

Sunday School

INTERNATIONAL LESSON NO. IX.
MARCH 4, 1906.

Jesus Tells Who Are Blessed.—Matt. 5: 1-12

Commentary.—I. The gathering multitudes (vs. 1, 2). 1. Seeing the multitudes.—The multitudes referred to in verse 25 of the preceding chapter. Attracted by his miracles the people came in great numbers from all over Palestine. His fame reached even to Decapolis and to the country east of the Jordan. Into a mountain—According to tradition Jesus spoke this sermon on a square-shaped hill with two tops, which gave it the modern name of "The Mount of Beatitudes." Hattin being the village on the ridge at its base. The hill rises sixty feet above the plain and is situated near the centre of the west coast of the Sea of Galilee, a little back from the sea. Was set.—The usual position for teaching among the Jews. They stood to read the Scriptures, but sat to teach. Disciples came unto Him.—They occupied a position near to Him and the multitude was farther away.

2. Opened His mouth.—The expression marks the solemnity and importance of the discourse.—Fara. The Lord has given us a mouth, and we must open it and confess the truth which He has taught them.—The moment has come when the principles of the new covenant are to be enunciated.

II. The character and privileges of God's people (vs. 3-12). These verses contain the eight beatitudes, so-called from the opening word "blessed" (blessed) in the Vulgate. They have also been called benedictions. 3. Blessed—Blessed means more than happy. As happiness is higher than pleasure, so blessedness is higher than happiness. Blessedness is more truly divine. It is more than happiness produced by God's sunshine in the soul.—Vedion. Poor in spirit—All the beatitudes are affixed to unlikeliest conditions, to show that the judgment of Christ and of the world are different.—Benson. One who is deeply sensible of his spiritual poverty and wretchedness.—Clarke. The general opinion is, happy is the person who is rich, and great, and honorable in the world. The philosopher did not reckon humility among their moral virtues, but Christ puts it first. Theirs is—Now, at this present time. Kingdom of heaven—The kingdom of heaven and the kingdom of God mean the same thing, and have reference to that spiritual kingdom which Christ sets up in the hearts of His children. Paul defines the kingdom of God as being, "Righteousness, peace and joy in the Holy Ghost" (Rom. xiv. 17). But why called a kingdom? "I. Because it has its laws—the precepts of the gospel. 2. Its subjects—all who believe in Jesus Christ. 3. Its king—The Sovereign of heaven and earth.—Clarke. 4. They that mourn—That is, those who, conscious of their spiritual poverty, mourn. 1. On account of sin and its consequences. 2. Because of having offended a holy and righteous God. Comforted.—The Lord comforts by speaking the words of pardon and peace to their hearts. True joy is frequently the fruit of sorrow. This promise is positive, "shall be" comforted. It is not the taking away of sorrow altogether, but transforming and transfiguring it, and compelling it to bestow blessing otherwise impossible.—Peloubet.

5. Meek—Of gentle and long suffering disposition; of peaceable temper; submissive, compliant, yielding.—Standard Dictionary. When this due composure of mind has reference to God, it is termed "resignation"; when it is extended toward men, it is "mildness and gentleness"; when we consider it with regard to ourselves, we style it "patience."—Wesley. The meek can be cool when others are hot, and have the rule of their own spirits.—Henry. Inhabit the earth.—The land, and expression frequently used by the prophets to signify the land of Canaan. Under this figure our Lord promises the abundance of spiritual good provided for in the gospel. The Canaan of perfect rest and joy and peace is the inheritance of those who are truly meek. It is also true that God's saints get more out of this world than other people.

6. Hunger and thirst—A figurative expression. Hunger and thirst are the strongest of bodily appetites. After righteousness.—The state, or quality, of being right with God; exact rectitude; holiness, comprehending holy principles, and affections of heart and conformity of life to the divine law.—Webster. Righteousness here is taken for all the blessings of the New Covenant; a full restoration to the image of God.—Clarke. Shall be filled.—With righteousness. Every thing else fails to satisfy. God has Himself created the desire and He will satisfy the soul. Spiritual hunger and thirsting is an evidence of spiritual health. 7. The merciful.—The merciful, says Erasmus, "are those who weep over the calamities of others, who feed the hungry in their cloths the naked, admonish those in error and pardon the offending." Obtain mercy—As we deal with others God will deal with us. Mercy is purchased at the price of mercy itself.

