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Anthor of "Doctor Jack's Wife," "Captain Tom," "Baron Sam," "Miss Pauline of New York," "Miss Caprice." Hie.

the enemy seem almost ready to resk and run when Jack ceases firing. the fact that the terrible rain of lead stopped gives them new courage, and they rally. As he sees them adnace again Jack, who has everything n readiness, tries to insert new carmages into the cylinder, but this rork cannot be easily done, and he was gets three seated when tidges into the cylinder, but this howling demons are again at the win-

Once more the scene is enacted, but bile Jack has hopes of keeping them of he sees a new and terrible danger menace the occupants of the car. some of the Carlists, inflamed to white heat by their wounds, have run to the great bonfire, and snatching up arm-fuls of the brush begin to carry it slong, and pile it under the car. Their intention cannot be mistaken—they mean to set fire to the railway carriage, and roast the occupants.

In vain do the Pasha and Don Carlos storm-their men have been transformed into devils by the stubborn resistance of this man who defles them. and are no longer amenable to discipline. Those who urged them on have sown the wind, and they must reap the whirlwind.

It is a horrible situation, and ever brave Doctor Jack feels his flesh creep he contemplates the doom before Nothing that he can do will evert the disaster-already he is compelled to strain every nerve to keep the wretches from clambering in at

Oh! if the train would only moveminutes have passed since Larry disappeared, and they have been the longest minutes Jack ever knew. seeming more like hours. What has become of the little dude-could he have been waylaid and knocked over efore reaching the locomotive?

o, their doom is assured. Already a flaming torch has been applied to the brush beneath the carriage, and the crackling of flames cause Madame Sophie to cry out in

"To think that I should come all the way from Boston to be cooked in an oven like a baked potato. Some one save me-help! help!" No one notices her cries, for they

have other things to do. Avis no longer crouches by the side of the Bostonian—she has arisen to her feet, and Jack, feeling a hand upon his arm, turns and confronts her. "What are you doing here? Avis, for God's save go back again.

might be struck by some flying mise," he cries, earnestly. are," she answers. something desperate is done soon we

are doomed. That fire will set the car in a blaze." of my revolvers loaded, I would jump down among these wolves, frighten them off, and extinguish the blaze, but-" and his action completed the sentence, for he is compelled to clear the windows of the clinging wretches

"Give me the weapon and cart-! ridges. I know how to load it, thank heaven. You should have done this before, Jack."

Manlike, he has not thought of such a pos.!bility, but he sees the wisdom of her proposition, places the long revolvers and cartridges in her hands, and then springs at more ugly heads in the windows, which must be kept clear at whatever cost.

The flames crackle merrily below as the fire gains headway, and the Carlists seem to be abandoning the attack to some extent, certain that the heat will either roast their enemies in dares not start without orders. the car, or drive them but to fall vic-

tims to those who lie in wait. In the midst of this intensely dramatic situation there suddenly rings pointing to the throttle. out upon the night air a shrill crythe voice is clear and resonant, piercing the atmosphere and striking ter-

ror to the heart of each Carlist. "F."! fly for your lives, comrades! It is a trap! We are lost! The soldiers are surrounding us. Fly in the name of the Virgin!"

Wild excitement ensues-men utter oaths, and the wounded pray aloud to out of the carriage he has recognized the voice that has uttered those thrilling words in Spanish. It is Mercedes-yes, as he glances along the side of the train he sees the supposed peasant boy running toward them, waving his cap, and still shouting the words of warning that have created such consternation in the breasts of the Carlists.

Reaching the car under which the fire is blazing the brave girl immediately dashes the burning brands aside

-they are saved! It is only a temporary respite, however—the Carlists are recalled by the knows it is too early to crow—not for come through. commands of Don Carlos, who understands the situation, and come running or crawling back. Undoubtedly It is their intention to repeat the per-

formance, having seen how near success they came before. By this time, however, Avis has placed the loaded revolver in Jack's hand, and taken the other from him. He feels that all is not lost so long as this brave girl is beside him-her

presence gives him a new courage, and he knows they must succeed. Again he opens on the advancing foe -now he does not care where his bullets go so long as they cut home. These inhuman monsters would burne innocent women to death in the car in order to get at him, so there is no

reason he should spare them. They are possessed of a certain desperate valour-perhaps the sight of blood has wrought them up to the mage unwounded. He has known all highest pitch of excitement. At any rate, they continue to rush upon the car in a way that astonishes Jack.

Some crawl underneath it is thei object to once more gather the scattered brands and make a new blaze which this time they will guard zealously, and no false alarm shall send them scurrying toward the hills.

Again the situation becomes strain ed-Jack has emptied his revolver-he seizes that which Avis thrusts into his hand, and moves in the direction of the window. She reads his intention, and knows it is a forlorn hope. "No, no, you shall not go," she cries, her hand clasping his arm tightly.

