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SYNORSIS OF PI- CEDING CHAP-TERS:-Richard H eras, an Aus tralian is left to and for himself at a tender age. I amasses a competency and determ s to visit Enghand. In Sydney, wl e he is to take boat, he rescues Mis Wetherell from thugs. She with h father, sails on the same boat. The fall in love. Her father objects; they become secretly/ engaged. After a rief stay, her of Glenbarth, sends

urn to Austra-3 Marquis. of her, the Duke son in charge of his tutor, Mr. B. er, to see the world. The head c the plot is Dr. Nikola, who has as gents. Baxter. Eastover and Prend zast. Hatterbs sails to Australia on e boat in which Beckenham starts, They both disemba t on his trip. Said and are impris ed by Dr. Nikola. After three eks they are liberated and find to Nikola has sent some one off to presonate Beckenham in Australia the vice-regal hous at Sydney, Beckenham disappe d. Hatteras alarmed exposes the mpersonators. who siee. Miss Wet cell is abduct-ed by Nikola. Beek sham is found

and furnishes Hatt

CHAPTER III. phtinued. Arriving at the sto of Messrs. Goddard & James, we ant inside and spector's uniform, ros and asked our white as a sheet, and trembling in

lia, [Hatteras is

plot, surrounding

Beckenham, whose

with a clue.

"The day before yer rday," began my companion, "you signified a gentleman with a number S h-Sea weap-Tremember doing so yes," was the was written in what was evidently a disguised hand, on common netegentleman's ar ter. "What paper, and ran as follows:-

"Only I should be gli if you would favour me with a description of the

you be so kind as to Well, in the first h very tall and rather ndsome; he well dressed."

That doesn't tell very much, does it? Was he alone

lastantly I become a excitement. "What was this sound person like?" asked the Inspect Well, I can hardly ive you a seed the curious epistle Mr. Wetherell had brought to my room I remained him?"

"You say, I can hardly live you a used the curious epistle Mr. Wetherell had brought to my room I remained him?"

"Be

make you see him as I div him. He wrapped in thought. was, fall and yet very sigh, had black hair, a sallow complexical and the companion asked. blackest cycs I ever sa in a man. He was clean-shaven at exquisitely dressed, and when he spee, his teeth

"Nikola for a thousa 12" I cried, at last: said the Inspector. Then,

turning to Mr. Goddard gain: "And may lask now what decuse they made to you for was ing. these "They did not offer an they simplyl paid a certain sum a vn for the

hite of them gave me thir address. and then left. And the address was? took the things there them away last night."

Thank you. And not one or two other questions. What name did the hirer give? "Eastover."

And when they left your shop how did they go away?" "A cab was waiting at them, and I walked out to it, with "There were only two o

think?" them, you No. There was at the d person waiting for them in the ab, and it was that very circumsta ce which them with the second cover. made me daxjons to have my things

Well, to tell you that would infolve a story. But per aps I had better tell fou. It was i this way.
About three years ago, t rough a distant relative, I got to Low a man named Draper."

"Brapar!" I cried. "You don't nean-but there, I beg yo r pardon, Pray go cn." As I say, I got to know this man Draper, who was a South-Sa trader. We met once or twice, and hen grew more intimate. So friendly did we at last become, that I even went so far as to put some money into a scheme proposed to me. It was a total fraud and a most unbin ness-like erson, and all I got out of the

transaction was the cases of enrics I and weapons which this man Eastover hired from me. It was because swered, "I want you, Mr. Wetherell then I went out with my custom- to tell me all you can about your their cab-I saw this man Draper their cab I saw this man servants. Let us begin with the came uneasy about them that I be butler. How long has he been with cams uneasy about my themes. Howthey returned my goods and paid the Aons.,

"And now tell me what you know of Draper's presentable" the inspec

"Ah! I'm amaid of that I can tell you but hittle. He has been twice de-sonce before my wife's death—that clared hankrupt, and the last time is to say, nearly ten years. You need there whs some fuss made over his have no suspicion of her."
schooner, the Merry Duchess." "House maids?"