8. Pure in heart—The heart is the seat of the affections, the desires, the motives, the will; with the pure heart these will all be pure. The heart is purified by faith (Acts 15, 9). True religion consists in heart purity. See God.—That is, possess and enjoy God. "None but the pure are capable of seeing God. He must be pure who wishes to enjoy a pure being. 9. Peacemakers.—Those who avoid contention themselves, and labor to restore peace wherever it is broken." Children of God—God is the Father of peace, and those who promote it are said to be his children. 10. Persecuted.—Those who are pursued by an enemy. "Fined, imprisoned, banished, scourged, tortured, always delivered unto death and accounted as sheep for the slaughter." For righteousness' sake—Because of right doing. Kingdom of heaven—See on verse 3. 11. Revile.—To slander; "to be abusive in speech or act." "Specially for my sake.—It must not only be false, but for his sake; because we are Christians and are bringing forth fruit unto holiness. 12. Rejoice.—Evil revilers contribute to our blessedness. To be persecuted for Christ's sake is to be crowned (Rev. 2, 10). Be exceeding glad—Leap for joy. There are cases on record where this has literally been done. The prophets—We are to have an inheritance with the prophets. Persecution has been the portion and the proof of the most eminent saints in all ages." Jesus said, "Woe unto you, when all men shall speak well of you." (Luke vi. 26).

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God's people (vs. 13-16). In these verses we have the "relations of the citizens of the kingdom to the world."—Peloubet. 13. Ye—Christ's true followers, described in the preceding verses. Salt of the earth—Salt preserves and purifies, and so Christians spread the truths of the gospel by which the world is preserved and purified. Christians are the saving element in society. Lost his savour—That is, has become tasteless, and lost its saltiness. Wherewith... salted—The question implies that the salt is entirely worthless. Good for nothing itself, but actually destroys fertility when it is thrown upon the fields, and for this reason must be cast into the street. "The truth which our Lord inculcated was that if they, the salt of the earth, the living depositories of true wisdom and holiness among men, lost the power and savor of vital godliness, they would not only be worthless so far as the enlightening and sanctification of others were concerned, but would also be cast out themselves.

14. Are the light.—In John viii. 12, Jesus says, "I am the light of the world." The Christian is not like the sun, self-luminous, but borrows his rays, like the moon, from a primal source. "Light is not openly opposed to darkness, but overcomes it; so the truth and holiness possessed by the disciples of Christ, who is the true light, dispel the world's darkness, by overcoming its ignorance and sin.—Riddle. Cannot be hid.—In the illustration vividly set forth the high illustration of the followers of Christ.

15. A candle—Rather "lamp" as in Revised Version. A bushel—Rather, "the bushel" (see R. V.), that is, the common measure found in every Jewish house. Strictly speaking, the modius, translated "bushel," denoted a smaller measure equal to about two gallons.—Cam. Bib. Candlestick—Rather, "lampstand." In the shape of earthenware or metal, in the shape of saucer, turned up on one side to hold the wick. Olive oil was used to burn in them.—Van Lennep. The idea is that even men would not be so foolish as to light a lamp and then cover it, and certainly God will not be so unwise as to illuminate His people and then keep them in concealment. 16. Light so shine.—Where Christ is in the heart the spirit of Christ will shine out in the life. We are commanded to shine in such a manner that our good deeds will give glory to God. We cover our light by pride, worldliness and ostentation; we let our light shine by living a humble, holy life, and by keeping filled with the love of God (Rom. v. 5).

PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS.
VI. "Blessed are the pure in heart" (v. 8). Away back in 1340 Walter wrote, "A pure heart is the throne of the Supreme Judge; the seat and secret chamber of the Holy Trinity; a lamp bearing the Eternal Light; a treasury of divine riches; a storehouse of divine sweetness; a panoply of eternal wisdom; a cell of divine solitude; a delight to all saints; a joy to the heavenly hosts; a terror to the adversary; a victory over all temptations; a weapon against all assaults; a reservoir of divine benefits; a treasury of all virtues; an example to all men; a restoration of all that has ever been lost. A pure heart finds its whole satisfaction in God; relishes and desires nothing but God." "Shall see God" (v. 8). An angelic soul cannot look upon God's purity any more than God can look upon his iniquity (Hab. i. 13). But the pure in heart see God. Dr. Parker, while crossing the ocean, sat for hours watching sea and sky. A young man flippantly asked him, "What do you see, old man?" The reply was, "Nothing but God." "The pure in heart see Him; see Him in providence, in pleasant surroundings, in the approval of friends, in the persecutions of enemies, in His word; see Him by day and by night; see Him at home and abroad; see Him everywhere."

