TIMES DAILY SERIAL STORY

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I suggested.

game we are playing."
"If the governor does not suspect he

is numbered among the conspirators,

"I do not think so: it all depends of

Halfenstein learned something about them in Paris. Go with him, and if he makes an identification, bring them to

"And Haupmann obeys orders. The surest way of verifying my theory is to question him; especially about Halfen-

We had talked rapidly, but I feared the Brescian must have become impa-tient. He exhibited no signs of it when we turned toward him. He had lighted

a second cigarette and, leaning half back on the pillow, was watching the thin wreath of bluish smoke curl up toward the ceiling. As we turned he sat upright and regarded us question-

believe the secret agent had made known the list of names to the governor that morning, we, in turn, proferred the assurance that it was not likely the

certain matter pertaining to the old chancellor. Has your errand to do with the rumor which has reached my ears?"

(Continuation of This Story Will Be Found in Tomorrow's Issue of The Times.)

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he asked suddenly.

It is not necessary to go fully

CHAPTER XI (Continued).

OR a moment he remained motionless, his broad shoulders braced
against the wall, then well the continued in the world have got us except
for McGregor," I answered.

"It was a close shave, but fortune favored us; doubly so because you CHAPTER XI (Continued). OR a moment he remained motionless, his broad shoulders braced against the wall; then, with a stumbled onto that paper. This Haupmann is a brave fellow and is not a fool. We can make use of him in the harmless weapon across the room.

Morgan's forehead was damp with beads of perspiration; McGregor's face had gone the color of chalk. Each was a brave man, but to stand by and witness another blow out his brains had gone against the grain. Only I had kept my nerve, for I alone knew the revolver was not loaded. what Halfenstein reported upon his arrival today. You must bear in mind the governor's first ain; is to get us, and that would naturally be Halfenstein's first errand after reaching Brescia; to visit all the hotels in the hopes of identifying one or all of us as the trio he followed in Parks.

Haupmann uttered a short, disagreeable laugh.
"It seems you would not let me end

"It seems you would not let me end the matter in the simplest manner; perhaps it is because you do not know the Baron von Seldorf as I do." He spoke bitterly.

"And so you would have blown out your brains?" said I.

"And why not?" he answered. "I have been tricked by that miserable Halfenstein. In the devil's name, why do you interfere in my affairs, or will the reward be greater if you deliver me alive to the governor?"

"Captain Haupmann," said I soberly.

"You are in error; we have nothing to do with the governor of Brescia."

He stared at me incredulously.

"It is true," I continued. "I obtained the paper from Herr Halfenstein, but I had no intention of making use of it except to protect ourselves."

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"You had supposed we were conspirators against the government of Brescia; might I inquire how it is you desired to arrest us, being yourself in a conspiracy to overthrow the Baron you Seldorf?" A grim smile crossed his bloodless

knew you were not of our party there are no foreigners among us. Why in that case should I not obey orders? he answered.

"And lull the suspicions of the governor?" put in Morgan.

He shrugged his shoulders.
"Listen," continued Morgan. "You have nothing to fear from us if you agree to certain conditions."
"And Halfenstein?" broke in the Brescian the conversation which ensued with Captain Haupmann. It is sufficient that we impressed him with the fact

Morgan, turning to me.

"I can promise Halfenstein will not trouble us; he will abide by such agreement as we may reach," I answered. I fancied an expression of relief flashed across the captain's face; that he was sorely puzzled was evident. Morgan took up the conversation.

"If you will agree, upon your honor as an officer, to attempt no violence of any description we will, in turn, pledge our honor to talk this matter."

"It we not spies, either on behalf of the governor of Brescia or of a foreign power, and that our errand was of a power. we were not spies, either on behalf of the governor of Brescia or of a foreign power, and that our errand was of a personal nature and deal; with a cer-tain secret vital to the Baron von Sel-

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"If you will agree, upon your honor as an officer, to attempt no violence of any description we will, in turn, pledge our honor to talk this matter over calmly. It may be possible you have nothing to fear from this Haifenstein or ourselves. Are you agreed."