Thank you very much, Mr. God-dard. I am obliged to you for your assistance in this matter.' "Don't mention it. I hope

what I have told you may prove of service to you.". "I'm sure it will Good-day." "Good-day, gentlemen." He accompanied us to the door,

then bade us farewell. 'Now what are we to do?" I asked. "Well, first, I am going back to the office to put a man on to find behind you," his master said. this schoomar, and then I'm going to find the impersonat the guest of and his victim, I hope."

"God grant we may!" "Where are you going now?". "Back to Potts Point," I answered. Dons.

I inquired the whereabouts of my bedroom, and on being conducted to asked to see the chie partner. An it, laid myself down fully dressed upassistant immediately inveyed us to in office at the rear the building, where we found an ellip gentleman the large of the pullow than I was fast asleep.

How long I hay there I do not know, writing at a desk. I looked up as but when I woke it was to find Mr. Wetherell standing beside me, hold-

every limb. "Read this, Mr. Hatteras," he cried. I sat up on the side of thebed and ons and curios on hire id you not?" read the letter he handed to me. It

"To Mr. Wetherell,

"Potts Point, Sydney. person who called up you about daughter is in very safe keeping. If them of a sampse of is letter, if you wish to find her you had better be quick about it. What's more, gular omission on your part, was it his every step followed. He called and saw a personally." You had better give up consulting the police, and such like, in the hope "Ah! That is good Now would of getting hold of her. The only cribe him?" way you can get her will be to act ce, he was as follows: At eight o'clock to-night charter a boat and pull down the lad if I remember ; with, a long you get there, light your pipe three frown monstache, and his decidedly times, and some one in a boat near by will do the same .Be sure to bring with you the sum of one hundred thousand bounds in gold, and—this is most important bring with you the plate astunishment. He laughed.

"You are wondering why I said came into the office."

"You are wondering why I said whose face singularly estigh remains not bring more than one man. If fixed in my memory—in sed I cannot will not hear of your daughter again. Yours obediently,

'What do you make of it?" my "I don't know what to say," answered, looking at it again.

"One glittered like, so man pearls. I that is that, despite its curious wordmy life." another man like him in ing, it is intended you should take it seriously."

binging my hand do k with a "I lo indeed. But I think when the Inspector arrives it would be just as well to show it to him. What do you say?"

"I agree with you. Letius defer consideration of it until we see him."
When, an hour later, the Inspector put in an appearance, the letter was accordingly placed before him, and his opinion asked concerning it. He read it through without comment, carefully examined the writing and sig-'83, Charlemagne Street Our van light. Having done this he turned to nature, and finally held it up to the will pick up the boat, as arranged in

me and said: "Have you that envelope we found at the Canary Bird, Mr. Hatteras?" handed it to him. He then placed it on the table side by side with the letter, and through a magnifyingglass scrutinized both carefully. Having done so, he asked for the envelope in which it had arrived. Mr. Wetherell had thrown it into the waste-paper basket, but a moment's search brought it to light. Again he scrutinized both the first envelope

and the letter, and then compared bought back as soon s possible, letter was written either by Nikola, "Yes, I thought so," he said. "This If I had been able to, I s mid have of at his desire. The paper is the same as that he purchased at the stationer's shop we visited"
"And what had we better do now?"

queried Wetherell; who had been eagerly waiting for him to give his 'We must think," said the Inspec-"In the first place, I suppose you don't feel inclined to pay the large num mentioned here?"

"Not if I can help it, of course," answered Wetherell. "But if the worst comes to the worst, and I cannot rescue my poor girl any other way, I would sacrifice even more than that."

"Well, we'll sed if we can find her dire. Draper proved perfect thing at all," the inspector oried. "I've got an idea in my head." .. . "And what is that?" I cried; for too, had been thinking out a plan.

> 'Nearly twenty years." "A good servant, I presume, and a trustworthy man?" ily increasing.

"To the last degree . I have implicit confidence in him." "Then we may dismiss him from our minds. 'I think I saw a footman en the hall. How, long has he been MEASURES TO PROTECT THE LIVES

with you?" "Just about three months." "And what sort of a fellow is he?" "I really could not tell you very much arbout him. He seems intelli gent, quick and willing, and up to his

"Is your cook a man or a woman?" "A woman. She has been with me

"He possesses a schooner then?"
"Two. Both have been with me some time, and seem steady, respectable girls. There is also a kitchen table girls. There is also a kitchenmaid; but she has been with me nearly as long as my cook, and l would stake my reputation on her integrity.

