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Outside the tall bronze gates where marble lions crouched the crowd that might not pass beyond stared, chattered, pointed and exclaimed without You can purchase Gifts for ion, transport and theft also employ was giving a ball, and it was enough for their happiness to watch the slow ams with well known crests upon their doors; to strive good naturedly for a peep at the faces and dresses, the jewels and picturesque uniforms; to JANADIAN PACIFIC KAILWAY comment upon all freely, but never GOING EAST impudently, asking one another what would be for supper and with whom the emperor would dance.

"There she is-there's the beautiful 5.03 n.m. 7.43 p.m. young foreign lady who saved him!" cried a girl in the throng. "I was there and saw her, I tell you. Isn't she an angel?" Going East—7.25 a.m., 3.43 & 9.44 p.m. Instantly a hearty cheer went up,

growing in volume, and the green coat ed policemen had to keep back the crowd that would have stopped the 12.01 p.m; 8.06 p.m. | 7.28 a.m; 4.23 p.m. horses and pressed close for a long CANADIAN NATIONAL RAILWAYS look into a plain dark blue brougham.

Virginia shrank out of sight against the state of signs against the state of sight against the state of sight against the cushions, blushing and breathing The Double Track Route quickly as she caught her mother's

"Dear people-dear, kind people!" she thought. "I love them for loving him. wonder, oh, I wonder, if they will ever see me and cheer me driving by

She had chosen to wear the white Sleeping cars on night trains and last moment the grand duchess had suffered tortures of indecision between girl, we may say, that it happened to burg. If Leopold constantly visited When the music ceased he fancled Parlor Car on principal Day Trains. Full information from all Grand that and the blue, to say nothing of a be her arm which struck up the them there we should have a scandal. for an instant that some accident had Frunk Ticket Agents or C. E. Horn. pink chiffon trimmed with crushed ng, District Passenger Agent, To- roses. Before the carriage brought them to the palace doors the girl's you mean," laughed the baroness. an insult. Either way he would be come in its due time he remembered membered everythem. blush had faded, and her face was as "Don't you think, then, that his majes- but poorly rewarding a woman who with pleasure a rule of his court estab. white as her gown when at her moth ty is right to single her out for so saved his life." er's side she passed between bowing much honor?" Her eyes were on the Baroness von Lyndal's color rallied been before him. After each dance an "Yes, I gives at the little in the little lackeys through the marble Hall of dancers, yet that mysterious skill to the support of her rouge, and her interval of ten minutes was allowed. Oh, I don't not the Lions, on through the frescoed Ritter- which most women of the world have smile dwindled to inanity, for she had nefore the beginning of another. Ten INSURANCE | Lions, on throng the frescoed ritter | which most women of the world have insisted upon the argument, and it was minutes are not much to a man who learned taught her how not to miss the insisted upon the argument, and it was minutes are not much to a man who emperor's guests awaited his coming. ment later than 10 o'clock, and a few lined face.

C. R. TURNER approach of the court from the fine And his majesty is on perial dinner party, and Leopold entitlemen in Europe." highness from Russia on his arm. Agent for Dale's Funeral Designe. the grateful emperor.

The instant that his dark head tow-Leopold been so handsome.

lect and firmness rather than for clas- and a call to pay respects?" sical beauty of feature, though his features were strong and clearly cut. But wondering what he could have seen chanceller, you do well to have faith Walls and ceiling were masked with Phone 162-MILTON | Mail and Empire... 5.00 | 6.35 | marred them in the eyes of women was smoothed away. He looked young caped from her now if escape had been to and position reads to be wisible wires, through which peeped caped from her now if escape had been to and position reads to be wires, through which peeped caped from her now if escape had been to and position reads to be a second reads to be and position reads to be a second read and ardent, almost boyish, like a man feasible, but be could not be openly he should be. I suppose even that if, erings of sunshine between netted pecting to find you. I did: 1. Montreal ram, nersing and Weekly Star. 2.00 3.85 who has suddenly found an absorbing rude to the wife of the grand master being but a young man and having the branches. Trees grew up, with their I shouldn't have gone had I The first dance he went through with