"I must-it is our only chance. shall scatter the jackals or die try-

"You must not-will lot! It is unnecessary. See, do you not feel the car shake-we are moving Jack-the train starts—yes, and we are saved, and she falls back on his arm almost in a swoon, while Jack, discovering

the truth, cries :-"Thank God! Larry is at the lever!

CHAPTER XVII.

When Larry finds himself under the railway carriage he has already mapped out the course he means to pur-The other side of the train is | butpartly in darkness, and consequently this must be his line of advance in the

direction of the locomotive. He pursues it, at times hiding in order to screen himself from observation, but all the while drawing nearer the "head, of the train, that pulsating engine, panting there as if eager to continue its onward race.

Once a man confronts the dude-he seems to be desirous of halting him perhaps recognizing Larry as one of the party against whom the animosity of the Carlists is aroused; but the tourist is in a hurry, and cannot stop to satisfy the curiosity of this fellow -the clamour that arises from the rear announces that the battle is on, and seconds are precious. When the man attempts to use force, Larry gives him the benefit of the weapon he carries, and presses on toward his

goal, the puffing motor. More than once he is delayed by heing compelled to hide, so that minutes elapse before he finds himself in the vicinity of the engine.

The panic is now on, and Larry wonders what causes it, as he has not til early dawn they will creep northunderstood the cry raised by Mer- ward. With the early morning they we use dissolved rock when seeding cedes in advancing. It ceases, and may expect to see the green waters. This seems to bring about a very thank heaven, he is now beside the locomotive.

In appearance it differs from those "I am in no more danger than you he is in the habit of seeing in Ameribesides, unless ca, but they all work on the same

The engine-driver is in the cab, but has his head out, interested in what is going on. If the mob is about to burn the rear carriage, some one had better uncouple it from the rest, and let him pull them off to a point of

He is just telling a train man this when he feels a clutch on his arm. turns around, and looks into Larry's revolver. The desperate dude never appeared so big to any one in all his life as he does, in the eyes of the astonished engine-driver-the fact of his

holding a loaded revolver may have something to do with it. "Start the train ahead!" snaps Larry. His look and the tone of his

voice cannot be mistaken even if the other does not understand the words used. The man makes a gesture, and in broken English stammers that he "There is your order-start the

train," roars the irate dude, thrusting the revolver into the other's face, and The man looks him over as if to size

him up-there is something he does rot like about the diminutive New Yorker, and perhaps he sees death in his eye-at any rate, he turns sullenly around, grasps lever and throttle throws the one into place, and opens the other cautiously.

As the train moves, a shout arises without-men run frantically toward be taken off. Jack thrusts his head the engine, and Larry stands ready to shoot the first one who tries to come aboard. "Faster-open the throttle, man!"

and he gives the driver's arm a jerk rises. Bayonne comes next, and our

last car-no one can do it, for most of the shouting Carlists are left behind, congratulate each other on the sucand a few who still cling to the cars cess attending their efforts; but the are dropping off in great terror lest end is not yet-other dangers lie in they be carried off, and fall into the the future, which may be as yet hidhands of the government forces.

Larry beams with triumph, but he a moment does he relax his vigilance, since he has become assured that the matter, and with bright skies above engine-driver is a Carlist and may play them they pass through Bordeaux, them a trick yet.

By this time the blazing fire is left French capital, where every tourist far behind—they are plunging along eventually turns, no matter what his through the darkness of the valley. with only the stars as guides, but the rails hold the iron horse on his way. and all is well.

Every mile passed over makes them so much farther away from their enemies-the driver has made up his mind to the inevitable, and watches ahead, as is customary, while he holds his hand on the throttle.

Looking back, Larry sees that the train is intact, and he breathes free. One thing alone gives him worrythis is the uncertainty as to whether his friend has come out of the scrimalong that a terrible battle must have been fought back there by the barri-caded coach, and with the odds so trewho has never believed them equal mendous, it is possible that Doctor to it. FOR FARMERS

shead, and upon questioning the driver he finds he is correct. There is a Seasonable and Profitable Hints for the Busy Tillers of the Soil. function some ten miles farther on, where they take a new course, and

He dares not leave his post of duty a find out the truth and while the rain rushes onward Larry remains in

state of great anxiety, hoping for

Larry has an idea how the land lies

head almost north, for distant Bayon-

At this place there will be lights.

engines, people, and the motor will be

changed. They are behind time, but

they present speed will make up what

So Larry must posses his soul in

long. The swaying of the locomotive

is dreadful to one unaccustomed to it,

and many a time Larry is thrilled to

piece of mechanism about to topple

over; but mile after mile is placed be-

. On the right he can see the stars

ing Ebro, and which river they must

arms of Doctor Jack, who is as de-

True. Don Carlos and the pasha are

much they may accomplish later.

