EDITORIAL NOTES.

All close observers of the progress of events in France agree that there are many signs which seem to menaco the continued existence of the Republic, at least as at present organized. The prolonged and bitter fight over the Dreyfus affair has brought out all the forces of reaction, and arrayed them in opposition to the existing regime. None of them has the same ends to secure, and nothing could be narily prevailing in France than a working coalition of, say, Republican revisionists and Clericals. Each knows that acting alone it can do nothing, but that an alliance, however informal and unacknowledged, of all the elements of discontent would probably represent more than onehalf of France. With the Republic overthrown, each might hope to attain its objects through a plebiscite, or if it seized upon power, to have its title confirmed by the electors, rather than plunge the nation into anarchy. Close behind thee gulfs are burning,

In this condition, it is of interest to inquire why so large a body of the French people are dissatisfied with life. the Republic. It has stood for a quarter of a century, is in the hands of the people to make it what they do they want to overthrow it? There are many reasons, the chief, per- at her house in London. haps, being the desire of Frenchmen to be conspicuous, to achieve external successes which appeal to their imtheir state great in the eyes of the world. As under the present systhe front, their first impulse is to solved to befriend. change the system, just as it is the der Parliamentary government to desirable to decide upon the girl's fuchange, under like conditions, their ministries. They do not believe that in doing so the continuity of the state fully, as she sat at a writing table inwill be menaced, for despite the fre- diting a letter to Eva. quent changes of its form since Louis XV. died, it is large and stronger than thing, isn't she?" it was at that date. Political revolution has thus far less of terror for Frenchmen than it has for other peoples, and, indeed, when a new system is set up, it is with the feeling that if it proves unsuitable, it can be changed.

that is meant when Frenchmen speak of dowager. of France. It longs, if possible, for some striking figure, but in any event do a kind action, and he felt some pity for the girl, whose story had been told place."

what her real wishes with regard to her future were, and to tell her if ever she wanted help or protection to appeal to him as though he were her a guide, it thinks the social cleavages bright enjoyable holidays. in France would close of themselves, the nation would be given a new initi- surprise as he made this observation portegee, not mine. ative in the affairs of the world, and she said:

But Mrs. Westbrook found the rectempted to ask her to trust her future ternal happiness which it craves would ing myself, but I remember that you self was consulted, his friends were and she never uttered one word to help be secured. Moreover, an important once remarked that she had wonder- written to, satisfactory arrangements him. conciliation of the two opposing facts en at having done poor Eva such bad to go to London and become an inmate brook, with this new revelation upon at once of universal suffrage and unishouldn't know her again if she came between now and the time of leaving. him, could not say all that he meant to say, and so he seemed to have got

in the world, or long periods of peace preparatory to resuming her letter.

"I suppose I must ask the girl here."

"I suppose I must ask the girl here." Republic has not thrown up a leader of the kind that Frenchmen crave. They have, therefore, been obliged to sponsibility when I promised to pay for her education. You don't object. I suppose?"

Often envied.

Westbrook Grange is situated near the south coast, a mile from the sea, in a richly-wooded country, and it was in a richly-wooded country, and it was Eva's delight during this first real.

"Then let us go and meet the south coast, a mile from the sea, in a richly-wooded country, and it was it must take it indoors."

Westbrook Grange is situated near the south coast, a mile from the sea, in a richly-wooded country, and it was it must take it indoors."

"Well let me carry it." to produce this condition of things. The Senate and the Chamber have deliberately chosen second class men, while his mother with unfeigned surprise. scene. sible to the Chambers, has enabled them to so shear the Presidency of its prerogatives, that little real authority is left it. The result is that a great mass of Frenchmen are wearied with what they deem the "commonout of the room.

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Mrs. Westbrook made on angular production of the sketch she had hidden care. would have done so ere this, but for quiet dignity about her rarely to be fully away; she would not have had Mrs. Westbrook made an angry ob-

She Would Be a Lady

CHAPTER IV.

What she learned she learned thor- a week the mistress of the mansion oughly, but the acquisition of know- was quite satisfied that there was no ledge was always a great labor to danger to be apprehended from her. her, and what other girls would mas- Fortunately, also, for Eva Mr. and ter in an hour she would sometimes Mrs. Church had gone away from the

She was like a wanderer in a strange Church. land, who, having crossed a chasm, So pleased was the lady of the had thrown down the bridge behind Grange with her young portegee that him, and had therefore no chance but she had more than once felt tempted would repeat to herself this old verse the girl to a life of independence.