the Russian royalty, who was the haps to show the lady that her senti- advantage of old friendship to-er-Cook's Regulating Compound guest of the evening, and, still rigidly !, hers which he had not contrived to see since his entrance. He knew just how The London Zoo's menu is not only well Baron von Lyndal carried out his various in its dishes but very bulky instructions concerning Miss Mowbray. "What circumstances?" and the bar-WORTH in its aggregate. It comprises the he saw each partner presented to her needs of beast, bird, reptile, fish, and for a dance the emperor might not in the same and the ban oness looked as innocent as an inquirement. In 1924 the walrus alone consum- crisis he could not have forced the his majesty, I thank heaven, is not a ed four tons 15 cwt. of cod. The same expression in speaking with her carnivorous animals—lions, tigers, toyal highness from Russia as that panthers, hyenas, and which spontaneously brightened his "He has a heart, though you trained foolish to dance? Why, I believe that up at him with a wonderful look in since it is easier for a woll in

some of the bone also, of 440 horses. ginia. "Who is that girl?" asked Count von purpose before, yet there must be a Breitstein in his usual abrupt manner first time, and, the higher and more she had given the chancellor a few unas the arm of Leopold girdled the slim strongly built the tower, once it begins easy moments, for his eyes brightened to himself, "It will herrings and whiting, 1,590 pints of waist of the princess and the eyes of to topple the greater is the fall thereof." visibly with relief. "Ah," he returned, pass." And aloud, meaning all the shrimps, 343 gallons of fresh milk, Leopold drank light from another pair "Is it the sense of humor, which you "then they are going out of Rhaetla?" while to say something different and sions, over 14,000 tins of condensed milk, 1 128 lbs. of honey, 258 lbs. of ants' bunches of grapes, and 213,085 of eyes lifted to his in laughter.

and she fluttered a tiny diamond lack it. In any case, it's well that oldest friends." paying for this and the chancellor, are you jesting, or don't 2,957,116 visitors during the year cold and gray as glass away from the amuses me to discuss improbabilities, a suggestion of the soldier on duty in "I mean the thing I shall have to paid 263,219 at the gates, and for two figures moving rhythmically with 19 at the gates, and for two figures moving rhythmically with why not? Since you call them im- his unsmilling face and his readiness thank you for always." entrances to the aquatium and auto the music to the face of the once cele-tional £23,059, not to mention pay- brated heavily. Long ago he had ad-EZZ, UDB, not to mention pay brated beauty. Long ago he had ad- upon them as ingredients for romance.

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"Indeed!" said the chancellor, a gray gleam in his eye as he watched the white figure floating on the tide music in the arms of Leopold. "In-

"I thought you would have known, for you know most things before the bareness. "Lady Mowbray and her daughter are staying at the Hohenngenwald hotel. That's the mother litting on the left of Princess Neafried—the pretty Dresden china person. But the girl is a great beauty." replied the chancelior. didn't see the young lady's face at all Policies cover losses by fire, explos- jealousy of their betters. Unser Leo clearly yesterday. I was stationed too



"Who is that girl?"

slightest change of expression, if there going against her.

Until his arrival the beautiful Miss flung her little sop of flattery to Cer- memorable.

of ceremonies at the emperor's ball, hot blood of his race, he should stray roots in boxes hidden beneath the Every one helieved your and, besides, he was not unwilling per- into a primrose path you would take moss covered floor. There were grot- linabad, but when I into line line line. mental and unsuitable innuendos were put up signposts and barriers?" conforming to the line of duty, which as the buzzing of a fly about his ears. | "Were there the slightest chance of shadows, glittered the glass eyes of reads in the property that you in the

"I'm close upon seventy and no long- such pecessity arising." grumbled the birds and animals—eagles, stags, cham- chamois hunting. I mount it in it. defields, the second, third and fourth er a fair judge of a woman's attrac- chancellor, shrugging his shoulders. tions," he returned carelessly. "A look | "It's like your integrity and courage. peror had shot. of pleasures. But for the fifth, at her face conveys nothing to me, but What a comfort, then, that the neceswere she Helen of Troy instead of sity is so unlikely to arise!" During this long hour there had been Helen Mowbray the invitation, the dance, the compliments and the call with the present of some jeweled souvenir, are all that are permissible.

say I lack, that gives you pleasure in each other for twenty-two years. If it ness about his manner in a ballroom, guns.

ments the companies of the companies of the mired Baroness von Lyndal as passion. Not for worlds would I suggest that woman, but that day was so far dis- men to follow nor that poor, pretty tent as to be remembered with scorn, Miss Mowbray could be tempted to inand now such power as she had over discretion, but yet I'd be ready to make him was merely to excite a feeling of a wager, the emperor being human and the stri a beauty, that an acquaintance "I seldom trouble myself to jest," so romantically begun won't end with a bell and a call."