The railroad approaches the coast,

no exception to the general rule-light

appears without, and gray dawn

shows them the waters of the bay.

In places so close does the railway

trend along the shore that the waves,

rolling in and lashing the little beach,

Then they run into the small town

of San Sebastian, and soon the sun

At last they are in a condition to

den from their view, but are neverthe-

less as real as those they have just

The run to Paris is now no great

and speed onward toward the gay

object on the Continent. There is

but one Paris-it is much the same

to-day as during the last Napoleon

dynasty, when galloping along the

road to Ems with blindfolded eyes.

It seemed a terrible thing to poor hu-

miliated France to have Germany at

her door, and the gay capital of the

world in the hands of the Teutons.

but looking back to-day, who would

have it changed, since that defeat was

dition she rejoices in to-day—a re-

The United States now has 8,546

(To Be Continued.)

public, with no tyrant at her head.

seem directly beneath them.

because in this way the great moun-

in his ear, and he feels himself lifted at a critical time.

glimmering on the bosom of the flow-

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PROBLEM ON DAIRY FARMS.

An old question, but ever the proper time and place for | manure where rotation is practiced upon a dairy farm, writes Mr. H. E. Cook. It has been our custom patience, and wait—it will not be for to apply a greater portion directly to corn land first preceding the crop. After following over a portion of the field, using a part only of our mathe heart as he imagines the massive nure, an application to the newly seeded clover for a few years, I am now quite convinced that more satisfactory terms will come from such use, and the coming fall and hind, and as yet everything seems winter will find every acre of clover seeded last spring, dovered with a light dressing of stable manure becross at the junction. When he sees fore using it eisewhere. Our soil is the engine-driver raise his hand and a sandy: loam varying in degrees pull the whistle-cord, he knows they from spots quite light to others, are approaching the place where he while clay is not traccable, yet one can be relieved from guard duty and would not consider sand a quality. The washing after a heavy rain

Lights are shining ahead now, and will always show up the true characit is evident they are nearing the ter of any soil, however deceptive, point where the trains meet. Their and is really a proper time to study race becomes slower, and at length it. Lime rock underlies at unequal they come to a halt. Signs of bustle depths. This description will show abound, and Larry even imagines it a soil demanding constant attention resembles in a degree an American to maintain crop production, a soil He leaves the driver to his own de-licer and leaves the driver to his own devices, and leaping to the ground, hur-labor. It is surely ideal clover soil. ries back along the side of the train, Then in my judgment that plant anxious to ascertain what has become should have its every demand re-of his friends. On the way he runs garded. No treatment is more coninto some one whom he has not no genial than applications of stable manure. A sweetening tendency fol-"'Pon 'onah ! you must pawdon me, lows. The active living bacteriological soil content is increased, the

bodily from the ground by the strong part value of this treatment. Every farmer knows well that a lighted to find his friend as though strong, rank growth of clover althe dude were a long-lost brother. ways means a subsequent crop, rogether they walk to the carriage, whatever it may be coneral or lowhere they find things in their normal cal conditions must therefore folcondition, and the two ladies looking low that will produce such rank and on the average the product of the pro out of the window. Larry is warmly growth. Whether medium or mamgreeted by both of them, who look up- moth must also be a local or indivion the little dude as a here, although dual question. With us the main-Avis can never place him in the same moth is best. A friend always sows class with the man she saw holding modium and has frequently expostulated with me relative to it. Medi- storage, and pick, grade and So far as they can forsee, their um is no doubt better for him. The troubles of the journey are now over. question often comes back, why not apply at time of seeding? With us probably on the train, and Doctor Jack it would "kill the goose that laid remembers having seen Pedro Vas- the golden egg." Seeding with quez, the matador, in their company, grain, manure applied directly but it does not seem probable that means an excess growth of straw and they will be able to do any more mis- a light yield. The heavy growth chief on the road to Paris, however, will also, nearly smother out the

young clover plants and the whole Soon they are once more on the job proves a failure move. It is nearly midnight, and unthis tendency to To overcome grow straw at the expense of grain, once more the melee begins, but, of the magnificent Bay of Biscay on satisfactory nutritive ratio of plant points of a cow to look er. Added to this, the fall and win- milk veins were important ter top dressing and a failure comes ed poor milkers, while lar tain wall of the Pyrenees is avoided

ing into that fair face. Will he ever a second or more times cutting is up to her feed. It is also desirable have the privilege of pressing a kiss much preferable to pasturing on act to have her wedge shaped but the upon that sweet mouth. He is soreupon that sweet mouth. He is sorely tempted, but turns away with a
sigh, which causes Avis to open her
eyes and wonder what worries Doctor Jack.

