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Recently Rush had been much annoyed by the rats eating grain in the bins and cup."

"I want to thank you, captain," I said,
"I want to thank you, captain," I said, purchased a big bass drum and four snare the harbor." or tenor instruments, and with four of his hands began to drum vigorously, marching around the barns and stables. Within a few minutes rats were to be seen scurrying in all directions. Three nights of the drum music was sufficient to drive the pests away from the farm buildings, and then Rush had his most brilliant thought. On the southern side the Baker farm is bounded by dam No. 3 of the Citizens' Water Company, which supplies Washington with its water for domestic purposes. Rush decided that he would drive the rats into the dam and drown them. Going at night to the highest point on the farm, his drummers began their "rub-a-dub-dub." rigzagging back and forth to cover as much territory as possible. Soon small creatures could be heard going through the grass. Down the hill the drummers beat their way, and when they got within hearing distance of the water company's dam they could tell that the rats were plunging in to their death. How many were thus exterminated Farmer Rush says he can only estimate, but he says the number would run well up into the hundreds. Robert Browning celebrated the Pied Piper of Hamelin in verse, but Rush says he does not expect to go down into history as the hero of a poem.

TRUCK 23 A ONE-HOSS SHAY. Fireman Takes to Sidewalk-Loses

Two of Three Horses. NEW YORK, September 2.-Truck 23 went to a fire last night in a new way. A fire alarm was turned in for a one-story structure at St. Nicholas avenue and 163d street, which is used as a storage warehouse for the vans of Fred Schuler. The building is of wood and made a fine blaze. Truck 23, which is located on 140th street near Amsterdam avenue, answered the alarm. William Madden, the driver, turned into the west side of the avenue, as the east side is torn up by the laying of sewer pipes. At 145th street Madden found himpipes. At 145th street Madden found him-self blocked on both sides of the street by stalled cars. The only way to clear them was by driving on the sidewalk, and he took the chance after warning the men on the truck to hold fast.

Just as he neared the corner of 148th

street two children came out of a candy store there. Madden was on the sidewalk at the time and almost on top of the chil dren. With a powerful pull Madden threw the three big fire horses into a lamppost just as Policeman Noonan grabbed the children from under their hoofs.

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lious spirit.

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peated urging, the cabin was deserted by

Though I was on deck again at an early hour I found Capt. Quinby there before me. The sun had risen and the mist seemed

"It will burn off in a little while," he an-

As if to prove his words, the sun broke

through the mist shortly, a globe of burning

At our late breakfast Mrs. Randolph an-

ounced a change in our plans.
"We're going to Camden," she said, "in-

"Maine is United States territory, I be

lieve," I answered, recalling her words of

"Very true. But Camden is a long distance from York Harbor. Mr. Lane will

return to New York and drop his foolish attack, I am sure of that, since I have had

time to think it over. For that reason Mr. Jepson will not come to Camden. We can

be quite safe and quiet there for as long

as we wish to stay. I've thought it all

over, and I'm sure it is best for us to go

there. It won't seem so much as if we had

run away, for one thing."
She gave me a look of inquiry as she con-

cluded. She wore the blue linen again, which I had thought so becoming. Her

color was better than the evening before,

or perhaps that was the effect of the blue

linen and daylight. A man judges such things poorly. She was always beautiful,

"He will never drop it," I declared, thinking of Lane, "for he knows that unless he crushes me I shall crush him."
"But you are to drop your attack on him also, and call off your New York detective,"

she surprised me by saying.
"You would pay him something to drop
it?" I asked, ready to oppose this new

She frowned. Strange that a few lines

drawn in a smooth brow and the gathering

of threatening threads of disapproval at

the corners of a pair of blue eyes should have such power to crush a man's rebel-

"I see objections to your plan," I urged

"Of course we can't tell just what we

shall do until after we reach Camden and get in communication with New York," she

compromised, for my benefit I was sure. "But this fleeing like a wolf in the night

isn't to my fancy."
"Fleeing like a dogfish, you mean," said

Julian Randolph, stumbling down to his boat in the darkness, had tumbled into the

water and was drowned. I didn't like the thought of it. Of all places Camden was

the last I should have chosen to visit at this time. But Mrs. Randolph had her

hand on the wheel of affairs, and was showing a spirit of imperious determina-tion I had not known she possessed. But withal my passionate love was in no wise

abated; I think I loved her better because of that quality of strength.