A HEAVY LOSS.
BROOKLYN MESSENGER BOY DROPPED OVER \$30,000.
New York, Feb. 19.—The loss of \$30,400 in cash, checks and notes was reported to the Brooklyn police to-day by Frederick J. Ennis, a 17 year old bank messenger. The boy said he lost the money yesterday while carrying it from the Mechanics' Bank, Brooklyn, where he is employed to the Ridgewood Bank. The money, he said, was in a parcel in his inside coat pocket and he apparently fell out but he did not discover its absence until he reached the Ridgewood Bank. The amount reported lost includes \$24,000 in promissory notes, a check for \$6,000, drawn by the Jenkins Trust Company to the order of the Ridgewood Bank and \$400 in cash.

VICTIM OF THIEF AND BAD LUCK.
Strange Case of "Stranding" of Young Man in Ottawa.
Ottawa, Feb. 19.—Robbed of \$140 and disappointed in not receiving a letter containing \$200, which has evidently become lost in the mails between Ottawa and Montreal, Fernand Cario, a son of the late J. Cario, who was one of the wealthiest building contractors of France, is stranded in Ottawa, dressed in tatters, and without a cent in his pockets. The robbery took place at a stopping post on the Conroye River, about 150 miles north of Montreal, and Cario walked from it to Lennoxville last week's bitter cold weather. He has appealed to Charity Officer Keane for assistance, and efforts are being made to locate the missing letter. It has been verified that the letter was posted in Montreal by the French consular.

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Some Important Discoveries

Are made only after a LONG TIME OF PATIENT AND INTELLIGENT SEARCH. Yet we cannot say THAT THE PUBLIC WERE SLOW IN DISCOVERING the EXCELLENCE AND SUPERIORITY of

Blue Ribbon TEA

SEES GHOSTS; OWNS GUILT.

MURDERER MAKES A CLEAN BREAST AFTER APPARITION.

Stabbed a Chinaman, and Now His Ghost Walks.—The Murderer Scared Almost Out of His Wits and Tells All About the Crime.

Sioux Falls, Iowa, Feb. 19.—After having been buried for many months, the ghost of the Chinaman who committed suicide in the county jail some years ago took a walk and scared a confession out of "Big Boy" Burris, who is held on the charge of murdering Richard Tanner, who was knifed in the Hotel Madison, a colored rooming house, a few days ago. This ghost has been the cause of many a hilarious night in the county jail. Some declared it a myth, but others that it is a stern reality, and among the latter is "Big Boy."

"Big Boy" is placed in the steel cage in a corner of the jail for murder and kept, and about 10 o'clock at night let out a howl which nearly pulled down the building.

Station Keeper MacDougall ran out hastily with a loaded revolver in his hand and found Burris crouching in a corner of the steel cage, the very personification of terror and muttering in an excited way.

"Here, what's up?" said MacDougall hastily.

"It's there! It's there! Doan' let it get me, Mac!" he shrieked. "Ah saw it! Murder! Murder!"

Finds Wretch in Terror.

The unfortunate wretch threw himself against the steel bars of the cage and shrieked in his agony at the unseen horrors which are pursuing him. He twisted his fingers around the bars and tried to climb to the top of the cage. In an instant MacDougall had clicked back the door of the cell and laid an arm on the trembling man.

"Go easy, 'Big Boy,'" said MacDougall. "Go easy!"

Burris threw himself at the feet of the jailer and wound his arms around MacDougall's knees, begging and pleading not to be left alone in the cell.

"Come out," said MacDougall, and we'll take a look at you where it is light."

He took Burris into the corridor, where the latter fell in a heap to the floor and moaned at intervals. When he had recovered a little from his fright he expressed a wish to confess to the murder of Richard Clarence Tanner.

"Ah, can't sleep," he said, "an Ah's giving 'ess up to it. They," he jerked a finger toward the cell where the ghosts of the Chinaman and Tanner were supposed to be, "they is after me fo' sho'."

Tells of the Affray.
He was told that he did not have to talk unless he desired, but he insisted, and in the presence of Chief of Police Dennis, Officer Robert Carragher and Jailor MacDougall the confession was made. While telling the story Burris again became calm and at times laughed. He declared he never knew Tanner was out badly and that he had no intention of killing him. According to his story he was sharpening a toothpick with a pocket knife, and when the fight between Tanner and Miles took place he tried to interfere. Tanner, he said, made a pass at him, and he slashed back, cutting sideways.

