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CHAPTER XIV (Continued) During this conference Roubetta stood... her face a blank, completely indifferent to her surroundings.

he placed it about her trail about hers. When she was snugly buttoned inside of it he led her out into the dim gray dawn.

stamped. That Sam Kirby should have abandoned his daughter to such a fate was incredible, criminal. Mere intoxication did not excuse it.

As they breasted the swirling snowflakes Doret told himself that, pending Sam Kirby's return to sanity, this sick girl needed a woman's care quite as much as a doctor's; naturally his thoughts turned to the Countess Courtesan.

It was still warm; a few streaks of dry snow caused the little stove to grow red; he helped Roubetta to lie down upon his bed, then he drew his blankets over her.

The Gold Belt Saloon had enjoyed a profitable all-night patronage; less than an hour previously Morris Best had rounded up the rest of his gay song-birds and put an end to their carnival.

"You stay in while, eh?" He rested a comforting hand upon her shoulder. "Polson ain't find your name now. Gimby you ain't feel better."

When, without protest, Roubetta followed him into his snug living-quarters, Doret thought again of the ruffian from whom he had rescued her and again he breathed a malediction.

What happened was so unexpected, it came with such a lack of warning, that few of the witnesses, even though they beheld every move, were able later to agree fully upon details.

"Eh! eh! I fin' him, too! Mam'selle! Polson tuk' it to the girl—you're dead seek, dat's fact. You care for stop in my tent?"

He sat staring up at him, blankly, uncomprehendingly; then, drawn doubtless by the genuine concern in his troubled gaze, she raised her hand and placed it in his.

Polson Doret had been swept aside, then borne backward ahead of that stampede, and at length found himself wedged into a corner. He heard the victor repeating: "You saw him. You saw him!"

"Poor! He dead!" The woodman's brow wrinkled, a moisture gathered in his eyes. "He is hell, for sure. Come, den, ma petite, I fin' a nest for you."

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men who had been here earlier were gone and the tent was by no means crowded. Even so, there were enough men present to raise a mighty turmoil.

time. "Dere ain't no women in dis place." The physician shook his head. "Who indeed. It's a wretched situation. If she's as ill as you seem to think, why we'll have to do the best we can. I suppose, she probably won't last long. Come!"

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ously; there was a peculiar hostile gleam in his small, colorless eyes. "Medicine every hour, and a steady fire, you say. You don't flincher to get much sleep, do you?"



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