"Well, in that case, the only person who seems at all suspicious is the footman. May we have him up?" "With pleasure. I'll ring for him, Mr. Wetherell rang the bell, and moment later it was answered by the man himself.

"Come in, James, and shut the door t Nikola has take an hour or two's rest. By that not without looking, as I thought, a resonate Beck-time, we shall know enough to be level follow and able to lay our hands on Dr. Nikola could see had noticed this too, for he had been watching him intently, ever since he had appeared in the room.
"James," said Mr. Wetherell, "the Inspector of Police wishes to ask you whose door is also locked and guarde of guilty conscience. We thereupon bade each other fare a few questions. Answer him to the well and set off in different directions of your ability."

When I reached Mr. Wetherell's tor, "I want you to look at this en- aside private police, as it disregards house I learned from the butler that we doe. Have you seen it before?"

The haster had fallen asleep in the He handed him the envelope of the He handed him the envelope of the anonymous letter addressed to Mr. Wetherell. The man took it and burned it over in his hands. "Yes, sir," he said, "I have seen

door." 'From whom?" "From a little old woman, sir,"

the man answered. "A little old woman!" cried the inspector, evidently surprised. "What sort of woman?"

"Well, sir, I don't know that I can give you much of a description "For Heaven's sake tell me what we of her. She was very small, had a sort of nut-cracker face, a little black poke bonnet, and walked with a

"Should you know her again if you "Oh yes, sir."

gave you the letter?" man.' That was all, sir."

"And you didn't ask if there was precautions are observed. In his palan answer? That was rather a sin- ace his every movement is watched,

down the steps again." ell, I think we'd better see about man answered him in Russian. He getting that money from the bank. was one of the Czar's own private de-

You need not wait, my man." The footman thereupon left the

curious," answered Wetherell. "Well, let me tell you I did it with a purpose. Did you notice that young man's face when he entered the room and when I gave him the letter? is in the secret."

"You mean that he is in Nikola's employ? Then why don't you arrest

"Because I want to be quite certain first. I said that about the money because, if he is Nikola's agent will carry the information to him, and by so doing keep your daughter in Sydney for at least a day longer. I do, and I admire your diplomacy.

Now what is your plain?". "May I first tell mine?" I said. "Do," said the Inspector, "for mine is not quite matured yet." "Well," I said, "my idea is this. proposed that Mr. Wetherell shall obtain frank his bank a number of gold bags, fill them with lead discs to represent coin, and let it leak out before this man that he has got the money on the house. Then to-night Mr. Wetherell will set off for the water-side. I will row him down the harbour disguised as a boatman. We that letter. In the meantime you are on duty except at state func-must start from the other side in a tions. arrest the man. Then we will forde I took it out of my pocket and whereabouts, and act upon his in-

police boat, pull up to meet us, and formation. What do you say?" "It certainly sounds feasible," said the Inspector, and Mr. Wetherell nodded his head approvingly. room, looking much better than when we had found him on the preceding night, and the conversation branched off into a different channel. My plot seemed to commend itself so much to Mr. Wetherell's judgment that he ordered his carriage and drove off there and then to his bank, while I went down to the harbour arranged about a boat, and having done so, proceeded up to the town, where I purchased a false beard, an old dungaree, such as a man loafing about the harbour might wear, and a slouch hat of villainous appearance. By the time I got back to the house Mr. Wetherell had returned. With great delight he conducted me to his

study, and, opening his safe, showed ma a number of canvas bags, on each of which was printed £1,000. "But surely there are not £100,-000 there?" "No," said the old gentleman with chuckle. "There is the counterleit of £50,000 there; for the rest

propose to show them these." So saying he dived his hand into drawer and produced a sheaf of crisp bank-notes ... "There—these are notes for balance of the amount." 1. To be Continued.

STUTTERING CONTAGIOUS. Stuttering is considered contagious in Germany, There are over 80,000 stuttering children in the schools of that country, and the number is stead-

OF EUROPEAN RULERS. Leopold of Belgium Likes to Escape His fully guarded, and the late Empress Secret Police-The Ciar and the Sultan was diways intensely anxious in re-Carefully Watched-The Matter's Habits' gard to his safety, though absolutely Precautions Taken by Other Save

Europeam royalty may pick and shoose society to a certain extent, but the private police, like the poor, rulers have always with them.

