

# THE GOLDEN KEY

Or "The Adventures of Ledgeard."  
By the Author of "What He Cost Her."

## CHAPTER XXVIII.

It was then perhaps that Trent fought the hardest battle of his life. The start was made with only a dozen Kra boys, Trent himself, strapping to the shirt, laboring among the spears in hand. In a week the fishing boats were deserted, every one was working on the road. The labor was immense, but the wages were magnificent. Real progress was made and the boy's calculations were faultless. Trent used the cable freely.

"Have dismissed Cathcart for incompetency—road started—progress magnificent, he wired one week, and shortly afterwards a message came back.

"Cathcart cables resigned—scheme impossible—shares dropping—wire reply."

Trent clenched his fist, and his language made the boy who had never heard him violent, look up in surprise. Then he put on his coat and walked out to the cable station.

"Cathcart lies. I dismissed him for incompetency and incompetence. The road is being made, and I pledge my word that it will be finished in six months. Let our friends sell no shares."

Trent went back, and, hard as he had worked before, he surpassed it all now. Far and wide he sent the same inquiry—for labor and stores. He spent money like water, but he spent for a better purpose. Day after day Kra boys, natives, and Europeans down on their luck, came creeping in. Far away came the rolling plain the straight belt of first-hand roadbed stretched to the horizon, one gang in advance cutting turf, another beating in the small stones. The boy grew thin and bronzed, Trent and he talked as though their lives hung upon the work. So they went on till the foremost gang came close to the forest, beyond which lay the village of Bekwando.

Then began the period of the greatest anxiety, for Trent and the boy and a handful of others knew what would have sent half the natives flying from their work if a whisper had got abroad, that a few soldiers were drafted down from the Fort, arms were given out to all those who could be trusted to use them, and by night men watched by the great red fires which flared along the path of their labors. Trent and the boy took it by turns to watch, their revolvers loaded by their side, and their eyes ever turned towards that dark line of forest which was the limit of their work. Yet Trent would have no caution relaxed, the more vigilant watch they kept. At last came signs of the men of Bekwando. In the small hours of the morning a burning spear came hurtling through the darkness and fell with a hiss and a quiver in the ground, only a few feet from where Trent and the boy lay. Trent stamped on it hastily and gave no alarm. But the boy stole round with a whispered warning to those who could be trusted to fight.

Yet no attack came on that night or the next; on the third Trent, and the boy sat talking and the latter frankly owned that he was nervous.

"It's not that I'm afraid," he said, smiling. "You know it isn't that! But all day long I've been watching! I'm perfectly certain that the beggars are skulking round the borders of the forest there. Before morning we shall hear from them."

"If they mean to fight," Trent said, "the sooner they come out the better. I'd send a messenger to the King. I'm afraid they'd kill him. Oom Sam won't come! I've sent for him twice."

The boy was looking backwards and forwards along the long line of disem-bowelled earth.

"Trent," he said suddenly, "you're a wonderful man. Honestly, this road is a marvelous feat for untrained labor, and with such rotten odds and ends of machinery. I don't know what experience you'd had of road-making."

"None!" Trent interjected.

"Then it's wonderful!" Trent smiled upon the boy with such a smile as few people had ever seen upon his lips.

"There's a bit of credit to you, Davenant," he said. "I'd never have been able to figure out the leveling alone. Whether I go down or not, this shall be a good step upon the ladder for you."

The boy laughed.

"I've enjoyed it more than anything else in my life," he said. "Fancy the difference between this and life in a London office. It's been magnificent! I never dreamed what life was like before."

Trent looked thoughtfully into the red embers.

"You had the mail to-day," the boy continued. "How were things in London?"

"Not so bad," Trent answered. "Cathcart has been doing all the harm he can, but it hasn't made a lot of difference. My cables have been published, and our letters will be in print

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## ABOUT THE HOUSEHOLD

### The Eggplant.

Well seasoned and carefully cooked, the eggplant may give in many disguises many varieties to the menu. Many of the recipes given below are from southern France where the eggplant is the favorite vegetable. When choosing an eggplant select one of medium size and firm, otherwise it will be too ripe and full of grains inside. However great the virtues of the eggplant may be, remember that by itself it is quite tasteless, so season and season well.

**Eggplant Salad.**—Put in the oven one eggplant, five green peppers and two tomatoes. Put in the oven the tomatoes first, then the peppers, and the eggplant last. Gradually remove fruit stains from tea-cloths or serviettes apply a little powdered starch to the stained parts and leave for several hours. The starch will absorb all the discoloration. In sewing on buttons if the knot is placed on the right side of the cloth, directly under the button, the thread will be less likely to break and become loosened, and the button will remain on longer.

To get rid of moths a few drops of oil of lavender on some small pieces of blotting paper and place them among clothes you have stored away. This is very effective for keeping moths away.

