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IN THE MASK

By JAMES BARDIN.

"Clayton proposed to me to-night," "He's an awful thrt," said her

confided Ruth, demurely. friend, Jane Barron, mischievously. "A man's a man."

"What did you tell him?" "W! Ruth dimpled. "Nothing-much. I cally. asked for time to consider. I know "I knew you well. You have danced any one. So-so he rather took me

"Yes," said Ruth, blushing. "Then why didn't you accept him?" "Somehow, I can't feel sure that he loves me. I may be one of his .fan-

before," reminded Jane. "I know. He cares for me now.

For weeks-months, nearly, he hasn't ooked at anybody else. But I'm not are that he cannot be tempted." Wait until Mardi Gras. Not leans is full of pretty women then,

suggested Jane, "Hitherto Clayton has him Ruth caught her friend's hand. "Wait-" she cried, and thought for moment. The two pretty heads bent ogether, and Ruth outlined a plan. "It-it's daring," said Jane.

"Will you help me ?" "Of course, dear. A staid young married woman like me loves to see others made happy. And I like

Three nights later Clayton Moran left his conee house and took his accustomed way toward his home. He propensity for falling in love with evpassed through the old French quar- ery pretty face. I do not know why ter, that nest of romance in the you sent for me-" heart of New Orleans. It was late, and he was walking fast.

"Misieu !" said a soft voice. Clayton stopped and peered up at the balcony whence had come the must understand that I have refused robes. call. He was in the light, but the balcony was shaded and he could see

involuntarily he caught at it, and And I'll send a gentleman." grasped a bit of paper rolled into a ball. He was about to toss it away, half angry that some unknown person to marry," he said. "I am willing to "Ah," warned the voice from the bal-

a note, written in a delicate, femi. "She's worth it-the girl I shall mar-

the corner of Rue de la Chaise and and softer lips brushed his own. may trust me.'

'How did they know me? For twen- clearly tieth century New Orleans, this is not "By the gods," he cried, "this bad. Lady in distress, ch? Well, I'm Jane Barron's house, as I live."

and the carriage. It was at the pointed place, and soon Clayton was rolling through the streets, He tried to keep his sense of locality, but Utica Globe. failed-the carriage turned too many | Senator Gore attended a recent Mecorners. When it finally drew up in thedist convention at St. Joseph and a dark courtyard, Clayton had no idea when addressing the delegates told the

I had my revolver." Another door opened, and Clayton brood.

the instrument. He waited.

"M'sieu Clayton, is it not !" she young pullets, left behind, were asked in French.

"Yes," replied Clayton, recovering ter little from his astonishment. He strove to pierce the covering of black are your brothers?" . silk. Her chin was exquisite. "You may call me Margot," said try. the woman, with a little laugh; "I mask my name as well as my face.

"Margot, it is a crime to mask what must be so lovely." "The name-or the face?"

To judge the name from what I can see of the face-both," he replied.

"M'sieu flatters." Clayton approached. "Why do you Washington Post. Col. Henry C

replied. "Will you be seated? I must talk rapidly." Clayton sat down. The room was years ago to a book agent, and about

"Will you answer one question?" he sked. "Where am I ?"

Margot looked at him steadily. "M'sieu," she asked, ignoring hi uestion, "are you married?"

"Will you marry me?"

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Clayton stared at her, stupefied. "Will I-" he cried. Margot watched him narrowly. She

was very beautiful. "L am in earnest;" she went on, after a moment. "My father left a will. If I am not married before my twenti-Clayton nodded mutely."

"I made a mistake. I dallied with my suitors, not realizing how fast time fles. The day drew near, and there was no one to marry." "Why did you choose me?" ironi-

he's a great heart-weaker, and all with me, played tennis with me-even the hirls are wild about him. But made love to me. Did I not wear this I've never heard of his proposing to mask -- Well, I like you. You are a gentleman, and I know I can trust you. You pass this house every night "Do you love him?" asked Jane, on your way home from the collechouse, and I thought of this plan to interest you-to arouse your sense of romance. If you will marry me, you need only sign the banns and never see me again-if you desire. There can be a divorce. And you would be given "He has never proposed to any one ten thousand dollars for your trou-

Clayton studied the mask. What sort f a trap was this ?. The woman seem-

ed a lady. But-"I cannot oblige you," he said, "I am sorry. But I am pledged to another." Margot came and stood before

"Am I not beautiful?" she asked

"As beautiful as a siren," he replied. She was tempting him. 'You love some one else?"

Clayton rose to his feet. "There is no use trying to tempt me," he said, resolutely. "There was a time when I should have met you half way in any mad scheme. But that is changed now. I have lost my

"You doubt me !" She was sobbing. Clayton thought "I apologize," he said. "But you your request. I shall go to my club. if you wish and send you a man who will marry you-for ten thousand dol-Something struck him on the face, lars; so you can save your fortune.

