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We Mention a Few of Our Prices for This Week:

BARGAINS.	Regular Price. Alteration Price.	BARGAINS.	Regular Price. Alteration Price.	BARGAINS.	Regular Price. Alteration Price.
Linen finish 17-inch Toweling	was6 cents, now 3 3-4c	China Silk, all colors	was 35 cents now 20c.	Children's Black Hose, seam- less, 5 to 8½	was 15 and 18c now10c.
Apron Ginghams, best quality	was6 cents, now 3 3-4c	Surah Silk, all colors	was69 cents, now43c.	Ladies' Black Hose, imported, regular made	was25 cents, now15c.
Indigo Blue Calico, best quality	was6 cents, now 3 3-4c	Fancy Silk for Shirt Waists	was\$1.25, now 79c.	Ladies' Kid Gloves, Foster	was\$1.00, now69c.
Shirting Prints, best quality	was6 cents, now 3 3-4c	White Bed Spreads, extra	was\$1.00, now 62c.	Ladies' Handkerchiefs, all	was5 cents, now 2 1-2c
Unbleached Sheetings, 1 yard wide	was6 cents, now 3 3-4c	Table Linen, unbleached and turkey red	was 29 cents, now 19c.	Ladies' Handkerchiefs, em- broidered	was 25 cents, now 12 1-2c
Bleached Muslin, 1 yard wide	was9 cents, now 6c	Table Linen, bleached, un- bleached and turkey red	was 50 cents, now 34c.	Ribbons	was 5 cents per yard, now 2 1-2 cts. was 10 cents per yard, now 5 cents. was 20 cents per yard, now 11 cents.
Dress Goods, all kinds	was15 cents, now9c	Blankets	was98 cents, now59c. was \$ 4.00, now2.25	Corsets	was 50 cents, now 38c. was 75 cents, now 48c. was \$1.00, now 72c.
All colors Cashmeres, 36-inch wide	was25 cents, now17c	Ladies' and Misses' Jackets	was \$10.00, now \$5.00 was 15.00, now 7.50 was 20.00, now 10.00	Ladies' Muslin Underwear	was 50 and 65c., now38c.
All colors Cashmeres, 36-inch wide	was39 cents, now26c	Ladies' Fur Capes	was \$10.00, now 5.00 was 18.00, now 9.00	Ladies' Muslin Underwear	was 89c and \$1, now65c.
All wool Cashmeres, 38-inch wide	was50 cents, now 35c	Ladies' Wrappers, calico and	was\$1.00, now69c.	Ladies' Shawls	was \$2.50, now \$1.25 was 4.00, now 2.00 was 6.00, now 3.00
All wool, 36-inch wide, Dress Flannels	was39 cents, now26c	Ladies Hats, trimmed and untrimmed	was\$1.00, now39c.	Ladies' Skirts	was 50 cents, now 35c.
All wool, 40-inch wide, Dress Flannels	was50 cents, now 35c	Boys' Suits	was \$3 and \$4, now 1.50 was 5 and 6.50, now 2.50	Gent's Shirts and Drawers	was50 cents, now25c.

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Two Highwaymen home. And yet-I braver sweetheart?

By DAVID WECHSLER.

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CHAPTER II.

We rode on and on through the darkhess. At first my excitement-was so great as to render thought impossible: moreover the riding was of the roughest, and I had all I could do to keep my seat. But gradually as I began to krow more accustomed to my situation, I was overtaken with a most dreadful misgiving. The rider had hitherto seemed like enough to Dick, for I had known he would do his best to change his voice; and as for his foolish robbery, at was just a piece with his natural love



Imagine My Distress.

of mischief. But now I began to feel certain that some imposter had taken his part; that I had eloped with another man-and him a common highwayman. Imagine my distress! I could conceive of no method of extricating myself from the position; a sense of blank helplessness came over me, and I could do no more than cling tightly to the highwayman and await the event

We had ridden some miles, when he suddenly drew rein and dismounted, landing me lightly beside him.

"Upon my soul!" he said, "here is a pretty adventure! Heaven knows that I had always a passion for the unusual, or I should still be a humble usher in Brymcaster academy. But, hell me, what am I to do with you?"

I suppose I had hoped against hope; to find my tears were justified was a disastrous blow to me, nor could I make

"I would not wish a braver sweetheart," he continued, speaking with an odd and attractive perplexity. "But what have we gentlemen of the road to do with wives? Why, sweetheart, you heard the promises of your guardian. He will surely do his utmost to fulfill them, and how should I dare go to the gallows if I knew that I left you wid-owed and alone? I trust a score of maids would weep a little if poor Jack Arthur went the common way; but God hot haste."

Arthur went the common way; but God forbid that any should remember him

I listened eagerly, and heard far off the good uncle called me 'thief'—and at a week's end. It may seem that I the sound of a horse galloping furious- compel him to disgorge. In truth, the

old and very wise, and take my counsel, which is: that you permit me to conduct you back to some place near your home. And yet-I would not wish a

ish weeping.

"Sir," I said, "I am altogether at your mercy. I have done that which will shame me all the rest of my days. But, indeed, I thought you were another, my sweetheart, whom I should have married tomorrow."

