury him like ow dog! And this Richlander they say she'd known him mince he and she were school magether; she went down and train with her father just e fime they were planting the

The weeks of the matchless Anweather had slipped by without t other than the indictment by Orawford Stanton. a charge of conspiracy; and unmolested since the night battle in which Sheriff ding had figured as the master of hand had completed the great and was installing the the lately finished power

the hills from the northern content beandary of the Timanyoni new strike in Sunrise binese district worked out dened twenty years earlier in helent of the Red Butte exciteprestioned closely, the talerenfessed that he had no proof of the strike; but in the hills around a well-worn trail, lately inding to the old camp, and of the deserted cabina in he had seen smoke arising. the fact of the trail the wanman not at fault the most perfect of the late-insernings a roung weman, clad thatte khakt, and keeping her non-headgear and buff tep-boots in d countenance by riding astride in madie, was pushing her mount the trail toward Sunrise Guich. the top of a little rise the abancamp came into view, its heaps porket over graves sprouting thickwild growth of twenty crumbling shacks, only theemed to have survived mind firety, scattered among

> he rise the horsewomshaded her eyes On a beach single tenanted

the saddle unaided, laughing at him tre out of date this from the out of the slate gray eyes and saying: in ranches, "Ya know the story "How often have I got to tell you that was going around about his be you simply can't help a woman out of of your trouble-did the rest."

The man smiled at that.

"it's automatic," he returned. back East somewhere—came in shall never get over wanting to help no early trin; name's Macauley, you, I guess. Have you come to tell

bend of the wiry little cow-pony which enin the chorus united in an eager was thus left free to crop the short, sweet grass of the creek valley, the bench and made him sit down. "You are frightfully anxious to go

pulled through and stood on | tensed, sitting beside him. "Every time | free, Corona. It began that night in in with the story just a little When can I go?' You're got well gloves; it wasn't anything you said;

> got to do. Corona; and until it's done. Besides, there is Jibbey."

"Where is Mr. Jibbey this morning?" me all the time. There never was have shown me the way." sheep' and 'the fatture,' and cross the almost wistful. street to dodge him when he'd been drinking too much!"

him; that you saved his life when you vas fairly on the edge of letting Jibhad every reason not to. You never bey stay in the mine and go mad if told me that. John."

"No: I didn't mean to tell anyone. But to think of his coming out here to nurse me, lenving Verda on the night be married her! A brother of my own blood woundn't have done it."

The young woman was looking up with a shrewd little smile. "Maybe the blood brother would do even that, f you had just made it possible for him to marry the girl he'd set his heart on, John."

"I'lfle!" growled the man, And then: "Hasn't the time come when you can tell me a little more about put me to sleep that night at the cine,"

"Yes. The only reason you haven't been told was because we didn't want you to worry; we wanted you to have

a chance to get well and strong again." The man's eyes filled suddenly, and he took no shame. He was still shaky enough in nerve and muscle to excuse it. "Nobody ever had such friends, Corona," he said. "You all knew I'd have to go back to Lawrenceville and fight it out, and you didn't want me to go handlenpped and halfdead. But how did they come to let you take me away? I've known Macis not the man to take any chances."

"Mr. Macauley wasn't asked. He thinks you are dead," she

You were not the only one he railed; "a couple of 'em the report got out that you were the that Verda understands, though he selves in evening clothes, they mingfed on a junketing trip East to one who died, and that made every- won't admit it. And when it is all in fashionable crowds in hig cafes, his memory, after they've let thing quite easy. The report has never over, when they have done their worst theater exits, and railway stations, been contradicted, and when Mr. to me-Macauley reached Brewster the police people told him that he was too late," away from the encircling arm. Brewster think I'm dend?

to Brewster, today."

going to get there?" she asked. "It's confessed. You are a free man, John; versation took place the other day betwenty miles, and the walking is aw- youfully bad-in spots."