The Brescian's reply was to descend from the bed, when, seating himself upon its edge, he regarded us one after the other.

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the other.
"The deuce take me, but I do not understand," he muttered. Then, with the utmost coolness, he produced a cigar-

Morgan drew me to one side, but I observed that McGregor did not neglect to watch the captain closely. If the latter saw it he made no sign: only puffed nonchalantly upon the cigarette.

As briefly as possible I explained to Morgan what had occurred. He nodded, glanced toward the closed door of the closed, and lowered his voice, so what he said could not reach the ears of the man seated upon the bed.

"I have had a talk with Shulhof, and it was because of it I returned to Brescia this afternoon."

"But, surely, you have not explained—"

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"As springly as possible I explained to the closed the ash from his third cigarette, and a faint smile played about the corners of his mouth. "It would seem." said he, "we all have certain irons in the fire. It would appear also, we might each denounce the other, and the only gainer would be the Baron von Scidorf. I am, first of all, a Brescian, and the welfare of my country is dear to me; but the dictaronship of Von Seldorf is rutning my country, rendering it an easy prey for ette and lighted it.

Morgan drew me to one side, but I observed that McGregor did not neglect to watch the captain closely. If the lat-

plained—"
"Hardly that, but I have sounded him. In the first place, he loves the little countess*as one would a daughter. He was her father's closest friend, if we may except that unfortunate fellow, Ludolf. In fact, it was he who lent much valuable assistance on the right when the late chancellor escaped from Brescia across the frontier; it was Shulfor who provided the horses."

"And he acknowledged this to you, who are a stranger in Brescia?" I querted. who are a stranger in Brescia?" I quer-

Only after I had varnished what I "Only after I had varnished what I had to say a bit. I gave him to understand we had known old Von Holleun pretty intimately in England. By working in a part of what Ludoif told us in Paris, I fancy I made a pretty fair yarn of it: at 'east it made its impression on the old war horse. I gave him to understand we had come to Brescla on a promise made to the counters' father; and that was enough for him to father; and that was enough for him to

"And he knows nothing of the docu-ments or the debt Prescia owes to its deposed chancellor?"
"I scarcely fancy so," replied Mor-gan, "or he must have suspected I would have known of it, and dropped some hint."

And he spoke nothing of this con-

piracy? gave you no inkling that the countess was mixed up in such an af-

countess was mixed up in such an affair?"

"Not directly, but he did state the government, which means Baron von Seidorf, was watching her closely; and he warned me to avoid running foul of the governor. He warned me above all not to confide anything to young Von Holleun, who is completely under the influence of the baron. He even suspected that tumble in the creek was not so much the result of his horse balking. I fancy I have confirmed that guspiction."

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"And you rode back to the city?"

"I was coming to that." he continued. "Shulhof is virtually a prisoner at the villa: what you have learned about a conspiracy explains the possible reason. It was useless for me to remain there, and especially as he gave me a message to a friend of his in the city. But what started me off post-haste was the suspicion he has that the countess may not return at once to the villa. The friend to whom he directed me will put us in touch with her here, provided she does not return tonight or tomorrow.

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"The game may develop into one of extreme delicacy, and especially since this conspiracy business has cropped out. I believe the governor will see to it that she remains under his eye, and he will be more anxious than ever to marry her to that son of his.

"Our coming has hastened matters; Von Seldorf suspects, of course, that we learned something from Ludolf. He suspects also we will hunt up the counters, and, while we are at large he proposes to know with whom she holds communication. The old fellow is no fool, and understands looking after his own interests."

fool, and understands looking after his own interests."
"But when they got us at the villa, why didn't they make sure of us? That was an opportunity." I suggested.
"Because." answered Morran, "the agents who held me up in the park were watching only to head off would be conspirators; it is evident they knew nothing about this other affair, nor could the governor suspect that the man—about whom Halfenstein wired from Paris—had ridden out to the counters villa. Yesterday, you must remember, they had that Englishman in the toils, thinking be was the mau they wanted.

wanted.