Some covereigns object strenuously to the curveillance. 'A few manage, and the rest of the guardi in no seless escape it. Leopold II. of Belgium occasionally accomplishes that feat, by making his movements so sudden and unexpected that his vigilant protectors do not know he is going, until he has gone.

He frequently scurries off to his shooting box, in the Ardennes, quite alone, and often drives through his capital in a closed carriage unattended; but his police are conscientious, when they have the chance. At all public appearances he is guarded by a large squad of plain-clothes men; and at night, an armed and trusty valet locks the monarch in his room and sleeps in the antercom,

The royal family of Denmark sets many other irksome royal traditions; and, save on unusual occasions, goes about unattended and simply. But the members of the family who have become sovereigns of other countries t before; I took it in at the front do not live so simply.

THE DOWAGER CZARINA,

who was a Princess of Denmark, stepped into an atmosphere of private police. The Czar of Russia is guarded more strictly than any other monarch of Europe save Abdul Hamid, the

Nicholas II, chafes against the at tendance, but recognizes the necessity; and, wherever he moves, he surrounded by secret quards, as well as openly authorized attendants. If he walks in the forest of Peterhof, he cannot flatter himself that he is "Did she say anything when she ing over bridges, studying fountains, are inconspicuous men, absorbingly "Only, For Mr. Wetherell, young interested in the landscape. When he travels or rides or drives, the same

"She didn't give me time, sir. She just put it into my hand and went the Czar mistook the path in the forest, and was obliged to ask his way, "That will do Now, Mr. Wether- from a peasant whom he met. The

The footman thereupon left the room, while both Mr. Wetherell and ly, was the only living ruler in Europe at the Inspector in complete astumishment. He laughed.

I stared at the Inspector in complete astumishment. He laughed.

The footman thereupon left the ly, was the only living ruler in Europe upon whose life no attempt had been made. Ill natured critics say smallest man alive—is Metruski, the adjection of mind. The average of the distriction of the distriction of the control of that, in fact, he deeply resented it, it. high. He can get into the "I must confess it struck me as and that the recent assault was balm clothes of an critique large doll, and to his soul. Dramatic danger a feel small in them. He makes more sensational monarch may endure, but

to be ignored! In spite of his apparent immunity, the German Emperor has always been accomplished, is much stronger in There can be no doubt about it, he surrounded by claporate precautions. His private police service is large probably last longer. efficient, and his famous sixfoot bodyguard, looking tremendjously spectacular in their eighteenth century hats and coats, are always in evidence in the royal ante-cham-

When the Emperor travels causes almost as much stir as the Czar. Every mile of the railroad, every bridge, tunnel and rail is examined. Special guards are stationed along the route and the train is well guarded. It is only fair to say that the Emperor himself seems altogether fearless, and makes so many sudden moves, without reference to safeguards, that his secret police are

chronically out of breath. THE ENGLISH KING

work for their salaries as their Ger-man prototypes do. They are for sitting at the "wheel." Her coaornamental purposes only, and nev- bunkers are about the size of a Glad-

lish royalty is in the hands of Supt. reaches the length of a hundred feet Fraser and his private police. The when he is grown up, and has teeth public, but less apprehension was felt about her than about the Prince of Wales, whose democratic fashion At of appearing here, there and everythat moment the Marquis entered the where, made him an easy mark for attack and kept his police attendants busy Supt. Winkler, who had special charge of the Prince's person, was not allowed to accompany him to Homburg last year, and insists that if that exception had not been made, of which 100,000 can find attending Sipido's attack would never have room

The Duke of York has his own private police, much to his disgust, and even in their play, by detectives.