"What could there possibly be more."

there was an actual resemblance in feature, and joyously she searched for a few more little ribbon tipped ban-

miliated her woman's vanity in days for it is she who saved the emperor's long past, but not forgotten! She knew the chancellor's desire for the emperor's marriage as soon as a suitable match could be found and, though she was not in the secret of his plans. would have felt little surprise at learning that some eligible royal girl had already been selected. Now how amusing it would be actually to make other people hear of them," went on the old man tremble for the success of his hopes, even if it should turn out in the end to be impossible or unde-

sirable to upset them! "What could there be more in honer?" she echoed lightly after an instant given to reflection. "Why, the emperor and the girl will see a great deal of each other unless you banish or imprison the Mowbrays. There'll be many dances together, many callsin fact, a serial romance instead of a short story. Why shouldn't his majesty know the pleasure of a-platonic friendship with a beautiful and charm-

ing young woman?" "Because Plato's out of fashion, if ever he was in, among human beings with red blood in their veins and because, as I said, the emperor is above all else a man of honor. Besides. 1 doubt that any woman, no matter how pretty or young, could wield a really powerful influence over his life." "You doubt that? Then you don't

ten some of the traditions of his dance was over.

emperor has no youth in his veins." alike had earned him the nickname of trapped in the meshes of any pink and upward from a girl's childlike dimples "Iron Heart"-"as for what she did, if white Vivien. And if he admired a to the womanly arch of her brows-all it had not been she who intervened be- young woman not of royal blood he these charms and more which rendered "I have not? When tween the emperor and death it would would keep his distance for her sake. One girl a hundred times adorable took truth—vesterday dress with the pearls, though up to the have been the fate of another to do You say this English miss is with her hold of him and made him not an emso. It was a fortunate thing for the mother at the principal hotel of Kron-peror, but a man, unarmored. On the other hand, to suggest meeting befallen the musicians. Then when he and ham, the con-"Or she wouldn't be here tonight, the girl outside or incognito would be realized that the end of the dance had the rucksacks he

It was etiquette not to arrive a mo- were any, on the chancellor's square, In her haste to vex the chancellor he said in ten hours. Still, they are she had not stopped to study from ev- something, and to waste even one minutes after the hour Baron von Lyn- "His majesty is always right," he re- ery side the question she had raised. would be like spilling a drop of predal in his official capacity as grand plied diplomatically. "An invitation to So far she had merely succeeded in ir cious elixir from a tiny bottle containmaster of ceremonies struck the pol- a ball, a dance or two, a few compil- ritating him, and she owed him much ing but nine other drops. ments, a call to pay his respects—a more than a pin prick. Such infinitesi- They had scarcely spoken yet, exbed wand of ivory. This signaled the gentleman could not be less gracious. mal wounds she had contrived to give cept for commonplaces which any one approach of the court from the im- And his majesty is one of the first gen- the man in abundance during her twen- might have overheard, since the day ty-two years at the Rhaetian court, on the mountain, and in this first motered, with a stout, middle aged royal "He has had good training what to but now, if she hurt him at all, she ment of the ten each was wondering do and what not to do." The baroness would like the stab to be deep and