Since he has been put in the jail Burris has had very little sleep. He declares that unless hands pull the covers off him every time he drops asleep, and on his waking he could see the ghostly forms of Tanner and the dead Chinaman, who committed suicide in the cell, walking about the cage. This, he said, has been going on for some time, till finally his overstrained nerves could stand no longer, and when the two ghosts appeared he thought they were advancing toward him to strangle him, and he screamed for help.

After making the confession Burris seemed to be greatly relieved and said he looked for a light sentence. He mentioned the case of Williams, who cut the throat of Orville Johnson a few years ago and was given a sentence of fifteen years.

"Mebbe the jedger'll give me same as him," he said; "if I said 'Not guilty,' he might give me ninety-nine years."

Having confessed and being willing to plead guilty, Burris may be taken before the judge at any time to receive sentence.

His Full Confession.
Following is the full confession signed by Burris:

My name is Henry Burris, aged 23 years. My father's name is James Burris, of Andersonville, S. C. My mother's name is Jane Burris, who is separated from my father, and lives at 212 People street. Tanner and Miles had a fight and me and Flower separated them. Tanner, it seems, got some 'cause I parted them—snatched him away a little rough—so he goes upstairs and gets his gun. So I told him, "You better go and put your gun back up." Then Jessie Carr she coaxed him to go upstairs and put away his gun. So he goes upstairs, and when he comes back he brings his bluejacket. So then Freddie says, "I'll go up and get my gun and kill him." So he (Freddie) starts out the door and Tanner hits him. Then I showed Tanner back and he hit me, and I lanced him with my knife and cut him. He turned around and ran and I ran behind him; following him, I said, "Put out your head off if you undertake to hit me."

RADIUM ALL GONE.

SUPPLY OF PRECIOUS ELEMENT ALMOST CEASED.

Prohibitive Prices for Few Atoms Obtainable—Experimentalists in a Quandary—A Speck Costs £70—Get in Your Orders.

London, Feb. 19.—The Express says: The supply of radium has practically ceased, and the price of this wonderful substance has become almost prohibitive.

"We would very much like to obtain more for our experiments, but we cannot afford it," said a consulting surgeon at a large hospital recently. "The discovery of radium is so important and revolutionary that efforts are being made both in America and this country to obtain efficient radio-active substances from other sources than pitchblende."

A physicist who has provided many institutions with radium of various qualities said that he was now unable to obtain any more from the great centre in Brunswick.

"It was from the Brunswick centre that Professor Giesel's pure preparation was obtained," he said. "There were, in fact, only two centres—Paris, where the discoverer's preparation, the Curie radium, was obtained, and Brunswick. The fact that the Austrian Government prohibited the export of radium is, of course, the reason of its present price."

"About three years ago it was possible to obtain the highly active radium at £5 for ten milligrammes, or one fifty thousandth part of a pound. Then the price crept up to 7, 11, 13, £25, and now a fair price for this mere speck of the element is £70. These specks of radium from tons of ore is so costly and tedious that it only pays to extract it in its highest and most active form. In this form it is found only in Bohemia. Hence the present difficulty."

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Minneapolis 83 1/2
Duluth 83 1/2
Toledo 89 1/2
St. Louis 87 1/2

Bradstreet's Trade.
Montreal: Wholesale trade here has taken on a rather more cheery tone. Cold weather has been general all over the country, and there is a better outlook for the country retail trade. Reports from the Ottawa valley and lumbering districts generally have not been bright. Until recently there has been little or no snow. The iron and steel trade continues very active. Sorting orders for dry goods are rather better, and the retailers find the demand for heavy goods improving. Spring trade continues very satisfactory.

Toronto: The sudden arrival of very cold weather has given an impetus to the demand for retail lines of winter goods, especially in the way of wearing apparel, but with the season now so far advanced it is not felt that the demand will in any way make up for what it should have been earlier. The wholesale dry goods trade has not yet felt much effect from the increased business, and the sorting trade continues quiet. Spring business is very active, heavy shipments being made to all points, and the outlook favors a continued good trade. The demand for hardware is especially active, prices holding stiff. Groceries are quiet, with sugars easy and canned goods very firm and scarce. Collections from Ontario points continue fair to good.

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Market Reports

—OF—
The Week.

Toronto Farmers' Market.