"But I must go. Can't you see what everybody will say of me?-that I was too cowardly to face the music



"How Often Have I Got to Tell You?" when my time came? Nobody will be-Heve that I wasn't a consenting party to this hide-away!"

and when he obeyed: "From day to trimmed, with his clothes dressing the day, since I began coming out here, part of a neglected camper, and with the man whom I met just once, one itself under his right shoulder blade. over a year ago, at Cousin gr

you know, and the hint you gave me

"Then you knew-or you thoughtwas a criminal?"

She nodded, and her gaze was resting upon the nearby gravel beaps. "Cousin Adda wrote me. But that made po difference. I didn't know whether you had done the things they said you had, or not. What I did know was that you had broken your shackles in some way and were tryyoung woman led the man to the house ing to get free. You were, weren't

"I suppose so; in some blind fashand commit suicide, aren't you?" she ion. But it is you who have set me I come it's always the same thing: Guthrieville when I stole one of your it was what you so evidently believed "I'm well enough to do what I've and lived. And out here: I was simply a raw savage when you first saw me. I had tumbled headlong into the abyss of the new and the elemental, "He has gone up the creek, fishing, and if I am trying to scramble out Fun away from back East; he I made him go. If I didn't take a club now on the side of honor and clean to him now and then he'd hang over manhood, it is chiefly because you

another man like him, Corona. And "When did I eyer, John?"-with an at home we used to call him the black tup glance of the gray eyes that was

"Always, and with a wisdom that makes me almost afraid of you. For "He says you've made a man of example, there was the night when I to wanted to: you lashed me with the one word that made me save his life tastead of taking it. How did you know that was the one word to say?" "How do we know anything?" she

inquired softly. "The moment brings its own inspiration. It broke my hearf to see what you could be, and to think that you might not be it. after all. But I came out here this happily. "If you are going to call me morning to talk about something else. What are you going to do when you it up to me some other way," she said. are able to leave Suarise Guich?"

there is for me to do. I shall go back | tions of the absolute, he did. what happened to me after the doctor to Lawrenceville and take my medi-

> "And after that?" "That in for you to say, Corona Would you murry a convict?"

"You are not guilty." "That is neither here nor there. They will probably send me to prison, just the same, and the stigme will be mine to wear for the remainder of my life.

anley ever since I was in knickers. He here and let me see you. You were roughly while the other does the work out of your head, and you thought you and makes a getoway, says the Howere talking to Billy Starbuck in the bendan. Arrests are frequent, but conautomobile on the night when you were victions rare, because the man capgoing with him to the fight at the dam. | tured seldom has the loot. It made me go down on my two knees, John, and kiss your poor, hot hands,"

was trembling between a laugh and a feet. With all their care, however, he Nearly everybody. But you needn't sob, "I'm the wickedest, wickedest would stumble occasionally and fall look so harrified. You're not dead, women that ever lived and breathed- into groups of ladies and gentlemen. you know; and there were no obita- and the happiest! I knew what you Invariably the soher companions had uries in the newspapers, or anything would do, but I couldn't resist the apologized and taken the charge away temptation to make you say it. List before anyone discovered the loss of The man got upon his feet rather ten; this morning colonel daddy got a valuables, night letter from Billy Starbuck. You "That's the limit," he said defini- have been wondering why Billy never tively. "I'm a man now, Corona; too came out here to see you- it was bemuch of a man, I hope, to hide behind cause he and Mr. Stillings have been offs whose names are not John and mother man's grave. I'm going back in Lawrenceville, trying to clear you. Richard Jones, but might be. Richard They are there now, and the wire says lowns a grovery store and his telephone The young woman made a quaint that Watrous Dunham has been arrest. Usting follows directly under the listlittle grimace at him. "How are you ed and that he has broken down and ing of John's residence. This con-

> The grass-cropping pony had on the wire: widened its circle by a full yard, and the westward-pointing shudows of the firs were growing shorter and more clearly defined as the August sun swing higher over the summits of the Why?" eastern Timanyonis. For the two on the house beach, time, having all its interspaces filled with beatific silences, had no measure that was worth record- this, anywar?" ing. In one of the more coherent intervals it was the man who said:

"Some things in this world are very wonderful, Corona. We call them happenings, and try to account for them as we may by the laws of chance. Was it chance that threw us together at cour cousin's house in Guthrieville a year ago last June?"

enough to believe that it wasn't."

