



IN TWILIGHT LATE.

With drowsy stroke and loitering hum The steeped clock tells time, And an after-hush of brooding calm Falls on the haunts of men.

Scoundrels & Co. By COULSON KERNAHAN

CHAPTER VIII.—CONTINUED. "So bad as that, is it?" said the collier.

"A long way," I replied. "I couldn't get there if I traveled all night." "Why? Where do you live, then?" "Nowhere," I answered, thinking vaguely that it was possible Number Three might be lurking within earshot, and that I had best sustain the role I had assumed.

Amelia herself, however, was more than disposed to be friendly, and it was from her that I learnt certain facts which had no unimportant bearing upon my enterprise. The most significant was that she was engaged to marry a "hartist"—which engagement having only been recently formed, she was burning to communicate to some one.

en are!" groaned Mr. Talbot in a voice which, though intended to be persuasive and conciliatory, sounded to me more like the voice of a man to whom it would have been an intense relief to tear his own and perhaps his companion's hair.

which now consisted of five, including myself, when one of the conspirators, whom I recognized as Number Two, held up his hand, as a sign that he wished to address the meeting.

To Avoid The Vote. In the history of our comic literature there have been many genuine "Irish bulls" recorded, but rarely one that is of a nearer brand than that encountered a few nights ago at a political gathering on Locust street.

THREE YEARS AFTER. Eugene E. Lario, of 751 Twentieth Avenue, ticket seller in the Union Station, Denver, Col., says: "You are at liberty to repeat what I first stated through our Denver papers about Doan's Kidney Pills in the summer of 1899, for I have had no reason in the interim to change my opinion of the remedy. I was subject to severe attacks of backache, always aggravated if I sat long at a desk. Doan's Kidney Pills absolutely stopped my backache. I have never had a pain or twinge since."



HE FLUNG THE COAT FROM HIM.

CHAPTER IX. A DIABOLICAL PLOT.

The day after the explosion was the day appointed for the council meeting, and as I intended to be present, I

A CHILD HEROINE.

Was Suffering from Terrible and Fatal Burns, But Even Then Thought Only of Others.

The heroic self-forgetfulness of the young girl whose tragic story is told by the New York Evening Telegram equals in bravery any tale of heroism that history can furnish.

Thief Cleverness.

A magistrate's clerk has been known to have his tin pin stolen while in court, and one in Birmingham a few years ago lost his coat in the same way; but a more remarkable example, perhaps, of a thief's cleverness under the very eyes of the police was that of the burglar at Clerkenwell, who managed to conceal two diamond rings while the police were searching him, and passed one of them to his wife in the cell while the police were looking on.

The Feminine View.

"I can't imagine anything more dreadful," said he, "than for a woman, after mending her husband's coat, to find in one of the pockets an old love letter from a former sweetheart."

A Little Ruse.

Mrs. Witherly—I bought this rug for the baby to play on. Witherly—Well, don't let her know it.—Detroit Free Press.

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