We crowded to the rail as we steamed into the little harbor of Camden-by-the

Sea. The fog was gone, the sun shone bright on the water, whitecaps tossed about

us. The little town crescenting the harbor; Negro Island and its lighthouse at the en-

trance, with the mountains, Megunticook and Battie, dominating all, made a pretty

I saw Miss Hansborough point out to

Benson the Poplars. It shone white on the slopes of Mount Battle, to the right of

In that house, I had been told, Julian Randolph had lived with the woman who

now stood beside me. From it he had gone that dark night to his death in the sea.

Far off on the right, but not visible, was the Lincolnville beach, where his body had

been found. I confess it gave me a queer

feeling, and one not pleasant. It empha-

sized my hypocrisy—gave to my duplicity a deeper shade. Nor could I get ease of conscience by reflecting that Mrs. Randolph knew. For she had persistently re-

fused to accept my declaration that I was

As I looked at that house the startling thought of what it would mean if the real

Julian Randolph should reappear there sud-denly came to terrify me. Strangely

me as the man himself, returned to her.

And he might return suddenly, to confront

and confound me. Stranger things than that have happened—are happening every

day. My hands trembled as I put down the glasses.

While we steamed slowly in round

Negro Island, Mrs. Randolph began to point

out sights and views that, if I were Julian

to me as to her. She persistently avoided mention of that death tumble into the sea

off those wharves. It was a singular situa

There were a few small vachts near us

as our anchor plunged into the water and we swung round in the stream of the tide.

Their occupants evinced curlosity, and a

few people began to gather on shore to look

at us, for the Idler was not only a beautiful yacht, but was really large and palatial

I watched the shore anxiously, half ex-

pecting to see Lane and Jepson there. When I did not I breathed more freely and went ashore with Mrs. Randolph. We were ac-

companied by Miss Hansborough and Jack

Benson, and by Jerome and Lizette.
Benson bade us good-bye now and caught
the first train out of Rockland for Boston.

The Poplars not being ready for occu-

pancy we were driven to the Bay View Hotel, where as soon as possible we got in telegraphic communication with New York

and repeated some of the messages sent from York Harbor. I now succeeded in

waking up my exasperating and dilatory

"Been absent and sick. Will push mat-

ASBURY RAND."

I sent him a tropical reply, asking him why his office force had not gone right on

with the work. No answer came to this.

Mrs. Randolph was averse to my sending

he already knew all about me, or as much

guessed at a great many things, hence his information was more satisfactory to himself than reliable.

It was a palatial summer house, with others of its kind nearby.

The next day we were occupying it. A few servants had been brought on the Idler, some had been procured in the town,

and still others were hurrying on from

New York and Newport. The yacht swung at anchor in the harbor and the automo-

bile was installed in its garage. Jerome kept inquisitive people at bay, and Court-

ney Lane and Jepson had apparently disappeared from the face of the earth.

Yet I was ill at ease. I could not talk much with Capt. Quinby, except in a gen-

eral way, though I smoked many cigars with him and heard all of his best stories.

Miss Hansborough was caught up in the golfing set and was out on the links most

of the time. So, although I ought to have been happy, with an abundance of leisure

compared with the others

detective.

ters.

not her husband.

"I didn't say that, Julian."

copper set in a frame of pearly gray.

the night, before to the captain.

#### XIX. Mrs. Randolph in Command.

Jerome went ashore with the messages, mine a peppery and peremptory one to Rand. I hoped it would blister him into activity.

While we awaited Jerome's return we held another consultation in the cabin, Capt. Quinby sitting with us.