Humbert of Italy was one of the monarchs who most cordially detested the necessity of police attendance, and avoided it whenever that was possible. He insisted upon driving about even the most squalid parts of

in spite of his objections. Whenever one met the handsome King driving in his dashing fashion one was sure to meet at a discreet distance behind the royal carriage an inconspicuous cab in hot pursuit, and in the cab was the keen dark face of the secret police. In the palace the

Piedmontese, who slept at his door and was always near him. The present King of Italy is much more strictly guarded than Humbert was, but the Dowager Queen Margherita goes wherever she chooses in to ourl himself up in it is a maryel

THE EMPRESS ELIZABETH Austria was democratic in her as iens as Queen Margherita and al ways objected to public attendance, which was nevertheless, imposed Tha Austrian Emperor, whose life has not been attable i since he was 19, is care-

unconcerned about herself. The percogal defence of the roya family. of Spain is intrusted to bodyguard of men from Espinosa this town having enjoyed the honor for hundreds of years. These men of Espinosa accompany the members of the royal family. One of them slippers pace the halls of the palace. But the nardest worked police in the world is the private force of the Sultan Abdul Hamid. A Frenchman, M. Bonnin, is at the head of the service, and, if ever a policeman darn-

ed his wages, he does. The Sultan has a firm and fixed be-lief that he is to die a violent death; and this cheerful certainty he contemplates with anything but Origital calm.. He refuses to move without a small army to protect him. When he goes to the Great Mosque 30,000 soldiers are urned out to guard the route and natroop of picked men surrounds the parriage closely.

In his relace he has fifty bedrooms, all with i on doors and complicated locks, and he circulates around in them like an Arabian Nights' montrol

THE HIGHEST AND LOWEST NOTCHES IN THE WORLD.

Inrgest and Smallest Diamond - Syls Giant and Hungarian Midget - The Huge "Celtic" and the Tlay "Threster," The biggest diamond in the world is the great bobind gem, which we gas average inkpot and worth about

Three murders and countless intrigues and robberies have had it for their object. It was sent to Britain about ten wars ago, and now belongs to a dependent of Great Britain—the Rajah of Futtehpore. The But familiarity breeds contempt, smallest diaground on earth belongs to and too frequently it has happened Mr. Broadhurst of London, the great that when accidents have occurred, it diamond merchant, and can just be has transpired that the man has been seen with the paled are A miles pareless as to observing the rules seen with the naked eye. A migro- prescribed for the prevention of activities light scope shows i to be of perfect water cidents. In the case of electric light and brilliancy and its actual market men, where the wires are charged value is about a penny as a diamond, with a heavy voltage, thick rubber

several Swiss plants, but Brenn over tops them all with his neight of 9 t. money than his big rival, earning \$10,000 a year as a "freak," while the giant Brenni only gets \$6,000. He lis proportion than the giant, and will

AS TO WEALTH.

the mightiest meome in the world is the \$12,500,000, which is raked in yearly by Mr. Rockefeller, the American ican oil king, and his accumulated money totals to something over \$353,-000,000; but he does not know within half a million what he is worth. The biggest income in the British Isles is Rothschild's 87,500,000.

The hugest steamship affoat just now is the "Celtic." Her coal-bunkers more than a ferry. The tiniest steamship on earth, which will carry a hijman being is the "Thresher," which rushes about in Plymouth Sound, has a bodyguard corresponding to the German bodyguard; but the Honorable Corps of Gentlemen-at-Arms and the Yeomen of the Guard do not father's clock, and any part of them

stone-bag. The real work of looking after Eng- is a whale called the rorqual, who longer than a man's leg. He mea sures forty feet round the place where his waistcoat would be, if he had one, and he can move through the water at the rate of 40 miles an hour. He gets through about ton of fish and other food per day when in robust health, to say noth ing of a seal or two. The littlest thing man has discovered in the world, so far, is a microbe called the thexus

ON THE HEAD OF A NEEDLE without crowding each other; and, as his children are constantly guarded, for what the creature ents, it is too small for the human brain to grasp There is a book called the "Worthy Bible," which is the biggest thing of the book kind in one volume ever yet produced. It is ten feet square, und two feet thick, and contains 30,000 pages. One may put alongside this Rome and Naples in an open car-ringe with only one attendant, and ever published—an edition of "Ham would not listen to the constant pro- let," which is a quarter of an inch tests against his reckless exposure square, contains eighty pages, of his life. His police service was printed with perfect clearness, and carefully organized, and guarded him needs an expensive magnifying-glass to read it.

The biggest building the world i ever likely to see is the Great Pyramid of Cheops, near Cairo, which took 100,000 men thirty years to build, It is 451ft. high, and covers, thirteen acrs of ground. Every brick of it is a block of stone three feet in height! King had a special guard a gigantic Against this, the smallest inhabited human dwelling on earth is a reedcutter's hut in the Fens, near Cam bridge, England. It is of wood, four feet square, with a bed on the floor and how the old occupant manages

IT IS NOT A ROMANCE AND HAS MANY DISCOMFORTS.