The grain receipts to-day were small. One hundred bushels of fall wheat sold at 76 to 78c, and 100 bushels of oats at 39 to 40c.

Hay in limited offer, and prices unchanged; 12 loads sold at \$9 to 10 a ton for timothy, and at \$6 to \$8 for mixed. Straw is quoted at \$9 to \$10 a ton.

Dressed hogs are unchanged, with light quoted at \$9 to \$9.25, and heavy at \$8.75.

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| Wheat, white, bush. | \$ 0 76 | \$ 0 78 |
| Do., red, bush. | 0 76 | 0 78 |
| Do., spring, bush. | 0 76 | 0 00 |
| Do., goose, bush. | 0 39 | 0 40 |
| Oats, bush. | 0 72 | 0 00 |
| Barley, bush. | 0 31 | 0 32 |
| Pearl, bush. | 0 80 | 0 00 |
| Rye, bush. | 0 75 | 0 00 |
| Hay, timothy, ton | 9 00 | 10 00 |
| Do., mixed, ton | 6 00 | 8 00 |
| Straw, per ton | 9 00 | 10 00 |

Seeds—

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| Aiskie, No. 1, bush. | 6 25 | 7 00 |
| Do., No. 2 | 5 25 | 5 75 |
| Do., No. 3 | 4 50 | 5 00 |
| Timothy, bush. | 6 25 | 7 25 |
| Dressed hogs | 1 50 | 2 00 |
| Apples, per bbl. | 2 70 | 3 25 |
| Eggs, new laid, dozen | 0 25 | 0 28 |
| Butter, dairy | 0 23 | 0 26 |
| Do., creamery | 0 00 | 0 30 |
| Chickens, per lb. | 0 00 | 0 13 |
| Pow, per lb. | 0 08 | 0 10 |
| Turkeys, per lb. | 0 14 | 0 16 |
| Geese, per lb. | 0 10 | 0 11 |
| Cabbage, per dozen | 0 40 | 0 50 |
| Caiflower, per dozen | 0 75 | 1 00 |
| Potatoes, per bag | 0 75 | 0 85 |
| Celery, per dozen | 0 35 | 0 40 |
| Onions, per dozen | 1 10 | 1 25 |
| Beef, hinquarters | 7 00 | 8 00 |
| Do., forequarters | 4 50 | 5 00 |
| Do., choice carcass | 6 50 | 6 75 |
| Do., medium carcass | 5 50 | 6 00 |
| Mutton, per cwt. | 8 00 | 9 00 |
| Veal, per cwt. | 8 50 | 10 00 |
| Lamb, per cwt. | 10 00 | 11 00 |

Toronto Live Stock.
Receipts of live stock at the city market were 15 car loads, composed of 252 cattle, 111 hogs, 4 sheep and 1 calf.

Several lots of cattle changed hands at about the same prices as on Tuesday.

Hog Products.
Dressed hogs in car lots are steady at \$8.50 to \$8.60. Cured meats are in good demand.

British Cattle Markets.
London Cable.—Cattle are quoted at 10 3/4 to 12 1/4c per lb.; refrigerator beef at 9 5/8 to 9 7/8c.

Winnipeg Options.
The following were the closing quotations yesterday at this market: Feb. 75 7/8c bid; May, 79 1/8c bid, July 80 3/8c sellers.

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THE WORLD'S NEWS

CANADIAN

Frederick Kemp, a farmer of the Township of Sullivan, Grey County, near Chesley, committed suicide by hanging himself with a rope tied to a beam in his own barn yesterday afternoon.

Henry Hammill, of Galt, a young burglar, was arrested and has confessed to housebreaking. He cut his hand in the job and was traced by the blood dripping from the wound.

The scheme of the Salvation Army to form a colony in New Ontario is meeting with encouragement from the Government, and it is likely that five or six townships will be set apart.

Driver Frederick A. Weaver, of B. Battery, Kingston, tried by district court martial for striking a superior officer, a bombardier, was sentenced to 165 days in the county jail.

Dr. E. Aul, a well-known Calgary physician, has been arrested by the mounted police and taken to Claresholm, charged with responsibility for a criminal operation on a young woman of that town.

Sixteen Ottawa hotelkeepers are on the carpet before Magistrate O'Keefe, for illegal selling, as a result of the work of two informers, said to be in the employ of the Ontario Government. All the leading hotelkeepers are in the bunch.