Never throw away soap suds. Poured at the roots of trees and vines they are most beneficial to the growth. Used for mixing starch they impart a gloss to the linen and prevent the iron from sticking.

Persons who are accustomed to use tealights for sweeping their carpets and find they leave stains should substitute some freshly cut grass. It answers the same purpose and gives a brighter and fresher appearance to the carpet.

Much of the excellence of well-cooked vegetables depends upon the proper use of seasonings and sauces. The seasoning selected should undoubtedly be suitable for the dish, but so much depends upon custom that only general suggestions can be made. The Italian and some other races are fond of garlic, the Germans of summer savory of "schoenkraut" in string beans, and the English of mint with peas. Each housewife must select the seasonings which her family prefers, and endeavor to use them in such a way that the special flavors may be most satisfactorily brought out.

**Fried and Au Gratin.**—When you cut an eggplant into pieces for frying, cut a different kind of bread than the one you use for the other. Use a weight for about two hours. Drain off the water, dry well and then fry. For the gratin cover with either tomato or white sauce and bake for from fifteen to twenty minutes.

**For Fritters.**—Soak the pieces two hours in milk; dry and fry, using the following recipe for fritter batter: One cup flour, two teaspoonsful of baking powder; one-fourth teaspoonful salt, one-fourth cup milk, two eggs, one tablespoonful lemon juice. Sift the dry ingredients; add the well beaten eggs, lemon juice and milk. Beat well. Prepare a few hours ahead.

**Stuffed Eggplant.**—Cut the eggplant lengthwise. Make incisions with a knife, salt and let stand for an hour. Drain off the water; cut the pulp and fry it for a few minutes in oil. Pound well; add four tablespoonsful of pounded ham, a teaspoonful of parsley, salt and pepper. Sprinkle with crumbs, to which may be added some parmesan. Put over it a little water and bake in an oiled pan for an hour. Of course you may use butter instead of oil, but the olive oil blends itself better with the eggplant. If instead of ham you use hashed nut-brown, cooked rice and a bit of garlic and pimento you may call this dish "eggplant à la Turque."

**Eggplant and Tomatoes.**—Peel the eggplant; cut lengthwise in pieces one-half inch thick. Salt, let stand and dry. Put in a pan; cover with the pan and cook on a moderate fire for an hour.

### Five New Ways to Use Lemons.

**Lemon Pie.**—Two slices of stale bread, two-thirds of an inch thick; one cup of boiling water; one cup of sugar, one tablespoonful of butter, the juice and grated rind of one lemon, two eggs. Dissolve the bread in hot water; add the sugar, butter, lemon and the yolks of the eggs, well beaten. Bake in a moderate oven. When done make a meringue of the whites of the eggs and pile on top. Brown in a very slow oven.

**Lemon Soufflé.**—One cup of sugar one tablespoonful of butter, two tablespoonfuls of flour, the juice and grated rind of one lemon, one cup of milk, two eggs. Cream the butter, sugar and flour together. Add the juice and rind of the lemon, then the beaten yolks and the milk. Add the well-beaten whites last. Bake in a pudding dish placed in a larger pan half full of boiling water. This is a most convenient pudding to make in a hurry, as it does not need a sauce. The top is a delicious soufflé and the bottom a creamy sauce.

### FREAK MEMORY REVEALED.

A Man Who Can Recite Walpole's "Old English Baron."

The possession of a freak memory was revealed during the course of a case of robbery tried recently at Melbourne. The prisoner declared that when the crime was committed he was in the hut of a man named Lane, hearing him recite Walpole's "Old English Baron," which occupied two hours and a half in the delivery. The jury disbelieved this statement, so Lane was called to prove that he was capable of the feat. He stepped into the witness-box and started reciting the story in a way that showed he knew it thoroughly. When he had gone on some time without a moment's hesitation the judge wanted him to stop, but counsel for the defence insisted upon proving his case by having the whole story repeated. Eventually, it was decided to admit the evidence if Lane could repeat the last page of the book. This being satisfactorily accomplished the alibi was allowed, and the prisoner received his discharge.

**Johnny's Alibi.**

"Johnny, how did you hurt your hand? I hope you haven't been fighting a hoop."

"Willie Jones called me a liar, mother, an' then he hit me on the fist with his teeth."

boil the water and add the cornstarch, mixed with a little cold water, and the lemon juice. Beat the yolks of the eggs with the sugar, add a pinch of salt and cook all together till thick. Make a meringue of the whites and spread over the top. Do not put together till just before it is to be served.

### Household Hints.

Never throw away bacon rind. Put it in the oven in a pan, then clarify the fat and use for pastry.

Don't throw away apple parings. Stew them with a little sugar to provide good juice for your apple pies.

Rub grease off knives first with paper. Treat very greasy plates the same way. Save the paper thus used for fire lighting.

No mother should allow nervous weakness to get the upper hand of her; if she does worry will mar her work in the home, and torment her in body and mind.