The story you have told me substantiates that theory; we have proof there is a conspiracy brewing in Bre hand that the Countess von Hellet smixed up in it. It is not yet time, the net to be drawn, so we were narrested out there in the hills. The governor was probably waiting for the return of Halfenstein, on whom he depended for information. You may imagine the old fellow has new something more to think about than a few unruly citizens. That wire from Paris must have stirred him up a bit. He will first get ur and the documents; afterward he will turn his attention to the less vital matter." story you have told me sub-

LOCAL MENTION

Do You Like Soft Crabs? Got 'Em. Maryland Lunch, 1008 Pa, ave; 610 5th.

Senator Warren and Wife, of Wyoming, Are Entertained at the White House

President Host At An Informal Dinner Last Evening.

The President entertained informally at dinner at the White House last evening in compliment to Senator and Mrs. Warren of Wyoming, whose marriage took place recently.

Dinner was served on the terrace Others in the party were Senator and Mrs. Newlands, Senator Crane, Major A. W. Butt, U. S. A.; the secretary to the President, C. D. Hilles, and Judge Herron, of Cincinnati, brother-in-law to the President.

New Chilean Minister And Family to Sail.

The new Chilean minister, with Mme. Quarez and their children, who have been at the Shoreham since their arrival in Washington, the latter part of June, will sail for Paris tomorrow to spend the remainder of the summer.

Miss Genevieve Clark, daughter of the Speaker of the House and Mrs. Champ Clark, has returned to Washington after a visit of several weeks at Deal Beach, N. J., She will accom-pany her mother, who is leaving short-ly for a visit to Colorado Springs.

Dr. P. J. Lennox, of the Catholic University, and Mrs. Lennox will sail from New York Saturday on the Arabic to spend the remainder of the summer abroad. They will visit England, Wales, and various places on the continent, attending the international congress on alcoholism at The Hague in September, and will return here October 1.

Gen. Marshall, Wife and Colonel Bailey and Wife Daughter Leave Today

Gen. and Mrs. William L. Marshall U. S. A., and Miss Maitlaand Marshall left Washington today for Monterey, Pa., where Mrs. Marshall and her turn to Washington Monday, joining his family for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. M. I. Weller are spend-ing the summer at their country place, Arundel - on - the - Bay, Anne Arundel

ounty, Md.

Mr. de Naint, vice consul and attache at the French embassy, will leave Washington toward the end of the month for New York, from where he will sail August 3, for a two months sojourn in France. Mr. de Saint Phalle, of the embassy, who is now in Canada, will return to the city about the same time.

Mrs. Mary Ware, of West Point, Miss., sister of Mrs. Fred Beall, and Miss Mamie McEachin, of Los Angeles, Cal., are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Beall, at 1139 Columbia road.

Capt. and Mrs. John G. Knapp and the latter's mother, Mrs. Randolph Harrison, will close their residence on Twenty-second street tomorrow, and go to Jamestown, R. I., for the summer.

at Lenox for a Few Weeks.

Col. and Mrs. C. J. Bafley and their daughter will spend the remainder of family have closed their Washington the summer. General Marshall will re- residence, and have gone to Lenox, where they will spend several weeks at the Aspinwall,

> The Spanish minister has gone to join Mme. Riano, who has been the guest of her sister, Mrs. Chandler An-derson, at York Harbor, Me., for several weeks.

The Rev. and Mrs. Philip M. Prescott and Miss Marguerite Prescott have gone to Narragansett Pier for the summer.

Mrs. A. R. Fenning has gone to As-bury Park, and is not expected to re-turn to Washington until late in Au-

Mr. and Mrs. Wescott

To Summer In Mexico. Mr. and Mrs. Westcott are leaving Washington in a fortnight for York Harbor, Me., where they will spend the remainder of the season

Mrs. Fleming Newbold will leave Washington tomorrow to spend the summer at Cape May, N. J.

Mrs. John F. Connor and her children left town today for Port Dover, Canada. Mr. Connor will join them later in the season.

