

CHAPTER XXVI. -18-

Congratulations. The Duc de Tremont saw what

splendid stuff the captain in the --Cavalry was made of by the young could not understand why Robert lin- cheeks. gered after the departure of the Marquise d'Esclignac, the Comtesse de la Maine and Miss Redmond. The presence of the young man would have been agreeable if it had not been for his jealousy and his unhappiness.

They played piquet together. Sabron, in his right mind, thinner and paler, nevertheless very much of a Then his eyes traveled to her comman, now smoked his cigarettes and panion. Miss Redmond wore a very ate his three meals a day. He took a simple dress, as was her fashion, but walk every day and was quite fit to the young officer from Africa, who had leave the Orient. Tremont said:

"I think, Sabron, that we can sail this week."

Sabron looked at him questioningly. 'You are going, then, too-?"

"Of course," said the young nobleman heartily. "We are going together. You know I am going to take you back in my yacht."

Sabron hesitated and then said: "No, mon vieux, if you will excuse

me I think I shall remain faithful to the old line of travel. I have an idea that I am not in yachting trim." Tremont was not too dull to have

noticed his friend's change of attitude toward him. He smoked for a few moments and then said:

'When we get back to Paris I want to have the pleasure of introducing you to my fiancee."

Sabron dropped his cards. "Introducing me!" he repeated. Then putting out his hand, said cordially: "I knew you were to be felicitated, old fellow."

Tremont shook his hand warmly. "Yes, and the lady is very anxious to know you. It is Madame de la Maine."

A very warm color flushed the cheeks of the invalid. He rememknown. He congratulated his friend moments said:

"If you really want me to go back with you on the yacht, old chap-"

"I really do," said Tremont se-"See," said Sabron, renely. "You see, when we came on | is." the boat we scarcely hoped to be so fortunate as to bring back the distin- He must have a knowledge of what ately at his friend who had brought Sabron smiled. "But you have not told me yet," he give him a decoration." And the two walked tranquilly side by side.

light. Pitchoune, moved from his usual indifference, gave a short bark, walked up to the ladies, and began the name of rats and cats my master to snuff about their feet. The younger lady exclaimed, and then Sabron, lifting his hat, came forward, the crimson man's quick convalescence. Sabron color beating in his dark tanned

> The Marquise d'Esclignac held out both hands to the officer:

"It's nearly noon," she said, "and you don't forget that you have promised to lunch with us, do you, Monsieur le Capitaine?"

Sabron, bending over her hand, assured her that he had not forgotten. not seen her near by until now and who had only caught a glimpse of her across the opera house, thought that he had never seen such a beautiful dress in all his life. It was made of the eldest of ten children-" soft gray cloth and fitted her closely,

and in the lapel of her mannish little buttonhole she wore a few Parma violets. He recognized them. They had come from a bunch that he had sent her the night before. He kissed her hand, and they stood talking together. the three of them, for a few moments,

Pitchoune stationing himself as a sentinel by Miss Redmond's side. The Marquise d'Esclignac rose. The young girl rose as well, and they

walked on together. "Mes enfants," said the Marquise

d'Esclignac, "don't go with your usual rush, Julia. Remember that Monsieur de Sabron is not as strong as Hercules yet. I will follow you with himself at table, looked at everything Crawford But she spoke without knowledge of the dog. Now feeling that some unupon the horizon that he knew. Pit-

rollicking spirit such as had been his affectionately, but Sabron was only Forest characteristic some years ago. He tore like mad down the path in front meet his at all. bered all he had heard and all he had of Sabron and Miss Redmond. He whirled around like a dervish, he with sincere warmth, and after a few dashed across the road in front of the army was doing, would not dop or automobiles, dashed back again, might do, and the fact that the Duc Jefferson 1,950.00

ing at the girl's feet.

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eyes, came off the boat to the shore. said to myself: 'Brunet, he has the air of one who comes back from a victory.' No one would have ever believed that Monsieur le Capitaine had been rescued from captivity."

Brunet's curiosity was very strong and as far as his master was concerned he had been obliged to crush it down. To himself he was saying: "Monsieur le Capitaine is on the eve of some great event. When will he announce it to me? I am sure my master is going to be married."

Pitchoune, from a chair near by, assisted at his master's tollet, one moment holding the razor-strop between his teeth, then taking the clothes brush in his little grip. He was saying to himself: "I hope in

is not going out without me!" Brunet was engaged to be married to the kitchen maid of the Marquise

d'Esclignac. Ordonnances and scullions are not able to arrange their matrimonial affairs so easily as are the upper classes.