All things must have an end, and
this seemingly interminable night is

Much preferable to pasturing on account of injury to the crowns of the
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COLD STORAGE FOR APPLES.

For several years Prof. Rane of the New Hampshire Experiment Sta-tion has been working on this subtion has been working on this subject and the results are now being prepared for a bulletin. Briefly they are as follows: On November 20, 1899, a number of barrels of apples were shipped to one of the Boston cold storage houses. Beginning with February two barrels were taken out each month until July and daubed, preterably with lime "Faster—open the throttle, man!" of San Sebastian, and soon the sun and he gives the driver's arm a jerk rises. Bayonne comes next, and our the throttle is thrown open, and with a jump the train begins to gather headway.

It is too late now to unfasten the ward Bordeaux.

The second to the sun of relief to think they have actually left Spain behind, and are speeding along to-shipment ranged between \$1.25 and ward Bordeaux.



"How many gallons of milk do you get a day?

"Gee ! You must have a good pump."

cold storage pays for the extra ble. One must understand storage will simply retard prevent entirely the spread pr cay. If the fruit is in prince "Larry! Great Scott!" Is shouted weak clover plants are made strong by to come out in proportionally

A mulch is a good condition. From an examination of the price paid in the fall and those the April 1 for the past six your results show that there has sufficient increase to warrant Uni tra expense of storage in every resulted in good profit. The recommendation of Print

is to pick the fruit relative tom. Use only the best grade the same day if possible. er the fruit is in storage picked and cooled down to an evil low temperature, the better With a proper knowledge of conditions carefully complications there seems to be no question that the practice of placing in cold storage can be recommended

CHOOSING DAIRY COWS J. B. Walker, who has had years' successful experience dairyman, says that there some their left as they advance upon food. A good thir yield of grain less of her personal appearance The Baronne.

The relief as they advance upon food. A good thir yield of grain less of her personal appearance The court and a splendid catch of clov-veins and a small milk well indicate the relief of clov-veins were important. seldom, producing the following ous veins and a large well in lice te principle, and, if necessary, Larry is in passing over to France. Besides, ready to set the lever and open the there are cities of considerable in throttle himself.

The engine-driver is in the cab. but when they move on the gentlemen.

WINTERING POULBRY and daubed, preferably with mortar, but stiff clay will do for a few winters. Have the most tight. A roof thatched with strain is warm 50 to \$4.25.

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prevent the winds blowing it off. It possible have both door and window n south side of coop. If the house is of boards, more work will be re quired to make it warm, and i time is an object, building paper is the best you can do for inside finish. It can be put on quickly with laths and nails, and is warm. Do not neglect to prepare a scratching shed, and have it adjoin the roosting

ONLY WANTED PART.

A certain reverend doctor, who for many reasons must be simply known by the ordinary name of Jones, is generally considered to be a most dloquent preacher, but unfortunately he belongs in some respects to the old-inshioned school and finds it nearly impossible to adapt himself to the prevailing fashion of short iscourses. It is a frequent joke, far beyond his own immediate family circle; that after writing a sermon he is obliged to cut it up into series of modern discourses.

A short time ago he received note from a well known clerical hat he would deliver a sermon upon Some special church festival that was shortly to be held. The doctor re to the effect that he would plied come and that he had just conpleted a sermon upon the Golden Call which might be singularly as propriate for the occasion.

The brother clergyman was an old friend and knew Dr. Jones very

portance that need to be visited.

When they move on, the gentlemen in and indicate confortable with rugs, having changed to quotier of narrient at the junction because of the dilapidated condition of the one that had sustained the attack of the mob—the guard, who belongs to Jack, body and soul, goes through to Paris, it is seems, and he looks after them.

Jack manages to sleep some himself in spite of the jostling of the car, which fact proves what a nature he has—few man could calmly sit down and take a nap after engaging in a sangulary battle with a desperate mob, determined to have his life.

Time slips by—Jack is up and down, now out talking with the guard at a station, and more than once bending over to gently replace a rug that has sustained the grivillege of pressing a kiss.

Her eyes are shut, she seems to be asseed, and he stands a minute looks alsep, and he stands a minute looks alsep, and he stands a minute looks asseed, and he stands a minute looks ing into that fair face. Will he ever land to the privilege of pressing a kiss much preferable to nasturing on accompany to the privilege of pressing a kiss much preferable to nasturing on accompany to the privilege of pressing a kiss much preferable to nasturing on accompany to the privilege of pressing a kiss much preferable to nasturing on accompany to the privilege of pressing a kiss. 270,161 tonnage; in 1901, 812 teamships of 537,166 tonnage, and 8,416 sailing vessels of 315,767 tonhage. The number of sailors has increased until in 1001 there were 15,412 officers and engineers (304 foreign) to the merchant fleet. The . number of foreigners is as striking as the increase of the commercial navy.

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