

PETEY-It May Be That He Preferred His Worms Without Hooks

SOB STUFF
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A Delicate Shade of Blue
Wherein Robert Purdon Finds His Shaving, Brualy (In previous chapters it it in related how Robert, woke up, almost
took a cold bath, doceded to shave , iscovered the loss of his shaving
brush and trod on the kitten's tais The ehir took a cold bath, decided to shave, tiscovered the loss of his shaving
brush and trod on the kitten's tail. The hair-raising narrative con-
tinues:) Now it may have been Robert's instinctive distaste to giving pain
to anything or anybody; it may have been the knowledge that the Jinx
is is Mrs. Purdon's most precious possession or it may have been simply
nervousness born of lowered vitality; but, whatever it was. Robert,
after newouness born of lowerec vitality; but, whateerer it was, Robert,
after causing the kitten to yow and spit. jumped backward, misesed
his footing, nod sat down very suddenly on the rug, throwing out his
hands as he did so.


 unerring skill, and some slight moving about of furniture 1 suc-
ceded, ase you know, in finding one of the buttons under the dresser
and the other under the bed. Well, this case is entirely different
and you have new under the bed. We.t.l, this case is entirely different. As sumpect, my rushing out to notify my wife that
the shaving bush was missing was merely a feint. Knowing that
there is a kitten in the house, what is more natural there is a kitten in the house, what is more natural than that the kit-
ten should knock ar brush from the washstand
therefore, the only thing to do for the the to find the kitten. Deduction therefore, the only thing to do was to find the kitten. Deduction, my
dearo Watson, deduction 1 found the kitten
dind hare is the brush!
"Marvelous!" the kitten seemed to say. "Meeiou-velous!" and ran downstairs to tell its mother.
Robert carefully ringed out the brush, moistened his beard, rubbed
in the soap and agan used the brush. it has been the dream of my
life, he muttered peessimistically it life," he muttered pessimistically, "to get a lather like the fellow in
the edvertising pages. But $I$ don't seem to be able to manage it"
 What though he swears a thousand imps of blackest opit, bave rasped.
the mintion micoscopic teeth that chew his beard, tis most excusabie.
So let him shave!





Now, my lad, Itrs one thing or
The other-the benches or the


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