Mrs. John Melton Hudgins and her little son left Washington today for Jamestown, R. I., for a stay of sev-eral weeks before going abroad.

Everybody's Question Box-Answers to Queries

times Inquiry Department; Kindly tell me of an unfailing remedy for setting colors in wash material, and oblige, BALLY.

A household authority recommends washing light materials that are apt to fade in bran water instead of ordinary soap aand water. It is made by bolling two quarts of clean bran in two gallons of water for one-half hour. Strain this through a cloth, squeezing it to get the glutinous mass, and in this wash the material, using neither soap nor starch. This will make the goods like new, and will prevent fading. Ordinary salt and water will set delicate colors, and there is an ox gall soap which is also said to set colors in wash goods. This may be obtained at any large grocery store.

Times Inquiry Department; I saw recently in the Inquiry Column that I saw recently in the Inquiry Column that dry commeal would clean a white felt hat. Now, I have a very light, tan colored hat. and I write to ask you if commeal could be used on this, the same as on white felt, without injuring the color. Truly yours, without injuring the color.

You will find the cornmeal equally successful on any light color, unless the hat is very much soiled. Apply the cornmeal with a piece of soft white flannel.

Times Inquiry Department:

flowing, and close, and boil in a boiler give you the name of an excellent recipe for 25 minutes. Take out the jars, book. for 25 minutes. Take out the jars, open each one for a moment, close quickly, return to the boiler and boil for 40 minutes longer. This same recipe may be used for peas and lima beans, only they should be boiled a half hour longer.

Times Inquiry Department: Is it dangerous to walk along the street with a police whistle in the pocket during with a police whistle in the pocket during a thunderstorm?

For one who is compelled to be out during such storms, where is the safest place to walk, on the pavement or on the street?

Is there any danger in walking under trees when you are not near the main body of the tree?

SCARY

-I do not think the police whistle would make any difference. Between the pavement or the street it does not seem to me there is much of a choice under such circumstancs. Better stay as far away from a tree

and its branches as passible, for experts all declare that it is dangerous to be in the neighborhood of trees during thunderstorms. Please give me some of the names of nagazines which buy short stories and seems. Very truly, McD.

magazines which be Scribner's, Munsey's, Harper's, Mc-Clure's, Everybody's, Hampton's, and the American are all published in New York, and all accept available stories and poems. The address New York, is

limes Inquiry Department: I have a handsome hat trimmed with pink silk chiffon, and in wearing it so much the sun hes faded it very light in some places,

e to know what shade I to that I could use it on the I could use I coul

An expert dyer has told me that it vill be impossible for you to have the ribbon dyed, as the light spots are so sunburned that they will rot if the attempt is made to dye it. You might try washing the ribbon in cold water and ammonia, and perhaps this will bring the original color back. If not, I fear there is nothing you can do.

limes Inquiry Department:

Please tell me if there is much at the Blue Ridge mountains in Maryland. A READER OF THE TIMES.

FOR LITTLE FOLK JUST BEFORE BEDTIME

The Sandman's Stories

THE SURPRISE.

said little Neilie Stewart, "you ver, and the monkey danced while the promised I should have a man played the organ, but the music party, mother." "You shall, my dear!" her mother re-

"But you are not getting ready it," said Nellie. "and we have not in-

vited any one." "Wait and see," said her mother, you, but it is to be a surprise." Nellie. "I know all about it."

"That is the surprise, you do not know all about it," her mother replied, "you only know that you are to have a party, but you do not know what kind of a party it is to be."

Nellie went into the kitchen several times that day, but there was no special preparation being made and she began to wonder if it could be possible that her mother would give a party for

her without refreshments. The next morning Nellie was called for an early breakfast and while she



aseating it several of her boy and girl friends arrived and her mother told her that the party had begun.

At 8 o'clock twenty-little friends on the porch and a large wagon with long seats on each side was drawn to the door by two big horses. Then the lunch arrived in large hampers and was stored under the seats.