"Why won't you marry me?" "There is only one woman I wish try to provide you with a husband-" "You are very kind," she breathed. 'You are very faithful, m'sieur." Clayton opened the paper. It was "I trust I am," said Clayton.

"Mr. Clayton Moran," he read, "if Suddenly the light went out. Clayyou wish an adventure, go to-night to | ton felt himself caught in soft arms, Avenue Blanc. There you will find "My dear," whispered Margot's weaver passes the shuttle backward

and ask no question. I need assis- there was a blaze of light. Margot had tance and have sent for you. You disappeared. Clayton looked about make the pile. him. Things looked strangely fa-"The devil," muttered Clayton, miliar, now that he could see them

ripe for an adventure, my lady. I . He beard a slight noise, and turned don't know what Ruth would say to It was Margot returned, without the mask. Clayton hesitated for an in He turned on his heel and went to stant, then he caught her in his arms "Ruth !" he cried

Entered the Ministry.

following story:

A door in front of him opened, and | Once there was an accomplished hen he entered a dark hall. A hand with a brood of chickens-five roostgrasped his and he was led down the ers and five pullets-down in Oklahoma. The chickens matured and went lie purposes, reached the huge sum of ers. The subject of quick-wittedness "Gnd," said he, "I'm a fool. I wish their various ways, while the \$141,604,538. This is the total figured came up and Mr. Rockefeller said) mother hen busied herself with a new

was pushed into a dimly lighted In the course of time Methodists room, He heard a piano played soft. came into the vicinity of "Chickenly and when he became accustomed to ville" to hold a conference, and, as the light he saw a woman scated at might be expected, the five young roosters-fat, yellow-legged and ex-Presently the woman turned. She tremely tender-were feasted upon by various and sundry preachers. by the mother hen a day or two la-

"My children," she asked, "where

"They have entered the minis Bracing herself from the shock disclosure, a look of resignation spread over biddy's countenance

she replied Well, my dears, perhaps it is she for the best. They would not have made very good lay members, any

"Uncle" Joe's Cheque.

Col. Henry Casson, sergeant-at-"That will be known-presently," she arms of the House of Representatives, has the original cheque given by Speaker Joseph G. Cannon a few n semi-darkness. He could recognize which an interesting story has been

An agent visited the speaker and of something which Uncle Joe didn't want, but bought. When the books arrived Uncle Joe examined them and decided at once something had been put over on him. When the agent came for his money the speaker determined to make him endorse a terse sentiment on books, so he wrote out a cheque for \$73, the amount due. and on the back of it he inscribed

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CORONATION VELVET. Much of the Work Done on Hand Take a Ten Hour Ride for 67 Looms in Cottages.

London Daily Mail. In the ancients borough of Sudbury in Suffolk, the few remaining handher very lovely. He softened a little. loom weavers are hard at work making the velvet for the coronation

Among the number are the Misses Foakes, members of a family weavers who in days past were makers of bunting for the royal navy. In their cottage, which was once visited by the queen, are two hand looms on which are two lengths of beautiful velvet, one rich crimson in color and the

other dark brown. The weavers are meated when at their looms, their feet working pedals resembling those of an organ. There are two sets of threads, the visible one brilliantly lighted. forming the back of the material and the other the pile, each of these being delicately threaded through vertical threads known as the harness. The is pressed home by a swinging wooden frame. A cutter, which runs across the loom on a wire cuts the threads to

The process of manufacture is slow and tedious. The time is occupied not so much in the weaving as , in the cleaning. At each foot or so made the weaver uses a curious knife like a spokeshave and shaves the surface of

the velvet to clean it. There are now not more than thirty hand-loom weavers left in Sudbury, the Misses Foakes being among the number. The rows of weavers' cottages, now occupied by other artisans and general workers, show the extent of the industry fifty years ago.

Gifts of the People, Winnipeg Free Press. The beneficence of the year 1910 out by the Chicago Tribune, the dona . "As quick-witted a man as I Gver tions amounting to 897,492,407, and knew was one of our drivers-Timogrand total \$61,273,182 has been given days. to universities, colleges and other educational institutions; \$56,229,243 to charitable institutions of various kinds; \$17,654,433 to churches and stalls, the brightest harness and so other religious associations; \$9,536,680 forth. to art' museums, galleries, and municiies. Mr. Carnegie is driven to search- time came, sure enough his splendid ing for other ways than library-build- work left nothing to be desired. ing for ridding himself of his trouble "But as the inspector took one last some income. He keeps far in the look around, just as he had made cence, John D. Rockefeller, J. Pier- thy, he frowned towned by had pont Morgan and Mrs. Russell Sage fallen on a cobweb in a corner of the coming next, in the order named. Of gray mare's stall. \$20,782,762. In the regard of the wo change, and he spoke up briskly : men donors charity stood first, col "I keep that there web there, boss," cipal objects third, churches fourth, they torment the mare is sumpin'. and libraries fifth.