It is a good plan to keep a supply of old newspapers for spreading on the kitchen table when cooking. Old catalogues and exercise books also come in handy for standing pots on. To remove fruit stains from tea-cloths or serviettes apply a little powdered starch to the stained parts and leave for several hours. The starch will absorb all the discoloration. In sewing on buttons if the knot is placed on the right side of the cloth, directly under the button, the thread will be less likely to break and become loosened, and the button will remain on longer.

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### YOUR OPPORTUNITY.

#### By the Optimist.

You have had your eyes closed for years to everything except silver mines, real estate and the stock market.

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You may know, through reading or hearsay, that we have record crops of wheat, oats, barley, potatoes, hay and wheats; but has it conveyed anything beyond an item of news to your atrophied mind.

You have heard of war orders for shells, boots, clothing, guns, and provisions, of horses, mules and cattle being bought by the thousands.

Have you thought for a moment of what it means to Canada and you.

Do you realize that the wheat crop in the West alone will total over 250,000,000 bushels or about \$350.00 for every man, woman and child in the West?

Do you realize that the total field crop will equal \$800,000,000.00, or \$100.00 for every soul in Canada?

Do you realize that you can add to this \$144,000,000.00 for products of our mines, \$182,000,000.00 from our forests, and \$33,000,000.00 from our fisheries, and leaving out dairy products, meat and furs untouched, have a total of over \$1,100,000,000.00 produced in 1915?

Do you realize that Canada has received up-to-date over \$500,000,000.00 in orders for war material, and that this will be doubled in the next six months?

Do you realize that for the first time there was a trade balance in favor of Canada of \$37,000,000.00 in excess of all imports for the first seven months of this year?

Do you realize that for the first time Canada is able to borrow money in the United States for Dominion, Provincial and municipal purposes?

Do you realize that Canada could give every man, woman and child in Great Britain, 65 acres of land, or one acre each to every man, woman and child in the entire world?

Do you realize that capital in the United States is beginning to look for opportunities for investment, and that when the war is over the influx of immigration into Canada will be almost uncontrollable?

Try and look into the future.

To-day Canada has more money in savings accounts than at any period in her history, and this money must be spent in the future.

The United States is in the same position, and has over a billion dollars of a favorable balance of trade for the present year.

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## WHEN SOLDIERS ARE CAPTURED

### RULES WHICH GOVERN PRISONERS OF WAR.

#### While He May Think Himself Badly Used, He Has Something to be Thankful For.

Every campaign conducted on a large scale means prisoners of war. Soldiers who happen to find themselves in this unfortunate position are dealt with in accordance with a special code, to which all civilized nations have subscribed.

This code lays it down that "the object of detaining prisoners of war is to prevent their taking part again in the operations of the war, and no more restraint, therefore, and no more should be applied as is sufficient for that purpose."

This, then, being the case, the confinement in irons, or the fettering in any way, of a prisoner of war is unpermissible, so long as no attempt is made by him to rejoin his own party. For this reason the detention of such men is usually considered adequately provided for by merely keeping them in an enclosure that is surrounded by sentries.

#### Customs of War.

When, however, an attempt is made to escape, the enemy is justified in resorting to practically any means of securing a captive's confinement with this subject. In connection with this subject, it is interesting to note that in the chapters on "The Customs of War" in the "Manual of Military Law," it is expressly laid down that a prisoner of war who is justified in an attempt to escape, or who is frustrated after escaping, is liable to no penalty whatever on this account, provided he was not on parole at the time.

This is because the Act in question has very wisely decided that "The Customs of War" do not regard an attempt to escape a crime. Indeed, rather the reverse seems to be the case, for the punishment of penal servitude may, in the British Army, be incurred by any person subject to military law who, having been only taken prisoner, fails to escape when a suitable opportunity presents itself, or, as the Act has it, "fails to rejoin his Majesty's Service when able to rejoin the same."

#### On Parole.

If an enemy does not choose to extend parole, his prisoner has no choice but to remain in captivity. If, on the other hand, he is sufficiently magnanimous to offer parole, the prisoner, by accepting it, thereby binds himself to accept certain conditions. These usually favor the form of a pledge not to attempt to escape or to engage in acts of hostility against his "parole" during the continuance of the war.

Any such promise, however, must be confined to a limited time, as a soldier cannot divest himself wholly of a duty which he owes to his sovereign and country.

However much the present-day prisoner of war may feel inclined to consider himself as being hardly used, he has a thing to be profoundly thankful for. This is that he is living in the early portion of the twentieth cen-

## THE BRIDE'S FIRST BISCUIT.

"Ladle, what are you going to make?"

"Some biscuits."

"But why have you brought out the fashion plates as well as the cook book?"

"Well, I'm a little green at this. Do you make biscuits from a recipe or a pattern?"

Dynamite was first experimented with at Mertham in 1868.

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