Cast no longing eye of youth

Where the sunny beam reposes. Thou hast sterner work to do, Hosts to cut thy passage through;

Forward !- there is no returning." And she made the purpose of the Christian Warrior her own, and pressed onward bravely in the battle of

days passed uneventfully.

She spent her vacations at school, for she had no home, no friends, and like, and when all is said, is best ad- though Mrs. Westbrook wrote to her

forgot that she did not mean to adopt enable the girl to make her own way consultation with him. aginations and contribute to make in the world, and in every one of her letters she impressed this fact upon

the mind of her protegee. At the end of four years, however, tem, the nation has not, in their opin- Mrs. Westbrook thought she would ion, been brought sufficiently to like to see the girl whom she had re-

Moreover, the time for which she had! intended to pay for her education had impulse of other peoples living un- already been exceeded, and it was now

> ture career. "Dear me, she must be seventeen," remarked Mrs. Westbrook, thought-

> "Yes, I suppose she is," replied her

This he asked with a purpose. Experience had taught him that he could not injure a girl in his mother's opinion more fatally than by praising good looks.

His mother had a dread of his marrying, and she was also imbued with and that no further responsibility atthe idea that every woman that look- taches itself to me. The next quesed upon her son had designs upon his tion is, how to begin?" heart, and for this reason she him back to the rectory this evening, She was too childish to see the drift Again, the French people, whether guarded him like an elderly dragon

craves for an individual leader. It He was not by any means sensitive London, an artist, who had several it possible that he should ever ask her head of the state, not a committee, a thought that he would have to be very study with them." visible chief who will guide it, and ac- much in love indeed with a woman becept ultimate responsibility, and who fore he asked her to become his wife, thoughtfully; "a girl in London liv- her carriage, and then set off to seek and thus depose his parent from her ing among strangers will be exposed Eva. present position to the secondary rank to great temptations."

keep the army in check, and suppress him, and who, despite one or two sugit so" he laughed. "but I find brother. But the sight of that pordisorder with a stern hand. Under such gestions he had made on her behalf, it so," he laughed; "but I firmly be- trait had upset all his preconceived

"He was, but what of that?" asked the lady, not quite understanding his scene.

Seene.

Some to her own room, and there have remained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs. Westbrook had alight you readily catch cold if you leave the mained till Mrs.

still less to address a remark to him, Eva Randolph was not a quick girl. that before she had been at the Grange

have to spend a whole morning over. neighborhood, and the people of the This was not encouraging, and a girl village, who saw her riding about by less resolute would probably have falt- Mrs. Westbrook's side, never recogmore opposed to the conditions ordi- ered in her purpose, but Eva knew nized in the pretty young lady the that for her there was no looking back. poorly-clad stepdaughter of Mrs.

> to go forward, and often, when she to keep her with her as a companion felt weary and faint-hearted, she and discard any project for training which she had met one day long ago in But two objections rose against this

> a neglected album that had been her course; one was that Mrs. Westbrook did not require a companion-not be-'Dream not that the way is smooth, ing a particularly companionable wo-Hope not that the thorns are roses; man-and the second was the girl's anxiety to work. "I should like to become an artist, if

you think I have sufficient talent," she said, one day, when the rector and Ernest Westbrook and his mother were looking at some of her drawings. "Do you think I have?" she added, looking up wistfully. She had not meant to address hersel

to him, but her eyes encountered those The first three years of her school of Mr. Westbrook, and he replied, that you will look at them." warmly-too warmly, his mother thought: "Yes, I am sure you have."

apted to the needs of France. Why sometimes it did not suit that proud came over the girl's face did not escape alone." lady to have a school girl spending the notice of her patroness, and she her holidays at Westbrook Grange or scented danger at once. But she was he said, with a smile, "because if you too well bred to make any comment, do of course I must go away." Besides, this practical lady never and it was not until Eva had retired

> with this girl?" she began; "keep her want you or me." learn some profession?"

mean to do for her in the future," he that portrait of himself. Then he LUMBER, SHINGLES AND LATHS "How! What should I do for her in "My mother is safe enough; she has

to provide for herself, I should think," have a chat with you." he replied, indifferently, "I don't sup- "With me?" and the girlish heart pose that she is in the least degree began to palpitate in a most uncomlikely to marry, and she must live." fortable manner.

