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ing several long and dim'y lighted that were glazed and ceiled with chmam, each having a door whose it to one or other of the keys that is the girdle of Elman, the buffoon, shill was at last reached, and at end were massive curtains Gold having a heavy bullion fringe, were partly looped up, whilst on thereof, like a statue of bronze, cormous eunuch with a huge flameimban on his head and loose y hangof the same color draping his form, ing his brawny limbs bare, whilst had he grasped a naked scimitar.

sering that he was perfectly unarmfully aware that the penalty Let for one of his sex to be found in wee Frank Donelly did not feel parcomfortable at sight of these armthe but had they reen iron columns aid not (to all outward seeming) have him with greater unconcern and and a minute later Elman had between them into a beautiful apartthe other side of the curtains, the which were painted with a series of landscapes in a kind of distemper, thich nothing having life was introis to draw such is a deadly sin acto the laws of Mohammed. Thus ere boats being rowed upon lakes and int no one handling the oars, ships the sea to all appearance passenger-

and who, directly that Elman had frew aside her veil and smiled upon

edid so the young Irishman recogm the crocodile and from drowning shing in the Upper Nile.

unot surprised, for he had guessed st known that she was his summonis was astonished at discovering how re lovely a woman looks am det luxndor, and genial warmth, than when ton, weekly: and a tricken, wet and exposed to the eleven as they are tempered and softenppt, the land of the sun. hea & Co., St. I was was gorgeously rich. She wore

t rest of crimson velvet, embroiderwith gold and having buttons of y fair when the heavy ebon masses parl-entwined hair formed its backstrayed over it in wanton tresses. net her full Turkish trousers were entinand also covered with filigree

est you love me."

m not slow in making reply : Silver-Plated at it should be loved," and having as she?" hos aloud, he muttered to himself good grace.

a series of Come it was addressed.

ecrimson petals in a shower on the her less so. he Gold Water Inquire you to love only me, and one who could brook a rival." ma nice state of affairs. Frank

the woman who had made so imdemand upon his affections, and nd to own to himself that very few the was indeed lovely, with the voluptuous loveliness of the East, that there was something about dinire something to shudder at as —for at last he seems to suit my taste."

be: but As you must well know, Frank, and continued in French: the more be candid with you, I "I thank you for the lesson you have months instead of days."

solemnly, "it is written: would be to jeopardize your life." not covet thy neighbor's wife.'

"I have no wish that thou shouldst," answered the lovely odali-que with a smile that showed a double row of teeth as tiny and regular as two rows of pearls. possible, then, that thou lovest me in complete ignorance of who I am? It is the Princess Zeeneh, the sister of the Khedive. who condescends to honor thee with her a fections, and who is ready this very night and hour to fly with thee and become thy one and only wife. Elman, the buffoon, hath provided the disguises and will accompany us, and I have sewn up in my dress diamonds and other gems that will make thee rich beyond thy utmost imagination. Come, happy man, you may kneel and kiss my hand

and thank me. Ah, why do you hesitate?" "Because, your highness, I now know that am unworthy of the honor that you would do me, and I will not be base enough to take advantage of your condescension and unbounded goodness of heart and generosity of tracted in a frown, "Your highness sent for disposition. I am too humble even to be permitted to kiss the hem of your robe or to. atand in your presence, wherefore I beseech you to allow me to retire." And whilst he was thus doing the civilities of speech Frank was thinking to himself: "Was ever mortal man in such a predicament before? I wish I was well out of it. Catch me ever wanting to get inside of a harem again," and