The discreet talker also has to spend a pertion of his time in thinking.

BOOTH'S KIDNEY PILLS CURED address that he once made. What Doctors Called Bright's said Mr. Sinclair. "The Jungle was

Mrs. M. Lewis, 13 St. David day at the time and feeling flush Place, Toronto, Ont., says: "I had opened my address by laying a \$5 doctored for over two years with many different specialists, but could find little relief for what they termed Bright's disease. I was so weak convert you all to Socialism. When I

ened and run could scarcely

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vice from the suburbs, in competition backache headache, lameness, lum- vich.

with the street railway. The gene bago, urinary troubles, dropsy and The husband of a lady doctor cuse in the morning.

guaranteed by J. B. McL (1) I The husband of a schoolteacher such conduct has a tendency to tempt come to the interesting talker.

CHEAP SLEEPING CARS.

The Swedish state railways have three classes of fares, the proportion in price being about as 5:3:2. Heretofore only the first and second-class passengers have had access to special sleepers, also run by the state rail-

ways, but now sleepers have been also put in for third-class passengers. A third-class cars formerly were supplied with only wooden seats, these new cars will be welcomed by third-class travellers by night, The new cars are comfortably equiped; the seats are upholstered and the compartments make much the same

impression, says the Daily Consular

and Trade Reports; as an ordinary first-class or second sleeper. They are The length of the cars, which rests on two four-wheel trucks, is fifty-nine feet six inches, and the width is ten feet. The cars are divided into eight compartments, each with two seats and giving room for six berths. The aisle from which one enters the compartments runs alongside the car's and is about three feet wide. The berths are six and one-half by two feet, and there is a special cover put over the upholstering, no sheets being furnished. A pillow, with a clean pillow case, and a blanket are sup-

The prices for these sleepers are very low. The fare from Stockholm to Gothenburg, 285 miles, covered in ten hours, is \$3 third class, and the sleeper ticket costs sixty-seven cents. The charge for sleeping privileges is uni form and independent of distance.

No Flies on Him. Utica Globe. John D. Rockefeller, at the end o in a day's testimony in the government's the United States, as expressed by suit against the Standard Oil comlarge donations and bequests for pub- pany, talked to a group of report-

the bequests to \$14,112,131. Of the thy-back in the business' early "We liked to keep our teams lookmual prize for the men who could show the best-groomed horses, the cleanest

"Timothy seemed certain of this pal objects, and \$1,911,000 to librar prize and when mid-year inspection lead as the largest donor of benefithis mind to give the prize to Timo-

the above-named grand total the "Timothy saw the inspector's face amount contributed by women was change and saw the cause of the leges second, art museums and muni- be said, to eatch flies. The way

> Very Good Reasons. Chicago News.

Upton Sinclair, the well known writer, told the other day about a school "It was a school of little boys," selling at the rate of 100,000 copies a

"'I am going to talk to you boys," and run down that I could not get | finjsh my remarks the boy who gives up from a chair without supporting me the best reason for turning So-

> "Then I spoke for some 20 minutes. The looys were all converted. At the end. I began to question them. "You me a Socialist, are you?'] said to the boy nearest me. "Yes, sin' he replied.

"'And why are you a Socialist?' I "He pointed to the crisp 85 bill. "'I am a Socialist,' he said, 'because I need the money.

worus. Don't neglect your kidneys, once The husband of a woman with a

ral impression, and especially among Bright's disease follow is merciless should not boast of what "we" know. The husband of the landlady of a meals. His role should be that of the those citizens who have had much to succession. Cure the kidneys with He doesn't know anything; his wife select boarding house should efface cliening vine pure and simple especially with the that whatever the guaranteed and safe remedy. In me, it all,

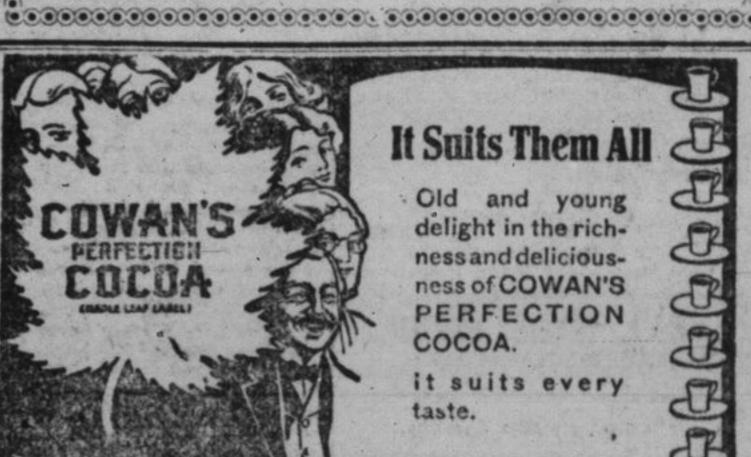
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