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it could not last. Finally the active Victor Durnovo came again. Maurice ture who had favored the brave once

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> Instead came Victor Durnovo. she was walking slowly home from a mild tea party at the house of a mis-Hearing footsteps on the self face to face with Durnovo

his tone. She did not trouble to tell him that am not going down on my knees to ask at Msala. Maurice was away for ten days. She you to do it. That is not my way. But felt that he knew that. Sunday School: 2.30 p. m. Judge Gorham'

pain. "I must leave tomorrow or the your power over Maurice may be, it is "Of course I will go," he replied. He next day. I do not like the idea of not strong enough for that. You over- looked down into her face with a vague Meredith being left too long alone up rate it." Of course, I had to bring a pretty large voice, "that I possess knowledge that I she was off her guard. Perhaps she escort. I brought down £60,000 worth have only to mention to one or two read this man aright and did not care.

of simiacine." "Have you had any more sickness made him wince.

quite ail right." "What time do you start?" she asked. There are letters for Mr. Meredith at CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY the office. Maurice's head clerk will 7.00 a.m. 10.06 ä.m. 11.15 a.m. 8.08 p.m

give them to you." She knew that these letters were 9.03 a.m. 5.26 p.m. 6.57 p.m. 8.46 p.m. West 9.03 a.m., 8.46 p.m. East 6.48 a.m., 8.08p.m

out her hand in an undenlable manner. to them both. The conversation had ; had expected and intended. But somehow it had got beyond his control. He sneered. had looked forward to a very different

"Where do you wish me to go?"

Chyne," she whispered "To Msala, on the Ogowe river. When can you leave?"

She gave him money and rode on trot, going toward the sea.

She waited for three days, and then was still away. There was an awfu full of resolution.

"I could not go away," he said after favored spot they vaguely called the relinquishing her hand, "without com-

> no longer there, but the eyes were full "Jocelyn," the man went on, "I sup- articulate cry of joy. pose you know that I love you. Will

"I was coming along to see you," he "Then," he said, "I will be candid action. with you. I intend you to marry me. "That," she replied, handing him the I'm not the man I was." I have intended it for a long time. I note written by Jack Meredith to Marie if you drive me to it I will make your "When do you go back?" she asked brother Maurice go down on his knees nearly two months ago," he muttered

and beg you to marry me."

man, an outcast, execrated by all the spect for Meredith. If he said that he "What is your knowledge?" asked

Jocelyn in a coldly measured voice. "If you will have it, your brother, Maurice Gordon, is a slave trader." She drew back as she might have 'cnew that he was not telling the truth.

"Supposing," said Jocelyn, "for one next day he actually left the little English gentleman? Even if the whole at that distance he feared Jack Mere is a coward and traitor! Do you think h, that he is forgotten? Do you think that all

"Marie tell me," he said, "that Mr. Meredith sent two letters. Marie give Mr. Durnovo one. This other letter," "You can hire a dhow," she said, "Can you go," she said after a mo-"and on the river you may have as ment's thought, "to St. Paul de Loanda

"It is my business," she sobbed. "It Msala now. They were going up coun"Take this," she said, "to the teleVictor Durnovo's coat, and that parti-

you bring back the receipt. If you have been very quick I will pay you

Meredith surrounded and in danger. Durnovo faise. Come at once. JOCELYN GORDON. In due time Guy Oscard landed the beach at Loanda. He had the togram still in his pocket, and he went, not to Maurice Gordon's office, but

Jocelyn greeted him with a little "I did not think that you could possibly be here so soon," she said.

"What news have you?" he asked, without pausing to explain. He was unlimited capacity for promi

Guy Oscard read it carefully. "Dated seven weeks last Monday,

"I don't think that you will do that," "But you will go?" she said, and "Suppose," he said in a low, hissing knows what he saw there? Perhaps

could hold out for four months I should



was darkened and Guy Oscard stood tioning. What a pity! But I always

rather unsteadily on the zinc covered | He passed his brown hand nervously "I want you," said Oscard.

"I leave for Msala tonight," said Oscard when they were outside, "and you I'll shoot you down like a rat."

"I'll see you cursed first!" replied Durnovo, with a courage born of Irish

His fingers closed in the collar of tent and looked at Jack Meredith.