"Humility may be carried too far," exclaimed the princess, in answer to Frank's last vollay of excuses. "I am sick of this monotonous prison life of the harem. I pant for freedom, the freedom and enjoyment of crewless, and the interiors of mos. | the Fering ee women. If I marry a Mussulpalaces, but all empty and desert- man I shall never obtain them. Am I not young and fair? Why, then, should I be the Irish dragoon was looking at forever hidden behind stone walls, and ings and also at the piles of cushions guarded by hideous armed eunuchs, whilst and the flowers that formed the others more favored by fortune but not by liture of this splendid apartment, nature dance before all men with their buffoon advanced alone into one that faces and necks uncovered? Whilst you LU BLE PARK and, but had hardly been gone a min- are the only Feringhee whom I have on the banks of the she reappeared and beckoned known, and as you risked your life for me you must love me. Take me, then, to your iso to find himself a second later in own country and marry me, and there let me lut luxuriously fitted up chamber enjoy life as the Christian women do. El most brilliantly lighted, and in the | man has learned that one of the big steamers ed a woman who was reclining on a goes through the canal this very night and of cushions, in a pose of voluptuous leaves Port Said with the early dawn. We should assuredly catch her if we started without further loss of time, and on a festival night like this we should not be missed for many hours. Why do you hesitate to beautiful Egyptian whom he had grasp the happiness offered to you?"

> "Because, your highness, I may not," responded the young dragoon, at last driven to sheer desperation, "since it happens not only that I am unworthy of the honor and the happiness that you proffer me, but also that I am engaged to be married to a fair young girl, one of my own cree i and race, than whom I could never love even an empress half so well. As for the saving of your highness' life at the risk of my own, pray think not of it, for I would have ventured as much, I hope, for a drowning beggar."

"You dare tell me this, ungrateful c; Allans, Rast with gold and having buttons of wretch!" exclaimed the princess, with a audwed the surprising beauty of her den change of manner, and all the latent tibolders and bosom, for her skin was | ger awakening within her; and as her beauhan a Spanish girl's, and looked tiful eyes dilated and her magnificent bosom began to rise and fall with the violence of her emotions, she added with a snake-like hiss in her tones :

"She who stands in the way of my happiness and my freedom I have seen thee twice ai, being banded tightly around her with, have I not? Once in a carriage, when erealed the tiniest of feet, that were | she held thine hand in hers whilst she gazed a pair of crimson velvet heelless at the opal ring which was my gift; and thickly studded with precious again not half an hour ago beside the amberhued fountain, within view of this very winand so on, till you have not forgotten me? You dow, which was in darkness then? You the summons of the lotus flower and need not answer me with your tongue, for Yes, well for ourselves and for your eyes have done so already, and besides I knew it aforehand. It was the sight of ni spoken in the purest French, and her liberty that made me sigh for a like freedom. But do you mean to tell me seriously impossible to help loving the beau- that my beauty, my wealth and my exalted Allah has created the beautiful in rank cannot win you away from such a girl

"Your highness," responded Frank, losing the was an Irish or an English girl his temper in turn, at hearing Nellie Trez rr clined to think her a forward hussy, so contemptuously spoken of, "you could the fashion here for the women to not win me from her were you thrice as making, I suppose I must sub- levely, rich and exalted, all of which were impossibilities. I may show bad taste in the he thought he had made a preferring the dove to the eagle, and be unthe answer, but it seemed to be a pardonably rude in saying so, but you have to vague in its nature for the party put to me a plain question and pressed me for a plain answer, therefore I candidly tell tot want you to love everything and your highness, that the fair girl whom you who is beautiful," she said petu- have twice seen me with is dearer to me than ishe tere a rose to pieces and scat. my own life, and that nothing could make

The princess deigned no answer to this rhapsody save a glance of supreme contempt. Then she clapped her hands (still, as for three thousand years past, the invariable Eastern method of summoning a slave or attendant,) and in quick answer thereto Elthe was difficulty in obeying man, the buffoon, re-entered the exquisite

little apartment. "Take him away; the man is a fool and knows not evil from good, and when he is the beauteous grace of the gone bring hither—you know whom I mean