"This reminds me," he said, "of the time I was captain of the yacht Lothair, in the Mediterranean, and an Algerian pirate who was mayor of the town, or something, tried to hold us up for a hundred pounds, claiming it was customs duties. He swore by the beard of the prophet that if we didn't pay it he would have us all in jail before morning. We pitched the beggar into the sea, and while his crew was fishing him out we sailed away."

on the table. "We will keep far enough out to make sure we miss the tug, if that man has been foolish enough to go for one," she said.
"And then we will steer for Yarmouth,
Nova Scotia. Here it is. The answers to our telegrams can be forwarded to that

Mrs. Randolph was poring over a chart

She looked up from the chart. "That will put us outside the jurisdiction of the United States, captain, which is what we want just now. We will sail as soon as Jerome returns."

That some new rumors were affoat con-cerning us was shown by the appearance of a small fleet of rowboats in the wake of Jerome's, as he pulled off to the Idler. In one of them was a reporter, who wanted to come aboard and interview us. We refused. But for his benefit Benson picked up a conversation with a boat that bobbed its light like a drunken firefly under our

"What's the news from Jepson?" he asked. "Are you going to fight him?" was the answer. "Sure thing!" said Benson. "Did you think we wouldn't? If you're harboring that idea under your hat just take a look at our brass cannon up here. She's loaded so full that she's got the asthma. What's Jepson doing? "Some say he's gone to Portsmouth to get

a tug. But they're goin' to send another boat out from shore pretty soon."
"Oh, they are?" said Benson airily. "Just stand by then and see us blow that boat Miss Hansborough.
So we turned to Camden, the spot where out of the water." But at this juncture our anchor began

"Say, you ain't goin' to sail now?" arose from the boat in a wail of disappointment.
"We're off for Portsmouth, to meet Jepson," Benson declared. "We intend to sink that tug, and then come back here and fight any boat that is sent against us. We'll sink that tug as soon as we meet it." Apparently Benson had irrevocably cast his lot in with mine, in spite of his anxiety over matters at Cambridge. My heart went out to him in a great wave of thankful-

of the harbor. The boats drew away and gave us ample room. The channel to the sea is like the neck of a bottle, and the night was dark; but we passed out slowly and without accident. And soon the lights of the town faded into the mist that was thickening over the water. Fair Harvard is the chief thing that

We were not molested as we steamed out

to beat the band when I get back." He laughed without merriment. "Say, I'll claim that you held me aboard there in New York when the Idler sailed and refused to land me afterward." the slopes of about Batte, to the light the laughed without merriment. "Say, I'll bay and its distant blue islands. I asked been using, and scrutinized the big house with its double line of tall poplars shading used to land me afterward."
When with its double line of tall poplars shading the wide avenue that led up to it. sistible power of a pair of brown eyes," I

But when I considered what he was doing for me, I added:
"Jack, don't think I fail to appreciate your kindness. You've made a tremendous sacrifice for me, and I know to and shall not soon forget it."

I had slept very little the night before. This night I slept less, as we fled northward over the tumbling sea. We saw nothing of that tug from Portsmouth, and hardly a light after we left the lights of York Harbor behind us in the mist. Mrs. Randolph had directed the captain to run well out to sea before laying his course, and so we were out of sight of the lighthouses, even if the mist had not hidden

enough I had not much considered that This mist made gray-gold halos round our possibility. He might still be alive somewhere; he might have had some cause for leaving mysteriously, of which I had never heard and of which Mrs. Randolph herself had not known. She had never really belamps, and transformed Capt. Quinby into a moving ghost as he walked the deck. "I'd advise you to go below, Mr. Ran-dolph," he said, when it was long past mid-night. "It's a nasty night." lieved him dead, and it was because of that lack of belief that she had accepted "I will, captain," I answered, "as soon as

I have smoked a cigar with you." He gave me his to serve as a light. The misty fog blew in our faces with a salty sting and made his oilskins shine. I drew ton W. Rush, farmer on the 300-acre farm | my heavy coat closer about my shoulders. "Along about this time of year you can generally cut the fog on this coast with a knife," he said. "I hope we don't go blundering into any of those Gloucester fishermen. When they're loaded they race along here from the Gravil Banks for Bos-ton as if they were after the America's

> for standing by me so manfully there in He laughed, shaking the water from his "Mr. Randolph," he said, with an earnestness I could not mistake, "he would be a poor captain who wouldn't stand by the owner in a case like that."