The young man shrugged his shoulders as he asked, indolently: "Is she?"

then I shall feel she is off my hands mind.

from all the assaults of Cupid. And that if you decided to allow Eva to of his question, and she regarded herfrom living long under a dynasty, or Ernest Westbrook smiled good humor- follow her own inclination in the choice self too humbly, and looked upon him

"Do you think that temptations are nature to a friendless girl, to ascertain

were made, and at length a day was Walking by her side, talking tender-"Did I?" he replied, conscious strick- fixed upon which Eva Randolph was ly, and sometimes idly, Ernest West-

versal conscription, and with it the into the room at the present moment, us, my dear," Mrs. Westbrook said, simply to idle away the time pleasant
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"I can give Dr. Fowler's Extract of With this capacity of the matter was settled." shouldn't know her again if she came between now and the time of leaving rid of his mother for an hour or two Peter Jones, Warkworth, Ont., who says disappearance of the menace of miliAfter all, no woman could have finer kindly, when the matter was settled. | simply to idle away the time pleasant was settled. | with this school girl. But both of the park and | ly with this school girl. But both of the matter was settled. | "And you may run about the park and them remembered this May afternoon Mrs. Westbrook gave her shoulders the woods, and do just as you like in long, long afterward. They had stroll- and was taken with diarrhoza very but Now, whether genius is dying out then she dipped her pen in the ink to town for the season, so I will take and talked, then had sat down My sister advised me to get Dr. Fewich

"No, it's nothing to me," he replied, Eva's delight, during this first real holiday of her life, to wander about by "I could let her sit in the housekeep- wood and stream, accompanied by sevfor the indirect election of Presidents her," remarked Mrs. Westbrook, dubi- had made great friends. She always carried pencil and paper and water sively, while he led the way back to planation was that some persons were "I thought her father was a gentleman, whom you once meant to marwould spend hours to marw man, whom you once meant to mar- would spend hours together in some taking it up, carried it into the house. ry?" said the young man, looking at favorite spot making a sketch of the

the lady, not quite understanding his and figures than in landscape, but she ad from her carriage, but Ernest call-had an artist's artist's artist's and figures than in landscape, but she ad how to the landscape, but Ernest call-hands exposed. "Well, you could hardly place his was determined to carry with her as servants" be retained to carry with her as servants be retained to carry with her as place his many mementoes of Westbern as place his retained to carry with her as place his many mementoes of Westbern as place his retained to carry with her as place his many mementoes of Westbern as place his retained to carry with her as place his many mementoes of Westbern as place his retained to carry with her as place his many mementoes of Westbern as place his retained to carry with her as place his many mementoes of Westbern as place his retained to carry with her as place his many mementoes of Westbern as place his retained to carry with her as place his many mementoes of Westbern as place his retained to carry with her as place his many mementoes of Westbern as place his retained to carry with her as place his many mementoes of Westbern as place his retained to carry with her as place his many mementoes of Westbern as place his retained to carry with her as place his r had an artist's eye for beauty, and she ed from her carriage, but Ernest call- hands exposed.

was determined to carry with the ed her to the door, and there his moth- The reason is very simple after the the the carriage. daughter on an equality with your many mementoes of Westbrook Park ple awaiting her. The result of this conversation was upon from time to time, was nearly tion. that a letter was written to Eva inviting her to come to the Grange, and morning—the last but one of her to be attached to the small attenin fundamental and worked to the small attended, pleased at the small attended, pleased at the small attended, pleased at the small attended to the body.

Then the possible meaning that might a more liberal supply of the heattached to the attached to the attached to the small attended to the small

seems little doubt. With that fear Also, she was inclined to be shy, and any sum that could be offered her. But room. This had been a white day in the calendar of her life and she did once removed as a result of the Dreyshe showed such a decided preference for Mrs. Westbrook's' society, and so her, so that, when the original was far not wish to spoil it." rarely ventured to glance at Ernest, away, she might still gather inspira-

tion from the face, which to her in-experienced eyes, seemed the most perfect, manly countenance that had ever

been created. Having finished her water-color drawing, she took out her hoarded por-

portfolio, and sat, for a time, thought-fully looking at it. Then she took her pencil, and began to make a line here, pencil, and began to make a line here, building lots, will be sold in one or more pencil, and began to make a line here, Bentinck, 100 acres, adjoining Town trait from the secret pocket of her Her heart was in the work. She for-

got where she was; she did not observe the expectant demeanor of the dogs. nor did she hear a footstep on the grass, and Ernest Westbrook had stood behind her watching her for some seconds, and wondering whether it was possible for him to escape as he had come, unobserved, when one impudent toy terrier began to bark, and made Eva look up in some alarm.