This she said in Egyptian to the buffoon, said Frank, bluntly, as this and directly she perceived that the old hag took possession of him, "to understood her clearly she turned again to

in more, aye, one whom I have taught me, namely, that I am not invincible. It has proved a bitter lesson, but it has been tof time. You, for love grows in thoroughly well learned, I can assure you, tof time to as great a degree as it and it will never be forgotten. And now Had you not loved me you go, and take with you the knowledge that have risked your life for me. It you have also taught me to hate you and that you would not, for life your entire race as well, more especially her things, save love alone. Whom you have dared to prefer to me. Behowing all all feelings towards ware, both of you, for I am not powerless, to sping also that you would never though shut up within these barren walls I though snut up within the son be the son in the trod on the state of lare stooped to raise you up, and dangerous, aye, dangerous as the trod on how bid you to relinquish all serpent or vexed scorpion, which you may, tion have testions, for your courage both of you one day discover to your cost. this colors, for your courage both of you one day discovered for your distinctions, for your courage both of you one day discovered to prate of your distinctions. admission here, for the ear of the Egyptian admission here, for and to indulge in such rash feldied, stammered Frank. "Be- ly, even amongst your most intimate friends,

Frank's haughty reply, and bowing low he dropped the yashmack over his face again and followed Elman, the buffoon, out of the chamber and the harem

Hardly had he gone when Zeeneh, the princess, happening to be looking on the ground, beheld something sparkling with lurid light within easy reach of her hand, and stretching one forth, she picked it up and discovered it to be the beautiful opal ring which, a couple of weeks before. she had bestowed on him who had rescued her from the crocodile.

"ae was too proud to keep it after what has just passed between us," she muttered, with a frown; then her face brightened with a strange light as she added : "And it well that it is so, for another will be here presently whe, if he did not see his gift upon my finger, would wonder what had become of it, and perhaps even suspect treachery. Oh, that would never do, for he is the only one now left me on whom I can depend for avenging me on my brother Tewfik and all the others whom I hate.

Half an hour later another man, clad in the same disguise as the Irish dragoon had worn, and guided thither by the same hideous old woman, stood before the princess, and when he raised the yashmack he revealed the stern face of Arabi Pasha, the war minister, who said, curtly, as his brows conme; 1 am here.

"Ahmmed, I have summoned you in or der that you may teach me how to hate." "I fear that I might find in your highness too apt a pupil, yet fain would I teach you to hate, and hate deeply, all those who are the enemies of Egypt and its people."

"You mean the Feringhees who swarm like locusts over the land. I am prepared to hate them."

"It were difficult to do otherwise. They are our rulers while they pretend to be our friends. They send all the wealth out of the country and bring nothing into it but what we should be better without. They refuse to be subject to our laws, and living amongst us will not pay any share of the taxes, whilst their presence has so raised the price of everything that our poorer classes labor sixteen hours out of the twenty-four. and yet can barely save themselves from starving. Thousands of our Arab and Coptic clerks, too, are discharged to make way for their Syrian interpreters, and that because they don't take the trouble to make themselves acquainted with the language of the people whom they have so thoroughly well learned to rob and wrong. Encourage ing national liberty in Italy because, as one sect of Chris lans, they hate our older sect, the English, who are the most powerful of our foes, crush it here lest it may imperi their dividends, derived though they are from a scheme that has cost Egypt thousands of lives and loaded her with a debt from which she can hardly hope for an entire century to recover. Then, too, their presence stirs up the vanity of our rulers to the building of palaces and fleets, for both of which the starving fellaheen has to pay and neither of which is in the least required, and-"

"Yes, yes, I know all that and more," interrupted the princess impatiently. "Well, you once sought my alliance to help set all these things straight, and I then refused is because at the time I still loved my brother, Tewfik. To-night you have been brought thither to be told that that time and that love have passed away. I hate my brother. Why, matters not. Let the fact suffice, as also that I hate these Christians in addition. I would give my life to see them all, aye, all, every one of them, driven into the sea, and universally perish."

"Your highness carries her bate too far," answered the war minister, reprovingly. "To drive them forth from the country that they have ruined, with the help of Allah and the Prophet I should be quite willing to do, and perhaps I am the only man in Egypt save one who could do it.'

"And who is the other?" "He whom his foes call the False Prophet."