A young man who had been notified as a delinquent in the matter of paying a statute labor tax appeared at last night at McCullum's office in London yesterday claiming that he was not of age. This the inspector disputed, whereupon the young fellow said he would prove it, and at once began rolling up his sleeve. The inspector was ready for trouble, but the visitor simply showed his bare arm, on which his name was tattooed, with the words, "Born September, 1883." "No man would have that inscription on his arm unless it were true," said the inspector, as he scratched the tax of the book.

BRITISH AND FOREIGN.
The special commission appointed by the President of the United States to investigate the Valencia disaster, arrived in Seattle last night from Washington.

The station of the Erie Railroad at Saratoga, Pa., was totally destroyed by fire to-day, together with considerable baggage and express matter. Three passenger coaches were also burned. The loss will amount to about \$30,000.

The personal gift of Emperor William of Germany to Miss Alice Roosevelt, has just arrived in Washington. It is a finely wrought bracelet of rare value and will be presented to Miss Roosevelt either to-day or to-morrow by Ambassador Speck von Sternburg.

Many miners are resigning their positions in the copper mines in the vicinity of Houghton, Mich., owing to the continued earthquakes or air blasts which have now become so frequent and dangerous that the miners fear for their lives.

John A. McCall, former President of the New York Insurance Company, who is ill at his home at Lakewood, N. J., although resting comfortably to-day, was declared by one of his physicians, Dr. Charles L. Lindley, to have very little chance of recovery.

A Berlin cable says: The situation at Algiers has again changed. There is a possibility of a way yet being found to bring the German and French Governments into agreement, though the exact nature of the suggestions which have been made by a neutral power are not made public.

Fast mail train No. 7, westbound on the Missouri Pacific Railway, which left St. Louis at midnight, was wrecked at the Gasconade bridge, 27 miles east of Jefferson City to-day. Three of the mail cars were derailed, caught fire and were destroyed. Several members of the crew were hurt, but no one was killed. The train carried no passengers.

BANK CLERK MISSING.
The Authorities Say the Loss Will Be Small.
St. John, N. B., Feb. 19.—There is a mild sensation in banking circles to-day. A clerk named A. Roberts, of the Bank of British North America, is reported missing, and the bank authorities admit a small loss by his departure, but say it is not at all serious. The young man in question is an Englishman, who came here only recently.

He is said to have been leading a rather fast life. The pensioners have extended over the past three months. Manager Hazen to-night said he was not sure about taking criminal proceedings.

CALLS IT A CHIMERA.
St. Petersburg, Feb. 19.—The Novoe Vremya, commenting on the report that Capt. Einar Mikkelson, the Danish explorer, has promised President Roosevelt to raise the American flag on the Arctic continent, expects to discover Wrangel Land, violently attacks what it calls American rapacity. It accuses the United States of intriguing to absorb Eastern Siberia by commercial methods. It contends that all new territory that can be discovered north of Siberia is Russian. The paper appeals for a protest.

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sion downstairs
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the Marquis and
dale and a live
three arrive do
breakfast which
to the castle in
trout, eggs, crea
And Vanne, a
and blushing, is a
eration. His own
makes him more
than ever, and a
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confidence:
"Jeanne has tel
It is very
Vernon knows a
great marquis, a
much as then at
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As for Jeanne, s
ing habit, she is
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chance her lover.
George has not
Vane has been o
a scolding and a
In the middle of
comes the sound
in a few minutes
heads spring back
door and stare at
a ghost.
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"Why not?" says
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along a country roa
out people knowin
sit down, and leav
have had your bro
you make your bro
Verona, blushing a
Hal, does as she is
"Well," says Hal,
"if this doesn't beat
Vane, I'm so glad."
"Yes, yes," says
"Eat your breakfast,
But the enemy is
as Hal has taken li
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down again, and pe
as death, Verona f
arm, and Jeanne, u
to her. Vane alone
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rest, and holds out
The count, grimin
fuses to take his ey
is about to speak,
him.
"I expected you,
"Will you sit down,
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leads him out.
But the count, h
tracking his prey, re
far, and pulls up, a
right as a soldier, o
Vane smees at her
"Do not be alarme
"I will answer that
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"Soli!" says the
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to keep up his
"You will not be
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that her highness
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her future husband
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"Listen to me, m
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The count, trembl
twirls his moustache.
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der merces, and, in
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The two men conf
count, scrutinizing
count shrugs his sh
"You are aware, I
"that you lay my co
putation. The man
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are in my holster c
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Vane