CHAPTER XVI. TT was nearly dark when the little

tion on the coast. It is a wonderful thing how closely the nerves are allied

made the irony keener. "I've been too long in this country," exclaimed Durnovo. "That's the fact.

from his lips.

"The only pity is," he said judicially, "that you ever undertook to look for the simiacine if you were going to funk it when the first difficulty arose." Without further comment he walked away and entered into conversation A little puff of white smoke floated over with the captain of the steamer. "All right," muttered Durnovo be- minent danger. Some men are like tween his teeth-"all right, my sar- this. They die without getting at all

the canoes suitable for up river traffic trust in," continued Joseph. sending back the canoes for Oscard his watch chain.

"Quite," replied Durnovo after ques- offer One Hundred Dollars for any The half breed's jaw drop- knew it. I knew it was quite hopeless

> ever his face, where the perspiration "Yes," said Oscard slowly, "but

"Yes," replied Guy Oscard, "we will go on, and if I find you trying to desert

That's how things is." Joseph set For three months the plateau had been Guy Oscard said nothing, but he down his master's breakfast on the surrounded by hostile tribes, who made stretched out his right hand suddenly, rough table that stood in front of his desultory raids from is no good pretending otherwise; but I try to join the other Englishmen far graph office at St. Paul de Loanda and colored scion of two races found him-self feebly trotting the one street of stepped at Masia. Find out where there is money. report he was engaged in buttoning Meredith had no reason to suppose that his waistcoat. He nodded gravely, but his appeal for help had reached Msail

aliment .

"There's not more nor two or three In due time Msala was reached. As out of the whole lot that I can put any four men-that we brought from Men-

"And what does it feel like?" in- to him. They are of a different trim through the forest was to begin, and quired Jack Meredith, lightly arranging from the others not fighting men, but But Joseph did not answer. He these canoes he sent back word that stepped backward into the tent and

the hostile tribes were within a few brought two rifles. There was no need of many voices, the clang and clatter and after some space of time dier servant, respectfully mindful of

his place even at this moment. She came, and, standing before him Jack Meredith merely sat down be- ergy, restore vim and force to your over

It looking man with broad shoulders and box of Ferrozon

"These men, these friends of me, say

him as he walked away beneath the brought a change to the moral atmost their departure before taking his seat with the aggressive head looked stupidate. This majestic Empire could not

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The position was not a pleasant one. fection was rife in his small force

weak position, with unreliable men. what he could hit, he also knew how to

a little pause Joseph repeated the words significantly, if ungrammatical-"Those sort o' men."

"What do you mean?"

"Those forty men-leastwise thirty Mr. Durnovo's men that cultivate this

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"Nothing," she answered to herself

\* stopped at Msala. Find out why they gan to subside. The thing took its low the paddlemaker passed her at a

Maurice Gordon was in daily explateau. And Jocelyn did not pretend ing to see you."

among the men?" she asked at once "No," he answered; "they have been,

from Millicent. She had actually had They had reached the gate of the bungalow garden. She turned and held tutte a different sound, spoken in dif-

Gordon for the service turned her

to the state of one's health." "Wonderful!" acquiesced Guy Oscard, with a lack of irony which only

Guy Oscard smoked for some moments in silence, then he took his pipe

castic, grand gentleman. I'll be even flustered. cult to know where he could go. Eng- ner which was in keeping with his port the whole of the avraditionary force in one journey, a division was "I know what a barrack room mutiny vance column, journeying up to the to speak, before now, sir."

It was not very well done, and she safety of his housekeeper and the few seem yet to have realized the gravity saw through it. She prob- aged negroes in charge of Msala. This of the situation. He took very careful that. Moreover, his air was distinctly furtive—almost scared. It was evident again. The state to speak to me ably knew that he was as anxious as news only strengthened Oscard's decimal and pulled the trigger. A little ably knew that he was as anxious as news only strengthened Oscard's decimal and pulled the trigger. the window after was full of comfort. It somehow coast, and he personally superintended heads. The broad shouldered man

pedition was allowed to depart from faces with a glance of urbane inquiry.

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ing had already turned.

Jack Meredith, who found himself called upon to defend a

felt less and less inclined to exert him "Yes, sir. Those sort o' men. Meredith made no answer, and after

The man came a little nearer