> I saw that his faith in me as Julian Randolph had not been shaken.
> I continued to walk the deck even after I had smoked out that cigar, my thoughts on Mrs. Randolph. It vexed me that I had brought this trouble and annoyance to her. She was of a spirit so true and fine that she ought, I knew, to be kept from things like this. She was continually an uplift-ing and refining influence; like the pure air of a mountain top, stimulating, healing, re-freshing, buoying. In spite of all, I had been another, and, I hoped, a better man

since I had known her.

My mind went back to the time when she had called to me from her carriage, and it followed her through all the events since that memorable meeting. Something new had come into my life then. It could be felt, but not defined. It had transformed me. What I had since done I had done for her. My situation was anomalous. Yet I My situation was anomalous. persuaded myself that at bottom it was not base. Nothing could be base and breathe the air where she lived.

the set elegrams.

Later I consulted a Camden lawyer, laid before him as much of the case as I breathe the air where she lived.

Yielding to these thoughts, I mused and dreamed dreams. I felt that I was battling and engaged him in the event of need to defor her even now as we fled across the misty seas. I was but retreating, that I

might be able to deliver a stronger blow in her behalf when the time came for it. My desire was sincere to protect her and shield information was more satisfactory to him I pictured her as asleep in her stateroom, perhaps dreaming of me; or, if awake, thinking of me, as I was of her. Strange that it was so, she still believed me to be her husband, Julian Randolph! To change that belief and let her see me as I was, not her husband, but her devoted lover, and at the same time not to shatter the love she felt for me, was now my delicate task. That was of more importance than even the overthrow of Court-

ney Lane. All depended on it; my future happiness was bound up in its accomplishment. I trembled when I thought of the difficulties which hedged that victory about. But no true lover despairs. There is no wall of difficulty he can not surmount, however high, or howsoever it bristles with The pendulum of my hopes went forward and back-forward and back. At one mo-ment I was sure that Mrs. Randolph's life and mine, having touched in so peculiar a way, were destined not to be severed, whatever befell. One moment I felt thus, and then with the difficulties so clearly be-

mountains, a sudden fear would shake me at sight of a man turning into the avenue of poplars and coming on with quick steps toward the house. On one such occasion, so strong was the conviction that this man was Julian Randolph, that I actually jumped to my feet, dropping my cigar, which rolled slowly off the plazza into the

grass and lay there emitting protesting smoke spirals. And so I watched and waited, thinking of Julian Randolph, and of Lane and Jepson, and expecting constantly a bolt out of the blue. As I remember the time, it had its delights, its deep joys, its moments of intoxicating rapture; but I knew that it could

## (To be Continued Tomorrow.) HEDGESVILLE, W. VA.

Special Correspondence of The Star.

HEDGESVILLE, W. Va., August 31, 1907. This quaint old village has not been at lively any summer since the sixties. all save Jerome, who, worn out with waiting for me, had fallen asleep, with his head

Last Monday Mr. and Mrs. R. Bernard Kilmer gave a progressive euchre party in the parlors of the Mt. Clifton Hotel. The prizes were won by Mrs. N. M. Berryman of Baltimore, Mrs. K. E. Steel of Washington, Mrs. W. F. Drown of Washington, Miss Julia Miller of Baltimore, Miss M. Y. Pattison of Baltimore and Dr. C. E. Clay of Hedgesville.

Last Thursday there was a straw ride to Johnsontown which the young people en-joyed hugely in the glorious moonlight. Twenty-five of the hotel guests partici-

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coburn and daughter Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coburn and daughter of Washington returned home the first of the week after a fortnight's vacation.

Rev. Henry Rumer of Kensington, Md., and Mr. F. I. Stark are devotees of long walks. A trip on foot to Martinsburg and back, fourteen miles, they consider light

exercise.

Mr. Edson Phillips of the office o fthe Attorney General, Washington, has gained an enviable reputation as a fisherman. The Potomac and Back creek. famous for bass, have been his favorite resorts.

An enjoyable entertainment was given in the ballroom of the Mt. Clifton Wednesday evening—a progressive peanut and fudge party. The fun was furious and prizes large and numerous.

large and numerous.