"And who is Mr. Debritt?" last evening in Lawrenceville. He had the channel day and night? been joking me about my various ittle smugnesses-good job, good clothes, easy life, and all that, and he wound up by warning me to watch out for the Absolute Ego,"

"What is the Absolute Ego?" she asked dutifully.

John Montague Smith, with his curl-"Sit down," she commanded calmly; ing yellow beard three weeks un-I've been trying to rediscover a steel-jacketed bullet trying to encyst

"Not at first. But after a while | ment or habit or petty or aventions, or things began to come back; and what any of the things we misname 'limitayou told me-about Miss Richlander, tions.' It's asleep in most of us; it wasn't asleep in me. You made it sit up and rub its eyes for a minute or two that evening in Guthrieville, but It dozed off again, and there had to be an earthquake at the last to shake it alive. Do you know the first thing It did when it took hold again and begun to drive?"

> "Here is where the law of chances falls to pieces, Corona. Without telllng me anything about it, this newly emancipated man-soul of mine made a



"Go Back Like a Man and Fight."

bee-line for the only Absolute Ego woman it had ever known. And it Again the young woman laughed

names. Egs-num, you'll have to make Whereupon, the moment being strict-"The one straightforward thing ly elemental and sacred to demonstra-(THE END.)

METHODS USED BY DIPS VARY

Pickpockets of the Higher Grade Work in Groups in Places Frequented by Presperous People.

As a usual thing, pickpockets vary can went it now, thank God! But to Only the low-grade dips work in puirs. pass it on to you-and to your chil- These are the men who operate on dren, Corona . . . If I could get street cars, elevated stations, platmy own consent to that, you couldn't forms, and similar places where they will find crowds of pushed people and "Yes, I could, John: I got it the first have opportunity to escape if detected. time colonel-duddy brought me out One of the pair shoulders a victim

The higher grade dips also work in such places. The difference is that He slipped his one good arm around they work in groups and choose times when prospermis possengers will be in "Now I can go back like a man and the majority. During the fashionable M'Graw's men. Three days later, just fight it through to the end," he exulted shopping hours and after the theater with a high velvet collar or one of the feather wreath or france or handsubserty. "Libber will take me; I know at night are considered harvest times, material of the coat under it. were getting ready to steal you away, he is wearing himself out trying to Last winter three dips worked a clever one of the others died. In some way make me believe that he can wait, and method in Chicago. Garbing themthe of the party was always hopeless. With a quick little twist she broke by drunk and the others, apparently noting the part of Samaritans, were "Good beavens! Thes everybody in | "John, dear," she said, and her voice hard put trying to keep him on his

Good Night.

There are two brothers in Indianap tween Mrs. John Jones and a voice

"Hello, is this Jones"?" "Yes."

"Have you got any soap?" "Why, yes, I guess I've got a little.

"Why. I want to buy some, What do you think?" "I've only got one cake. Who is

"Isn't this Jones' grocery?" "No." "Good night!"-Indianapolis News,

World's Biggest Fish Net.

The largest fish net in the world will soon be in use in these waters, says the Avalon Islander. It is 8,400 feet long, 300 feet deep and has five She laughed happily. "I suppose it purselike packets made of a two-inch was-though I'd like to be romantic re-enforced mesh. Two 80-foot tugs and a fleet of small boats will accom-"Debritt would say that it was the pany the net. The equipment will cost Absolute Ego," he said, half musingly, almost \$100,000 to fish for three months. What chance for its life will "He is the man I dired with on my any fish have with such a net combing

> Diet a Matter of Habit. Our daily food is to a large extent a matter of prejudice and habit. We think we must have certain things because we always have had them. But the war has shown us that by the exercise of intelligent planning we can get the necessary nutriment for less

money than we have been accustomed

to spend.-Kansas City Star.