"Monsieur le Capitaine," said the servant, his simple face raised to his master's, "I am going to be married.' Sabron wheeled around: "Mon

brave Brunet, when?"

Brunet grinned sheepishly.

"In five years, Monsieur le Capitaine," at which the superior officer laughed heartily. "Is she an infant, are you educat-

ing her?" "When one is the eldest of a wid

ow," said Brunet with a sigh, "and The clock struck the quarter. Sab-

ron knew the story of the widow and ten children by heart. "Is the taxi at the door?"

"Yes, Monsieur le Capitaine." Pitchoune gave a sharp bark. "You are not invited," said his master cruelly, and went gayly out, his sword hitting against the stairs. The Marquise d'Esclignac gave a brilliant little dinner to the colonel of Sabron's squadron. There were Chester present a general or two, several men of distinction, and among the guests Clearfield were the Duc de Tremont and Madame Clinton de la Maine. Sabron, when he found as though in a dream. Julia Redmond sat opposite him. He had sent her Dauphin

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flowers and she wore them in her Delaware 4,680.00 wonted happiness had suddenly burst bodice. Madame de la Maine bent Elk upon the young officer benignant eyes, Erie choune seemed suddenly seized with a the Duc de Tremont glanced at him Fayette 4.680.00 conscious that Julia's eyes did not Franklin 1.950.00

They talked of Sabron's captivity, Greene of the engagement in Africa, of what Huntingdon springing upon his master and whin- de Tremont was to receive the deco- Juniata ration of the Legion or Honor in Lackawanna

PEACE OFFER IS FUNDS GIVEN OUT **REJECTED BY CZAR** Auditor General Powell Apportions \$234,000 By Counties-Draw

Warrants Soon.

MOTHERS' PENSIONS

Harrisburg. - Apportionment of \$234,000 has been made for the sixtyseven counties of the State by Auditor General A. W.' Powell, for the mothers' pensions, and drawing of warrants will be started in a short time. The Legislature appropriated \$100,000, to which is added \$144,-

746.34, left from the appropriation of 1913. The sum of \$10,746.34 has been reserved for the salary of the State Supervisor of Pensions, and the clerk,

who yet have not been appointed by the Governor, and for their expenses, including adjustment of accounts of local boards. The Act of 1915 provided that apportionment should be made on a basis of population, and Philadelphia and Alle-

gheny each, will receive \$35,100. Luzerne, Lackawanna, Westmoreland and Schuylkill are in the next class and will receive \$8,775, while counties having between 100,000 and 200,000 will get \$4,680; from 50,000 to 100,000 population, \$1,950; 25,000 to 50,000, \$1,023.75, and those having less than

25,000 population, \$585. The apportionment by counties is announced as follows:

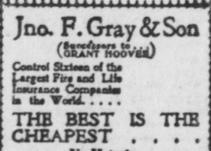
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was frustrated. Thanks to the timely decision of the Russian chief in command, Warsaw was evacuated promptly and with thoroughness. The Ger 4.680.00 mans will find that the Polish capital is an embarrassing luxury. 1,023.75 It is quite natural that, under such 4,680.00 circumstances, the Kaiser should dangle temptations before the eyes of 585.00 Russia. No doubt the terms he offered seemed to himself generous and 585.00 Fulton magnanimous. However, the emphatic 1.022.75 rejection of his offer is a clinching 1.022.75 proof of the steadfastness and constancy of Russia. Further confirmation of the iron de-585.00 termination of this empire to fight to 8,775.00

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CZAR SAYS NOTHING DOING Germany is Now Straining Every

Russian Capital.

Nerve To Eliminate Russia From the Number Of Her Antagonists.

Petrograd. - The Bourse Gazette learns that last week Emperor William, through the King of Denmark, offered the Russians terms of peace. The reply of the Czar to the Danish monarch's letter was the categorical declaration that at the present time there could be no question of peace negotiations. Having failed to carry out her original program of crushing France in the first few months of the war, Ger-

many, according to talk here, has now altered her general plan and is straining every nerve to eliminate Russia from the number of her antagonists in order to be able to concentrate all

her energies against the Allies in the west, when they at last are in a position to cause her serious inconvenience

Germany had hoped by the momentum of her assault on both flanks of the Polish salient to cut off and utterly destroy the Russian armies occupying it and thus reduce Russia to impotence

No doubt her calculations were largely based on the idea that the Russians would cling desperately to the Warsaw and Vistula fortresses and thus allow themselves to be caught in a trap.

said, "why you came down."