Mowbray had held all eyes, and even berus with a dainty ghost of a bow for To be sure, in beginning the converteel that it should be spoken of, for i when he appeared she was not forgot the man who had been as a second sation she had thought of nothing more was possible that the girl did not rec. ten. Every one was on tenterhooks father to Leopold since the late em- than a momentary gratification, but nize the chamols bunter in the emper-MILTON. to see how she would be greeted by peror's death. But-we're old friends, the very heat of the argument into or, and Virginia did not feel that she chancellor"-she was not to blame that which she had thrown herself had could speak of it. But, then, few they had not been more in the days warmed her malice and sharpened the things turn out as people feel they ered above other heads in the throne before she became Baroness von Lyn- weapon of her wit. She could justify should. room it was observed even by those dal-"so, tell me, can you look at the her expressed opinion only by events, Next to the throne room was the not usually observant that never had girl's face and the emperor's and still and it occurred to her that she might ballroom, and beyond was another say that everything will end with an be able to shape events in such a way known as the waldsaal, which Leo-His was a face remarkable for intel- invitation, a dance, some compliments that she could say with eyes if not in pold had fitted up for the gratitication

words, "I told you so." Iron Heart frowned and sneered. Her fading smile brightened. "Dear saal because it represented a wood.

round, madam." "I told you I was amusing myself. be disturbed.

consumed the flesh, and face when at last he approached Vir- him, chancellor, and he has eyes. He Lady Mowbray and her daughter are her eyes, and the young man's calm- man to hide feeling. may never have used them to much not remaining long in Kronburg." At last she was able to judge that his blood.

neither of us is the emperor's keeper." Leopold was not supposed to care for found that she did understand. She side?"

You can't a feel so good



know the emperor and you've forgot to lead a partner to her seat when a military coat blazing with jewe's at But tonight a new Leopold moved to "Are you trying to warn me of dis- the music. A girl's white arm on his bright thing that the hashed trace. -that slender arm which had been of electric light. quick and firm as a man's in his deing disagreeable! But I should be sor- fense—the perfume of a girl's hair Thus died the conjugation in the ry to think, as you seem to do, that our and the gold glints upon it, the shadow ignore the day that had been to of a girl's dark lashes and the light in gether. "I think nothing of the sort. What a pair of gray eyes when they were "Your ring! You gave it to I do think is that my teachings have lifted, the beating of a girl's heart near He kept it. He will always have not been in vain and that he has grown him, the springtime grace of a girl's Have I surprised your up to put his duty to his country and sweet youth in its contrast with the Virginia felt it would be been to on the old man, whose coldness to wo- his own self respect above everything. Voluptuous summer of Rhaetian types "Yes," but instead the arranged to men and merciless justice to both sexes He's a strong man-too strong to be of beauty, the warm rose that spread for pretty will be

lished in the days of those who had the mountain when

nored between them. Leopold did not

of a fancy. It was named the waldtoes of ivy draped rock in the corners, | von saved and here and there, out from leafy course I'd seen voor riching. ols, wolves and bears—which the em- ling. Oh, I'm sorry you asked me

This strange room, so vast as to seem empty when dozens of people wan- of an emperor if he were augres. away a woman's paint and powder and guests whenever a ball was given at first. then coldly counts the wrinkles underneath, the palace, but the conservatories and identis in those "I must have misunderstood you, then, paim houses were more popular, and drove away laught a moment ago," he said. "I thought when Leopold brought Miss Mowbray Leopold's break your argument was all the other way to the waldsgal after their dance it struggling to was in the hope that they might not like a flerce will

What can one do at a ball when one She was lovelier than ever in her got that a question had be a ness was mastered by the beating of "I wonder why you kept the

discussing the wildest improbabilities slowly, pleasantly and distinctly. "I mind broke through the crust of con-It was to Baroness von Lyndal that as if they were events to be consider, hear that they've been asked to the ventionality, "Why did you do it?" banances.

It was to Baroness von Lynual time | as if they were events to be consider- | hear that they've been asked to the ventionality, "Why did you do it?" | young to be the old chancellor put his question, ed seriously? If it is I'm not sorry to visit one of his majesty's | Virginia's eyes widehed. "I don't "No."

"We're at least his very good friends, dancing, though he danced—as it was knew, too, that the question had asked "It was a better reason than that you as well as I in my humbler way, his pride to do all things-well. Cer- itself in spite of him, but that once it chancellor, and you and I have known ininity there was often a perfunctori- had been uttered he would stand to his

> from the heart, "I couldn't help doing "You couldn't belp risking your life" to"- He dared not finish. "It was to save" - Nor was there

any end for her sentence. Then perhaps it was not strange that he forgot certain restrictions which been some poor subaltern with the zirl

There's something I must show

if his first love.

orders, he drew out a loop of the re-