Ho. Has, Many a Lonely Trip, Dat Mis-Work Is Not So Dangerous As Is Popularly Supposed this Its Advantages. Perched high above the "man in the treet," breathing a purer air, it is no wonder that the "lineman" is, as a rule, more robust than the man whose time is entirely spent on terra firma. The popular impression is that the occupation of the lineman is a particularly dangerous one, but the comparative accident record does not sustain this view. The number of scaffold accidents is much larger in the proportion of men employed than the number of accidents which occur,

to linemen. Occasionally, of course, some un fortunate, lineman is killed by . shook from a powerful current of electricity, and is left hanging suspended in mid-air as from a gibbet, or comes in contact with a "live" wire and receives a bad fell. Such cases are; however, rare.

Much of the lineman's work is carried on from the roofs and tops of high buildings. A precarious foot-" ing on a highly-pitched roof, especially in winter time, is less secure than a comparatively snug berth in a tangle of wires on top of a 60-foot In the case of housetop work, the danger is practically the same as that to which almost any man in the building trade is exposed.

. DEATH IN LIVE WIRE Electric lighting and street rails, way companies' linemen are exposed to more danger than those of the telephone or the telegraph compannearly 450 carats, is as big as an telephone or talegraph wires that it could of itself do no possible harm. There is the possibility, however, of these wires becoming crossed with a trolley or electric lighting cable and

becoming very much alive. To prevent accidents as much as possible, instructions are always given the men as to the conditions un-As a curiosity, however, it is we the men to work with. Even with these precautions against danger, it de-The Diggest man in the world is quires men of steady nerve, and plen-Bream, the Swiss giant. There are dy of it, to handle and manipulate safely wires laden with a power which, if a mistage is made, means

instant death. home, and is constantly on the nbove. A telegraph lineman in the employ of the Canadian Pacific Telegraph Company may travel from the Hacific Ocean to Cape Breton follows ing the lines of the company all the

way. Yet there is but little romance in it. Travelers going over the selkirk Mountains may see romance in the grandeur of the scenery, but to have to live for weeks in a construcion car or a shanty is altogether dif-

The lineman may have to travel many lonely miles on foot, or by railway trieveled to search for a break h the line of communication.

MUST ALWAYS BE READY Men engaged in this class of work are known as, emergency men. They alone would hold a regiment, and must, always hold themselves in she makes the Atlantic passage no readiness to proceed to any point dlong the lines where their services may be needed. The work often involves, especially in winter, a great many discomforts. The city lineman also has many

discomforts to encounter in the pursuit of his occupation. Sometimes a sleet storm, such as that which occurred in Toronto in February of 1835. nd an even worse storm which occurred the winter following. , Miles of tangled-up heaps of wires were strewn along the ground, in many chses making the streets impassable The work of restoring order out of such a chaos is no slight undertaking, and involves a considerable amount of discomfort to those engaged in it. While the work of a first-class neman calls for practical knowledge n the art of manipulating wires. It bes not require a great amount of technical knowledge as regards the dence of electricity. The men are graded into classes as linemen and ound-men. The former graduate dom the latter, gaining their promotion according to experience and eneral steadiness of character.

HAS SOME ADVANTAGES. The life has some advantages over lat of the average laborer, and also of many mechanics. For one thing, employment is usually steady from one year's end to the other. The bricklayer or laborer, on the other hand, has to reckon on several months' idleness during the year. Tho liscount is thus taken off high wages is compared with chose of the average linemen.

HE WILL IMPROVE LATER ON. Isn't it a nuisance to button one's gloves I remarked the fair young girl' lose engagement had recently been

nhounced. always let my husband do it for ne, said her married friend. He but-tooks them in a jiffy. Why don't you ed your young man button yours! I did the other evening, and it took im nearly half an hour.

THE POWER OF FLATTER) What little feet you have ! exclaimed the kneeling shoe clerk, admir

carriage or on foot, and scorns the But he seems quite happy there. He quanter \$4 boots for \$0.50 and thought she had a bargain.