Important Point. the Would you marry a woman who had sued another man for breach



trim-looking, high-necked suits, that give to wearers a well-set-up, efficient look, is illustrated here. It is of a sort, like the Russian blouse, that may be made becoming to the siender figure and is sure to be becoming to plumpness, so that it is a happy choice for either.

This suit has taken sides with the advocates of the straight silhouette. so it takes intelligent management on the part of the slim woman to wear it successfully. She must see to it that she does not look too flat chested in ity when undertaking to trim a hat at

One of those closely buttoned up, | ered in factories by machinery. This part of hat making has been brought to such perfection that there is a great output of shapes in the stores, on sale ready for trimming.

annoying bladder trouble proofs that the kidneys Doan's Kidney Pills. thank them for relief from

Mrs. Gust Michel, "bery Phine

kegan, Ill., says: " was laid up for a

month at a time, unable to do any work at all. I couldn't lift

the least weight, be-

cause of the sharp

pains that went

through my back and ilmbs. My kid-

In terrible shape be-

cause of the way

they acted. I was

often dizzy and could

work again.

see spots before my

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are equal to almost any occasion It is safe not to aspire to original-



SUIT, WITH MUCH INDIVIDUAL STYLE

HATS FOR THE HOME MILL

day. The skirt in this suit proclaims | Nistal cloths and plames belong to the

its allegiance to this fashion by plained | portrait but also. The variety of trim-

panels set in at each side. It is other- mings for hats of this kind is almost

Providing the shape is becoming The third shape is a good selection

and stylish, the home milliner may for all-round wear. It stands between

undertake the trimming of her own the tailored hat and the dressy hat.

hat with every chance of success, and is classed simply as a "trimmed"

Ready-covered, velvet shapes are more hat. Less severe and less simple than

or less simply trimmed, according to a failured hat, it is to be trimmed to

the purpose for which the hat is to be | take the place of either of the other

two styles if required.

Simple Coiffures for Girls.

to the simple mode of dressing the

hair, simply arranged and very simply

ornamented. A narrow ribbon or s

A plain arrangement shows a Gre-

cian knot and narrow band of twisted

ribbon, while short curls soften the

high forehead line. This mode for

evening wear is particularly becoming

to a youthful face. It is more grace

flower or two usually suffices.

ful than the severe styles so

This senson the girls are adhering

wise plain and is of regulation length, unlimited.

The covering of a shape with velvet

is rather a difficult undertaking for

anyone, but a professional milliner

and nearly all shapes are, in fact, cov-

Veils in Combination Colors.

In the newest veiling importations,

combinations of very light, delicate

colors appear in the designs on black

or very dark meshes, says the Dry

Goods Economist. Among the most in-

teresting combinations are gray and

ton, gray and lavender and tan and

lavender on such backgrounds as beav-

er brown, black and very dark purple.

In these novelties the colors are used

so sparingly and are blended so per-

feetly that the effect is exceedingly re-

it, and that the back is slightly semi- ; home. Those whose talents and time Otting, in order to suggest some curves are given to millinery understand the in her figure. These are matters to art of trimming better than even a take up with the dressmaker and the gifted amateur. But a fair needlecornet maker. If they are managed in the right way, her figure will be improved by this particular style.

By way of individuality the cont has several odd features. The sides and back of the skirt portion are longer than the front, where it fastens at the left it is cut to contrive a panel with buttons at each side and it has

woman can copy many good trimming ldens. Millinery shops and department stores, also, show many trimmings all ready to sew on the shape and in this way smooth the path of the home pulliner.

Three velvet-covered shapes are shown in the picture for three different types of bats. A small, round turban at the left of the group needs only a ribbon cockade, a fur pompon, a longs to the class of tailored buts. some ornaments of Jet. Ribbons, metal Panels set in or panels ranging brombes, and handsome famer feathloose, but panels anyway, are to be ers are appropriately used on hats of expected on the suits and freeks of to- this character or ribbons with flowers.

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