"Arabi Pasha, you alone are the chosen of the nation, and all men know it, for you have a heart that feels for the misery and degradation of the people, and 'tis not a mean, selfish ambition but an earnest de sire for Egypt's welfare that spurs you to take action." Without me, however, you would be powerless, and you know why." "Because without you our mighty lord

and souzerane, the Sultan, would designate the struggle for liberty a military rebellion, and help your brother, the Khedive, to crush

"You have said it, and 'tis no more than the truth But my beauty can sway the Sultan, for he loves me. And that beauty and that love combined shall obtain you that which alone you require to insure success. Provide me with a secret and trusty messenger to Constantinople, and in a month from now I will hand you the Sultan's authority and the Chief Imaun's blessing for the movement that shall give Egypt to the Egyp-

tian." Is it a bargain ?" "In the name of Allah and the Prophet, yes," answered the war minister, with fervid zeal, and then a silence of death fell upon the two conspirators.

CHAPTER VII.

THE STIRRING UP OF HELL BROTH

A month has passed away since the evening of the fete at the Ghezireh Palace, and seems to have happened, but as in the case of the little mole, which once upon a time was the death of a king, dangerous enough work has been done in the dark during that period, as we shall presently, see.

Introduce we the reader to the palace of Ahmed Arabi Pashs, the war minister, a big, pink house, with yellow jalousies and blinds, having a garden in front gorgeous with scarlet hibiscus blossoms, and to the malemlic of big hall thereof, which, according to custom, is the general reception room, and wherein at the hotter seasons of the year, on account of its coolness, meals are generally

taken as well. The floor was of marble, the surrounding walls were whitewashed and hung here and there with arms and armor, whilst surrounded at different altitudes by balconies or gal leries, some of which were fronted by a trellis-work of wood called mousharabies, the object of which was that the ladies of the "Your highness, honor instead of fear | harem could peer out therethrough (whilst of interest in the hall below.

Had any of the ladies been there upon the present occasion they would have beheld nothing that would have tempted them to cemain, for the salemic was occupied only by the master of the house and a couple of early morning visitors, who were walking and fro with measured strides and conversing meanwhile in Turkish instead their native Arabic, so that not a syllable their discourse could be understood by the sentry in a dirty linen uniform and red tar boush, who was posted just at the outer door, or by his companions of the main guard who were lounging on a stone bench close by gossiping whilst knitting, for the Egyptian soldier is generally handy with the needle.

Ahmed Arabi, the war minister, is the centre figure of the three, and he on th right with the crafty, cruel look in his face, is Toulba Pasha, afterwards nicknamed Arabi's brains, whilst his left hand companion is Suleiman Bey, who is fierce looking as a jackal.

All three were clad in dark blue regiment al., and all three wear the red tarboush or their heads, for no Mohammedan can don s head dress having either peak or brim by reason that five times a day his devotions oblige him to touch the ground or floor with his forshead, whilst he is forbidden to uncover his head during prayer.

It is now high time for us to discover what these three men are talking about, a task, which by donning our invisible coats we shall find easier of accomplishment than does the Aga of the eunuchs, who, concealed behind the carved moucharable of the lowest of the three galleries, is trying very hard to make the same discovery.

"You have the Sult n's firman and all is well," says Touiba Pasha.

"But our lord, the Sultan, grants that firman on the sole condition that we work in secret at the first and reveal not our high authority until success appears already assured. Thus it loses much of its value."

This from Arabi, to whom Suleiman Bey at once replied :

"We should have got on very well with out the firman, and its chief value seems to me to be in the fact that the Sultan thereby indirectly pledges himself not to oppose us in our designs. If the Sublime Porte remains neutral, we must succeed. Have we not tens of thousands wherewith to oppose the Feringhee's hundreds? Inshallah! (God being willing!) in another month we will have driven them all into the sea."

"On to the sea will suffice," said Arabi. "We simply desire to be rid of them and their creature, the Khedive, as well. We want to secure Egypt for the Egyptians. Allah knows that I have no higher or other ambition."