"No," said Tremont, "that is true. Well, it will make a story for the sea."

CHAPTER XXVII.

Valor in Retrospect.

In the month of May, when the of Miss Redmond. chestnuts bloom in the green dells, where the delicate young foliage holds the light as in golden cups, a young man walked through one of the small allees of the Bois at the fashionable noon hour, a little reddish dog trotting at his heels. The young man walked with an imperceptible limp. He was thin, as men are who have lived hard and who have overcome tremendous obstacles. He was tanned as men are browned who have come from eastern and extreme southern countries.

The little dog had also an imperceptible limp occasioned by a bicycle running over him when he was a puppy.

The two companions seemed immensely to enjoy the spring day. Sabron every now and then stood for a fact that he had been snatched from few moments looking at the gay passers-by, pedestrians and equestrians, enjoying to the full the repose of civilization, the beauty of his own land.

Pitchoune looked with indifference upon the many dogs. He did not stir from his master's side. When Sabron was quiet, the little animal stood at attention; he was a soldier's dog. He could have told dog stories to those insignificant worldly dogs -- could have told of really thrilling adventures. His brown eyes were pathetic with their appeal of affection as they looked up at his beloved master. He had a fund of experience such as the poodles and the terriers led by their owners could not understand. Therefore Pitchoune was indifferent to them. Not one of those petted, ridiculous house dogs could have run for miles in the dark across an African desert, could have found Beni Medinet and was proud of it. He was very well satisfied with his career. He was haps lay before him-who can tell? a child. But I was determined that

much admired, and he was a proud tion." animal.

of the grand avenues, Pitchoune slowly | was very fine, indeed."

Pitchoune ran to the side of the

all shot through with light. He came ron back, bringing the remains of an old rubber ball lost there by some other dog, and laid it triumphantly in front

"See," said Sabron, "he brings you

his trophies." CHAPTER XXVIII.

Happiness.

Le Comte de Sabron, finished his

dressing. Brunet surveyed his master from the tip of his shining boots to his sleek, fair head. His expressive eyes said: "Monsieur le Capitaine is looking well tonight."

Brunet had never before given his master a direct compliment. His eyes only had the habit of expressing admiration, and the manner in which he performed his duties, his devotion, were his forms of compliment. But Sabron's long illness and absence, the death and given back to the army again, leveled between servant and master the impassable wall of etiquette.

"There will be a grand dinner to- ful strife, shall find our part of the night, will there not, Monsieur le burden to bear. Some time the war Capitaine? Doubtless Monsieur le will be over, and then waste must Colonel and all the gentlemen will be stop; it must stop if we are to adthere." Brunet made a comprehen- vance in humanity and civilization sive gesture as though he comprised over and beyond the yawning gap the entire etat major.

Sabron, indeed, looked well. He race, and the vanity of kings. The was thin, deeply bronzed by the ex- war has been in progress but a little posure on the yacht, for he and Tre- while and already the cost of it is bemont before returning to France had ing borrowed from future generations: made a long cruise. Sabron wore the extra hard labor and sweat must look of a man who has come back come from infants now at their from a far country and is content.

of my days how Monsieur le Capitaine | the very measure that we waste is the looked when I met the yacht at Mar. sentence at hard labor upon the risseilles!"

fetched relief to his master. Pitchoune he were chronicling sacred souvenirs. debt is upon us, in unequal measure "I said to myself, you are about to it is true, but the debt, the obligation welcome back a hero, Brunet! Mon. to make up the losses, is upon us all still young; other deeds of valor per. sieur le Capitaine will be as weak as

At any rate he had been shown about Monsieur le Capitaine should not read at the ministry of war, been very my feelings, however great my emo-

When Sabron spoke to him he leaped simple life did Brunet ever conceal ing to a certain church practically upon him and wagged his tail. After the most trifling emotion-his simple every day for prayer and meditation a few moments, as the two stood near face revealed all his simple thoughts. before beginning his responsible duthe exit of an allee leading to one Sabron said heartily: "Your control ties," says the Church Family News-

toward two ladies sitting on a bench sieur le Capitaine, a spiendid-looking whenever he is in London."--London in the gentle warmth of the May sun- figure, with red cheeks and bright Globe.

