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What I want to tell you tonight is about the very singular affair which first started me upon my rapid upward course, and which had the effect of establishing a secret bond between me and myself. There is just a little word of warning which I must give you before I begin. When you hear me speak you must always bear in mind that you are listening to one who has seen history from the inside. I am talking about what my ears have heard and my eyes have seen, so you must not try to confuse me by quoting the opinion of some student or man of the pen who has written a book of history or memoirs. There is much which is unknown by such people, and much which never will be known by the world. For my own part, I could tell you some very surprising things were it discreet to do so. The facts which I am about to relate to you tonight were kept secret by me during the emperor's lifetime because I gave him my promise that they should be, but I do not think that there can be any harm now in my telling the remarkable part which I played.

over the Channel was still growling, but he could not get very far from his kennel. If we could have made a perpetual peace at that moment France would have taken a higher place than any nation since the days of the Romans. So I have heard the wise folks say, though, for my own part, I had other things to think of. All the girls were glad to see the army back after its long absence, and you may be sure that I had my share of any favors which were going. You may judge how played the devil, whether we liked it or no, just that we might resemble our colonel! We forgot that it was not because he drank or gambled that the Emperor was going to make him the head of the light cavalry, but because he had the surest eye for the nature of a position or for the strength of a column, and the best judgment as to when infantry could be broken, or whether guns were exposed, of any man in the army. We were too young to understand all that, however, so we waxed our mustaches and clinked our spurs and let the ferules of our scarves wear out by trailing them along the pavement in the hope that they should all become Lasalles. When he came clanking into my quarters, both Regnier and I sprang to our feet. "My boy," said he, clapping me on the shoulder, "the emperor wants to see you at 4 o'clock."

It was but 2 o'clock, so he left me, promising to come back and to accompany me to the palace. My faith, what a time I passed, and how many conjectures did I make as to what it was which the emperor could want of me! I paced up and down my little room, in a fever of anticipation. Sometimes I thought that perhaps he had heard of the guns which we had taken at Austerlitz, but then there were so many who had taken guns at Austerlitz, and it might be that he wished to reward me for my affair with the aid-de-camp of the Russian emperor. But then, again, a cold fit would seize me, and I would fancy that he had sent for me to reprimand me. There were a few duels which he might have taken in his part, and there were one or two little jokes in Paris since the peace. But no! I considered the words of Lasalle. "If he had need of a brave man," said Lasalle. It was obvious that my colonel had some idea of what was in the wind. If he had not known that it was to my advantage he would not have been so cruel as to congratulate me. My heart glowed with joy as this conviction grew upon me, and I sat down to write to my mother and to tell her that the emperor was waiting at that very moment to have my opinion upon a matter of importance. It made me smile as I wrote it to think that, wonderful as it appeared to me, it would probably only confirm my mother in her opinion of the emperor's good sense.

At 2.30 I heard a sabre come clanking against every step of my wooden stair. It was Lasalle, and with him was a little gentleman very neatly dressed in black, with dapper ruffles and cuffs. We did not know many civilians, we of the army, but my word, this was one whom we could not afford to ignore! I had only to glance at those twinkling eyes, the comical upturned nose, and the straight precise mouth, to know that I was in the presence of the man in France whom even the emperor had to consider.

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