A somewhat incredulous smile played about the lips of Toulba Pasha as the war minister gave vent to these very disinterested sentiments, but he merely said: "W have no doubt of it, Excellency. We know you to be the champion of the downtrodden people, and it is the people whom we must now proceed to stir up, for their own good.'

"The army is ours to a man," replied Arabi. "The pay of a single plastre a day, especially when it happens to be two years in arrears, is a very low bid for loyalty and

cheerful service. "And for such troops the prospect of pillaging the banks, magazines, warehouses and shops of the Frankish swine would prove a temptation that they could hardly resist. Yes, I myself imagine that they are ours to a man; yet must the populace of.

So spoke Suleiman Bey: and Arabi re-

"It will be no difficult task, for to make them one with us we have but to tell the simple truth. It wants no coloring what-

"They know that the European merchants despise while they fleece them," growled Toulba Pasha. "The very children are aware of that."

"By Allah, European commerce quadruples the price of everything to the poor. echoed Suleiman Bey. "Aye, and it doubles their labors as well. There is no slave driver equal to an Englishman or a Frenchman.' "Bands of pilliagers are they all. They

"Because for every honest man Europe sends us twenty swindlers." "And the one honest man makes his fortune in Egypt only to spend it elsewhere.

have never known how to be useful to us.

That is not the way to do good to the country. "Yet our Khedive, who, as you well know, should be the father of his people, is never so happy as when surrounded by these blood-suckers, and feteing and feasting them on the money which he wrings from the starving peasantry for the special purpose.

To each new arrival who is armed with a letter of introduction, he says, 'Welcome. the riches of Egypt are yours,' and by Allah and the Prophet, I have never looked upon the Feringhee yet who has been slow to take him at his word."

This from the war minister, and his companions laughed approval. (TO BE CONTINUED.)

SUNDRY TOPICS.

The municipal authorities of Rome are removing antique works of art from the open air and substituting exact productions. The antiques are placed in the various museums.

Masses of deep sea ceral, many tons in during that month nothing of any importance | weight, which were torn from their ocean bed by the volcanic explosion in Sunda Straits two years ago, my now be seen two or three miles inland, whither they were borne by the tidal wave.

Half of the boys in the Dexter, Me., high school use tobacco, and whiskey bottles are passed around among them. A Dexter school girl smokes and swears in public. These cases were up for consideration at a recent local teachers' institute.

Watches may be sent for testing to the Kew Observatory in London, and a certificate of excellence will be given ; but so extreme is the accuracy required that no watch can be marked first-class which varies as much as one tick in 43,000.

Recent experiences in the Russian Government workshops have demonstrated the fact that the steel guns for the heavy marine and coast batteries cannot be made at home. and that, as heretofore, these orders had better be given to the Krupps.

A Providence woman gave birth to four children recently; the new comers lived but a few hours The husband took advantage of the sensation it caused, and got an adm sion fee of ten cents from each of the 500 people who viewed the little ones' bodies.

The Imperial and American Club-the outcome of an association of gentlemen de sirons of tightening the bonds of sympathy uniting all English speaking people—has just effected a fusion with the Hanover Square Club, and the new club calls itself the St. George's Club, Hanover Square. The club house is handsome, large, and well appointed; situated in the very heart of London, and possessing forty bedrooms.

The new water works for Venice, involving the construction of an aqueduct to convey water from the main land to that city. under the auspices of the Compagnie Generale des Eaux of Paris, have reached the finishing point after a lapse of some nine years, the finished works comprising the aqueduct, which passes under the lagoons; the underpipes for the distribution of the water, and two large reservoirs in the town, the water to be taken from the canal known as Dei Moranzani. Private families will be supplied with water at the price of sixty certimes per cubic metre-1,000 litres-special arrangements being also made for the supply of larger quantities of water at lower rates, while the minimum quantity of water which will be furnished is 250 litres per day.