Tremont toasted Sabron and the young officer rose to respond with "I should think he would be happy. flushing face. He looked affectionan important animal he is. Just him from death into life. The mothink! If he were a man they would ment was intense, and the Marquise d'Esclignac lifted her glass:

July.

"Now, gentlemen, you must drink to the health of Pitchoune."

There was a murmur of laughter, road, disappeared into a little forest Madame de la Maine turned to Sab-

"I have had a collar made for Pitchoune; it is of African leather set with real turquoise.

Sabron bowed: "Pitchoune will be perfectly enchanted, Madame; he will Pike wear it at your wedding."

(TO BE CONTINUED.)

GREAT NEED TO STOP WASTE

Lesson That Should Be Impressed on America by the Frightful War in Europe.

Waste is the crime of today, and it is especially the great crime of this awful war: waste in human life, in hope, in love, and in the common savings of us all. Millions of dollars' worth of the savings of the people of

this earth, all of them our brothers and our sisters, are daily burned up, exploded, and wasted in the madness of the nations; and even that is a trifle when we compare it to the great human value of the lives that are lost. It will not make any people rich; and we Americans, rarely fortunate in not being involved in the awrates for game purposes. made by the lust of blood, pride of mothers' breasts, to make good this

"And never shall I forget to the end debauch of blood and fire. And in ing generation prolonged. We cannot Brunet spoke reverently, as though get out of it by being American: the -Atlantic.

Responsibility and Prayer.

"We learn on unimpeachable authority that Lord Fisher, first sea lord Sabron smiled. At no time in his at the admiralty, makes a habit of gopaper; "we understand also that Lord fund of a department of the State went in front of his master and "Instead of seeing a sick man, Mon- Kitchener follows out a similar rule Government, is to be protected by a

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Lay Out Six State Game Preserves Six new State game preserves are

being laid out by attaches of the State Game Commission, through funds supplied by the hunters' license law. Four of the preserves are on State forestry reservations, and two are on leased land. All are in the central or eastern part of the State, but negotiations are under way for establishment of half a dozen more game preserves in western counties where lands have been offered for lease by the State at low men.

The new preserves are on State lands in Huntingdon, Lycoming, Sullivan and Cameron counties, and on leased lands in Bradford and Carbon counties. All are surrounded by wires and notices will be posted. warning everyone that they are closed at all SPRSODS. Steps will be taken before many

weeks to stock these preserves with deer and other game. It is planned to buy hundreds of deer and to turn them loose in the preserves.

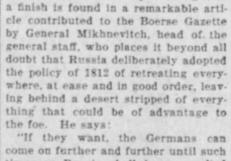
Young Studies Plan Of Deposit Bonds. These are the busiest kind of days

for the State officials in charge of the making of the bonds to cover State deposits and State Treasurer R. K.

Young, is making searches of records so that he will have information on which to base estimates. By the new system under way, every deposit of State money, whether the account of a hospital or the contingent

bond.

strengthened by the presence at night of a mysterious vessel near San Juan Denieves. A German submarine was seen weeks ago near Conchadeardo. It was provisioned at night with 50 tons of benzine by the steamer Marcela, from Bilboa.



585.00 her needs. They will have to fight for every step of gain, but the Czar's armies will not allow themselves to be pinned down to a decisive battle until

> "Meanwhile the Germans will leave the railways further and further behind them and will be compelled to carry every ounce of food they need across a devastated tract where the roads, at the best times, are few and worse than anywhere else in Europe. "The only question about which there can be any doubt is whether the Russians have the hardness of temper to make the necessary sacrifices.

"All doubts on this score are now set at rest. Time is on Russia's side.'

ITALIAN SUBMARINE SUNK.

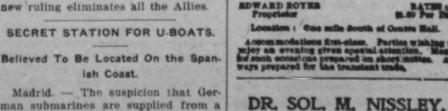
Austrian Undersea Boat Reported To Have Destroyed Nereide.

Paris. - The Italian submarine Nereide is reported to have been sunk in an encounter with an Austrian submarine off the Island of Pelagosa, in the Adriatic Sea, according to a special dispatch from Rome. The Ne reide, which was built in 1913, was 134 feet long, with a beam of 14 feet and displacement of 315 tons gross. Her peace time complement was 17

NO MORE COAL FOR ALLIES.

Britain Restricts Exports To Her Own Possessions.

London .- After August 30 British coal cannot be shipped anywhere except to British possessions and to protectorates, according to an order in council issued. The export of coal heretofore has been restricted to the British possessions and to countries which are allies of Great Britain. The new ruling eliminates all the Allies.



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