I fancied he spoke less gaily than before: perhaps he had not hoped alto-gether that I would take his sage advice. "Ho, ho!" he cried, "then my good fortune is but another theft to my account? I do not understand. You were were to have married your lover tomorrow, and yet you entreat a stranger, and a highwayman at that, to carry you off! This is the maddest of adven-

"Sir!" I said, "my uncle stands to me in the place of father and mother." The highwayman chuckled. "Poor child," he said, and softly stroked my man of the road, he will ride armed." hand, which, it seems, he had been holding for some minutes. "Poor

"He would have me marry one whom ently the rider was quite near. I do not love, and I begun to fear that

and compel-"The old hunks!" cried the highwayman. "You shall marry whom you choose. Nay, I withdraw my foolish He jumped from his horse in an inwisdom; come with me, and before the night is here again you shall be Mis-

with a pretty conceit—"believe me, there are many who will envy you." what I have told you. Of late I have will consult the lady-" been closely guarded, for my uncle had a yeoman of the place, and it was ar-

me away with him." The highwayman laughed loudly. "And that is why you did not faint or was so flattered at your suggestion of

ond time, and find the bird flown? I warrant he will play the part exactly. I should hardly be surprised to hear he had let himself be captured." I could not endure his jesting. "Sir,

I said, "I am in your hands, and it is small wonder you find my plight only laughable. I have made myself a show for all the country to laugh at. Never a se'nnight about this that I have done tonight. Yet I could believe you kinder than most. I entreat that you will help me."

He was sober in a moment. "Upon my soul!" he said, "the case is one to gether free to do as I would. To be out of these regions with all the celerity I can command. And my life-But listen!"

his ear to the ground. Then he arose, with a curious, excited laugh. "The adventure grows in interest," he said. wayman easily. "You come upon him "Here comes the honest yeoman, and in his distress, hear the tale, and

am ungaliant, yet I protest that I do not like my share in this adventure. Kiss me, sweet, and then fancy that I am moorland. I saw a sudden movement though perhaps you do not guess it. on the part of my companion, and perceived that he was fingering his pistols as he stood silent in the darkness,

"Not that!" I cried, entreatingly. "There will be need of an'explana-And then, moved by the kindness of | tion of some kind," he said; "perhaps his words, and his pleasant voice, I lost | you will undertake it. I confess I command of myself and burst into fool- have not a sufficient gift of words, and am a little inclined to doubt whether



"Dick," I Cried, "All's Well,"

your sweetheart will be in the mood for explanations. Doubtless, as a gentle-The sound of hoofs grew nearer. He was silent now, and listened most attively to the approaching sound. Pres-

"Dick!" I called. "Dick! all's well, presently he would overcome me, and and I am in the company of a friend of yours and mine." A moment later he was upon us, and

sure enough he held a pistol in his hand. stant and caught me to him; but it was the highwayman who spoke first. "Sir," he said, "I see by the pistol you

carry that you take a very proper view of the situation. And yet I believe that "But, sir," I interrupted, "you forget everything may be explained. If you "Dick." I said, "this gentleman is a

discovered that I have given my love to friend. He took me with him, very much against his will, because I asked ranged that he should stop the coach | that he would take me; and I did that on our return from the ball and carry because I thought he was you. You

I paused. The highwayman laughed. "I follow, day by day, the trade which scream?" he said. "I fell in love with it pleased you to adopt for a single you because of that, and that is why I night. I anticipated you by a few minutes. We are both of us tall men, and an elopement. But, what will the real the lady took the difference of voice lover do? Will he stop the coach a section manner as a clever disguise. I was and manner as a clever disguise. I was engaged about my ordinary business when she appeared to suggest that I should elope with her. I will confess my good luck amazed me at first, but I was quick to embrace it; nor did I discover how far astray my concell had led me until the very moment of your approach. We were endeavoring to devise a method of restoring the lady a peddlar but will be singing ballads in to her friends when you appeared to

solve our difficulty." "You forget," said Dick, doggedly, "you forget the little matter of the money and jewels you have stolen."

The highwayman started. vey,' the wise call it," he replied, with puzzle a very Solomon. I would do some turtness. But the only course is. much to help you, but I am not alto- that I should surrender everything to you; and then it should be clear to you frank, my life hangs upon my escaping | that I am no less than a messenger of Providence to you and the lady-a god from the machine."

Dick was silent, his arm about my waist, his figure held ready for action. "The good uncle has been robbed of goods and niece," went on the highstraightway go in pursuit of the thief-

you have shown some bravery tonight.

thing was beautifully clear. "Indeed," I cried, "he shall do no less. Dick, we will go back; and I promise you shall marry me when you will, and with his consent. Do you not see it?"
"He ought to do so," said Dick, grudgingly. "I suppose we must thank you,

"Oh!" said the highwayman, lightly there is no need of thanks. Here are the jewels and the purse. But first"he opened the purse and extracted some scraps of paper-"I promised to liber ate certain poor debtors, and that promise I must keep."

He tore the paper into fragments and leaped upon his horse.
"Farewell!" he cried, and vanished into the night. Nor did I hear of him again until he was hanged two years afterwards for a daring robbery. At least there was one who wept at the news of his death-and she a happy

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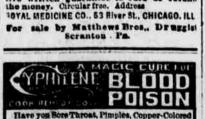
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