The calculating machine invented by Prof. Thomson appears to excel, in its ingenious adaptation to a variety of results, even Bab. bage's wonderful apparatus. By means of the mere friction of disk, a cylinder, and a ball, the machine is capable of effecting numerous complicated calculations which occur in the highest application of mathematics to physical problems, and by its aid an unskill. ed person may, in a given time, perform the work of ten expert mathematicians. The machine is applicable alice to the calculating of tidal, magnetic, meteorological, and other periodic phenomena; it will solve differen tial equations of the second or even higher powers or orders; and through this same wonderful arrangement of mechanical parts, the problem of finding the free motions of any number of mutually attracting particles, unrestricted by any of the approximate suppositions required in the treatment of the lunar and planetary theories, is done by simply turning a handle.

An account is given of the introduction into England by Mme. DeLong of her metal cutting machinery, which has for some time been in successful use in France. She has now, it appears, perfected some ingenious machinery, worked by steam power, which cuts with the utmost precision the hardest and softest metals in any design, so that by it can be produced a gold lace pin or a steel castle portcullis from the solid metal, without any moulding or filing. This unique industry is divided into four general branches. The first is the production of gates, doors. balcony fronts, and other architectural metal works, without easting-plates of brass a foot thick being thus cut into lattice work at a single operation; a second branch is the making of lattice metal work filled in with glass, to supersede the ordinary leader frames for church and other ornamental windows; the third branch comprises the inlaying of plush and ebony jewel cases, cab inets, &c., with red and yellow copper, steel, and other metals; and a fourth for the working of picture frames, baskets, creats, &c., out of the solid metal fully finished.

Fate of an Old Hunter.

Simon Trumin, of Ball's Cabin, in the mountains near Eikland, was one of the oldest and best-known hunters and guides in Pennsylvania. He was 70 years of age. but was still strong and active, having only last week spent three days and nights in the open woods, during which time he killed a deer and a bear. He always asserted that he had killed over 200 bears, and it was well known that he had had many battles with them hand to hand, many deep and ugly scars on his body testifying to the fierceness of some of them. He had escaped many dangers in his more than half a century of life in the woods. Last winter he killed the long-hunted big bear that had prowled about this vicinity for more than two years, carrying off sheep and other stock repeatedly and successfully. In the fight with this bear Traman lost three fingers on his left hand the hand being so badly mangled that it was barely saved by the amputation of the fingers.

· A few days since two travelling Italians came to that place with two large trained bears. In the afternoon they left town, and a mile from the village met a team of horses belonging to a farmer named Gibbs. Gibbs was driving, and Simon Truman was riding with him to the village. The sight of the bears frightened the horses, and they turned square about in the road. The wagon was upset, and both Gibbs and Truman wece thrown out. Truman struck on a sharp projecting knot on a log at the side of the road. The knot penetrated his side to the depth of three inches. Gibbs was unhurt. Without stopping to look after his runaway team he compelled one of the Italians to help carry the injured old hunter to Elkland. The knot had broken three of Truman's ribs, and pushed the broken ends with it into his lung. He did not utter a groan a'l the way in to the village. He was carried to the tavern and a doctor called. When the doctor acrived, Truman said to him :

This will settle me. I don't mind dying. but it's the thought that after escaping from wild bears for fifty years I am killed through tame bears, chained and muzzled, that wor-

Trumen died three hours after being broug th m . He was the last of his family.

"It beats all creation," muttered old Mullethead, "what pains swindlers will take to beat honest men. Here, someone has saddled a lead 10 cent piec s off on me." " Can't you pass it again ?" timidly suggested his lesser half. "Pass it !" he shouted ; why, the thing is as black as my hat ! No. I'll have to put it in the contribution-box."

"It fills my heart with joy," said an earnest country pastor at the end of his sermon, " to see so many strangers among our congregation on this beautiful Sabbath morning. Sojourners in our town are always weicome : we want them to come. Young men and old men whom pleasure or business has called away from the softening influences of home, we greet them with open hearts. The collection will now be taken up."