Among the guests at the hotel from Washington are Dr. Ida J. Heiberger, Mr. George B. Wagner. Mrs. Gartrell, Mr. Geo. W. Stose, Mr. J. M. Pickens, Miss Isabel Burch. Rev. Henry Rumer and wife, Miss Gartrell, Mr. Edson Phillips and wife, Mr. Raymond Phillips, Miss Dorothy Phillips, Mr. E. B. Navas and family, Mr. Lames, E. Mr. E. R. Noyes and family, Mr. James E. Douglas, Miss Mary C. Douglas, Mrs. Z. D. Bucher, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Coburn and daughter, Mr. W. F. Drown and wife, Miss Marion Julia Drown, Mrs. K. E. Steel, Mr. E. O. Patterson and wife, Miss Agnes

### WARRENTON.

M. Holland and Miss A. M. Mansell.

Special Correspondence of The Star.

WARRENTON, Va., August 31, 1907. Miss Kate Keith gave a tea Tuesday afternoon at Woodburn to Mrs. William Whittle (nee Charrington) of Norfolk, Va. Mrs. Welford, Mrs. Hutchons and Mrs. Booth gave a bridge party Thursday morn-

Miss Frank Moore gave a progressive euchre party Wednesday night. Mrs. Welford of Richmond won the prize and Mrs. Eppa Hunton, jr., the "booby" of the ladies, and Mr. J. A. C. Keith carried off the prize and Mr. S. A. Appleton the "booby" of the gentlemen. "booby" of the gentlemen.

Miss Annie Day gave a bridge party Friday night.

Miss Carrie Bayly, Miss Ethel Ross and Mr. Edgar Harrington of Cambridge, Md., are visiting Miss Mary Sowers. Miss Jennie Murchenson of Wilmington, N. C., and Miss Agnes Chewning of Fredericksburg, Va., are visiting Miss Louise

Miss Jennie McBlair, who has been on isit to Miss Sublett, left for her St. Louis ome this week. Mr. D'Arcy Duvall and sister, Miss Margaret of Baltimore, are visiting at the coun-try home of Mr. L. D. Passano, jr. Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Marshall and children of Cambridge, Md., are visiting Mrs., Marshall's father, Dr. John S. Sowers.

Maj. Brooke Payne and Messrs. Keith and Fitzhugh Payne have been on a recent visit to their mother, Mrs. J. M. Payne.
Mr. H. A. Toulmin of Springfield, Ohio, who recently purchased a valuable farm near Warrenton, is now here and contemplates making valuable improvements on

his purchase. Mrs. W. W. Williamson and Miss Nanni**6** Chamberlain have gone to the Jamestown exposition.

Miss Jacobs of New York is visiting her sister, Mrs. J. C. Stein.

Mrs. and Miss Bruce of Alexandria, Va.

are staying with Miss Edmonds.

CATHOLIC CHURCH ROBBED. Burglars Set Fire to Edifice, Causing \$7,000 Loss.

GREENSBURG, Ind., September 2 .- St. Mary's Catholic Church was entered by burglars yesterday morning for the fifth time in three months, and after robbing the mite box they set fire to the courch, causing damage to the amount of \$7,000. Among the valuable paintings destroyed was one of the Savior, which was valued at \$500. Bloodhounds were put on the trail of the incendiaries this morning and fol-lowed it for three blocks, where it was found they had got into a buggy and driven

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4250-The creeping apron becomes quite indispensable when the baby begins to travel around the floor in his own queer fashion, for it not only protects his little dress from When the auto-car was landed and brought round to the hotel we went out to the cottage on the slopes of Mount Battie. Sketch is an excellent the sketch is a sketch i in the sketch is an excellent one for the mether's use in making this little garment. It is very plainly and simply fashioned and requires absolutely no trimming. It is buttoned down the back and about the feet is drawn in to the necessary size, either with a drawstring or an elastic. Holland, gingham or flannelette is suitable for making, the latter material being the warmest for cool weather wearing. For the one-year size two and one-quarter yards of thirty-six-inch goods are necessary. 4250—Sizes one-half, one and two years. The price of this pattern is 10 cents.

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