Then Nellie's mother told her she was to have a picnic party in a grove some miles away. Nellie was as excited as any of her little guests, as she never had heard of a picnic party and she wondered what her mother had planned to amuse them. The air was clear and cool and the birds were singing in the trees as they rode along, and the little folk thought that everything was helping to make the day beautiful.

They were quite a way out of the city when they saw a man coming toward them leading what looked like a

ward them leading what looked like a huge dog, but when they were nearer it proved to be a bear.

The driver stopped his horse, and the man with the bear said: "He dance for you." Nellie's mother gave him some silver and he played on a pipe while the bear stood on his hind legs and danced around in a circle. He looked so clumsy and awkward that the children screamed with laughter. Then the bear put his big paws around his master and they danced together.

His master next loaded a wooden gun

There is plenty of fresh air, beautiful scenery, and fine spring water, besides any number of fine hotels, many summer visitors, and amusements of various sorts.

A correspondent writes asking information regarding High island, in the Potomac river, near Glen Echo, said to be used by scientists for experimental purposes. Will some one familiar with the subject please enlighten this department?

To decide a bet, a reader of The Times writes regarding the distance from Eleventh and F streets northwest to Garfield Hospital. He is informed that S. is nearer correct.

A subscriber, Manassas, Va., is in-

MORROW is my birthday,", Nellie's mother gave him a piece of sil-

was so bad they asked him to stop. The monkey wanted to get to the children because they were cating, and he jumped to the side of the wagon and took off his cap.

One little girl offered him a bag to

help himself to peanuts, and, quick as a flash, he pulled it from her hand and "you will have your party, I promise of a tree overhung the covered top, and up went the monkey, pulling the "How can it be a surprise," said chain out of his master's hand as he jumped. ran to the top of the wagon. A limb of a tree overhung the covered top, and up went the monkey, pulling the For a few minutes there was a great confusion. The man chattered in a foreign tongue, fearing he had lost his

pet, and the monkey chattered in monkey language, thinking they wanted to take away the peanuts. Luckily the chain became entangled in the tree, and his master was able to capture him. When he had him safe he boxed his ears and said something which prob-ably mean: "You are a very bad monably mean: "You are a very bad mon-key," for the monkey put his paws over his face and made a noise just like a child crying. "Poor little fellow," said the children; "don't hurt him."

The organ man smiled and shook his head. "I no hurt him," he said as he held the monkey close to him and pat-

heid the monkey close to him and pat-ted him. The monkey reached up his paw and patted his masters cheek. The children said good-by, and the merry party drove along. Just before they reached the grove they met a man with a cage of birds. "Tell your fortune," he said, lifting his cap. So they stopped again and Nellie's mother arranged to have the fortune. cap. So they stopped again and Nellie's mother arranged to have the fortune of each boy and girl told.

The man brought the cage to the step of the wagon and reached into the cage

of the wagon and reached into the cage with a stick. One of the birds hopped on it and then picked up a printed slip of paper, and with the bird still on the stick the man held it toward a little girl, who took the slip from the bird's bill. All the birds helped to tell the fortunes and each boy and girl had a slip of paper when the carriage drove away which prophesied long and happy life.

Nellie thought it strange they met these performing animals, but her mother told her they were on their way to the city and it was yet early in the

day.
At last they reached the grove, where they played games until it was time



for lunch, and then the hampers were unpacked. And such a hungry little people you never saw. There were sandwiches of all kinds and ice cold milk, little cakes and cookies, peaches, pears, and bananas.

After lunch Nellie's mother read to them, and then they rode home by an-other route, stopping at a pretty little house covered with vines and roses, where ice cream was served, for Nellie' where ice cream was served, for Nellie's mother said a party was not complete without ice cream. It was almost dinner time when they reached Nellie's house, and each little guest scampered toward home, but first they told Nellie and her mother they had had just the nicest time at the picnic party and they never would forget all the fun they had on the way to the grove. on the way to the grove.
"I think my party was the nicest kind
of a surprise." Nellie told her mother.
"and I am sure the other children were as much surprised as I was.

Tomorrow's story-"Mr. Fox Forgets."



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