Ernest coughed, and Eva just had time to cover her drawing with a sheet of paper, when he said, without looking at her:

"I think I shall indict you, Miss Randolph, for stealing the hearts of my dogs. I verily believe that Leo is the only one that remains stanch and faithful to me."

"You mustn't say that," she replied, rising to her feet and feeling assured by his tone that he had not seen or recognized his own portrait. "Leo is the only one of the number that you regularly take about with you, and the others are glad of a little notice even from me, but they are ready to desert me any moment "Then you think I have no case

against you?" "Certainly not; you have only to The bright flush of pleasure that whistle and I should be left quite

"You don't prefer solitude, I hope?"

"Oh, no!" she replied, with a bright to bed that Mrs. Westbrook betook look that made her usually quiet face Eva as her daughter, but simply to herself to her son's room to hold a appear for the moment beautiful; 'but," she added, while her counte-"What do you think I had better do nance fell, "perhaps your mother may

here with us, or gratify her desire to Ernest Westbrook laughed, though he did not feel quite as much at ease as "That just depends upon what you he would have done had no not seen

the future," she asked, suspiciously. gone off to pay a round of farewell "You must either make some pro- calls; she wanted me to go with her, vision for her, or give her the means but I thought I would stay behind and

"And why shouldn't she marry?" "Yes, I want to know if you really

asked the mother, sharply; "she is as care about going to those people in son, carelessly; "rather a plain little good looking as most girls of her London, and studying to become an "Oh, indeed I do," she replied, eag-

"And there is nothing you would like

"Yes, I think her so; but, at any better?" he asked, the recollection of rate, I will let her learn a profession; that portrait still uppermost in his "No," she replied, promptly.

"You would not prefer to stay here

of a profession, he had a friend in as far too exalted a personage to think to feminine charms. Also he was daughters, and he thought they might to be his wife. And yet it was to this very proud of his mother, and he often be willing to take Eva to live and point that his questions were tending. Save "London!" said Mrs. Westbrook, his mind when he saw his mother into

In truth, he had come out of good Thousands of them die every sun-But he was a good-natured, good- confined to large cities?" asked her son what her real wishes with regard to had never known what it was to have lieve that to the pure all things are ideas. It had touched his vanity, and pure. However, I won't' attempt to told him he had a heart that this girl His mother now looked at him in persuade you. Eva Randolph is your in her teens could set palpitating.

tor's suggestion an easy solution to to him, to let her life's happiness be "I didn't think her very good-look- her difficulty. The worthy man him- his care; but something held him back.

then she dipped her pen in the ink to town for the season, so I will take preparatory to resuming her letter. you with us, but we shall not see and talked again, and the afternoon extract of Wild Strawberry. I got a local when Eve des. Whereupon Eva thanked her, and carriage returning to the Grange. "Must you?" asked her son indiffer- felt that she was free to run as wild "I think I had better go in," she cried in the distance Mrs. Westbrook's once." said, hastily; "your mother is coming

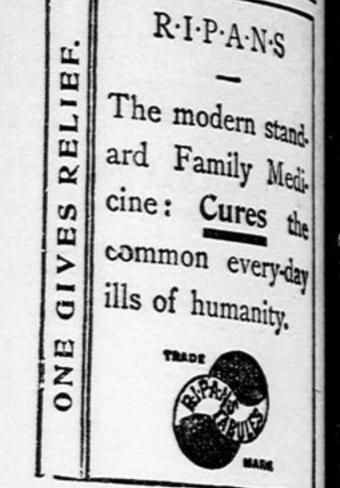
"Then let us go and meet her," he said, with a sudden flash of defiance. "But I have to fetch my portfolio;

"Well let me carry it." She hesitated for a moment, while her eyes involuntarily sought his; then her own drooped, and she yielded pas- the omniscient doctor, and his only estable while her own drooped, and she yielded pas-

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Many people marvel why they surfer so frequently from cold in head. The matter has puzzled eren Investigation shows, however, that if

Eva would have taken the portfolio is all due to the hands. No matter how

exposed than other parts, they receive the lungs. Here it sets up inflam ed cold. If you take care to well Then I hope you are prepared to gloves on any day that is rather chilly entertain her," he replied, "for to me, it is astonishing what a lot of you will ward off.

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