
CHAPTER XXVII - (Cammusd)

"also a troowire which I found at the feel of the Culvery down marries

He buff nlighted with at saying this, and quired, "He is in London," I answered, "Monthe rost of the conversation was carried on in whispers. There was some one ill door, she did not advance to speak to very unhappy, but I am not whereal. time, but retreated as soon as the conver-SULTON WHE OVER

ing us. Tout my elect is two much occu- tell me all. If you remain with us. But pied with a sick person to do herself the you said the mignome is not your sishonor of attending up n you.

He did not conduct us through the open door, but led us round the angle of the on to the court, and with no other on Perric trans. It was a building lying between shour? the parch and belity of the church and his own dwelling place. But it looked comfortable and inviting. A fire had been hastly kindled on an open hearth, and a beap of wood by beside it. Two beds Granville. were in this room; one with hangings over the head and a large tail cross at the foot board; the other a low, marrow pal-let, lying along the foot of it. A crucifix hung upon the wall, and the wood work of the high window also formed a "Yes," cross. It weemed a strange goal to reach perfectly.

on the table, and drew the Jogs of wood together on the hearth. He was an old

There is nothing mensiour," I an-

No. as, madahar," he said, "he conput. Tolling which send on to G. a. wille under the charge of my good dean. Steep well, my children, and tear notes of God. What shall I do with you my ing. The good God will protect you." child?"

that Minima was talking a great deal in dear monstear." her branes. It was the courg of the "But your husband, your friendsbell for matters which fully roused me at the said.

up and last out it was a minute or two before "Thave no triends." I interrupted, "and pieces,

ting tares at the mid all the news are "Be content, my haughing Well' it doesn't matter, does shall stay with us."

or may in later which she was saving.

There were hardly result to the dawn week as marked a few and the particle of the later of the l the happy daps at home in the ether; in "Not the day before resterilar?" be Epping Forest. As some as it was built I continued.

The first become I saw was himself. only by twillight and fittingati. His time me. suck was old and threeshare, and his not "Madame," he said, "I promise not to and his clear, quite eyes shone with a sary, madamet you must obey me." kindly light. I ran impulsively to meet

hastel She is iil, my poor Minima!" throat. He shook his head as he turned sion, and he spoke with a low, solemn ac-

"Madame," he said, "it is the fever!" He left me, and I sans down on a chair, half supefied by this new disaster. It would be necessary to stay where we were until Minima recovered; yet I had no means to pay these people for the trouble we should give them, and the expense we should be to them. I had not tall chimney, and a sudden turn in the time to decide upon any course, however, before he returned and brought with him

Mademoiselle Therese was a tall, plain elderly waman, but with the same pleasant expression of open friendliness as that of her brother. She went thro precisely the same examination of Minima as he had done.

"The fever?" she ejaculated, in much the same tone as his. They looked significantly at each other, and then helhurried consultation together outside the

after which the cure returned alone. "Madame," he said, "this child is not your own, as I supposed last night. My sister says you are too young to be her

mother. Is she your sister?"

1 "No. monsiour." I answered.

"I colled you madame because were traveling alone," he continued, smil-"I have brought to destroy shought thy ing. "French demonstries never travel brother, my easier," answered Mension; alone, You are mademoiselle, no doubt?" "No monsieur," I said frankly, "I am

"Where, then, is your husband?" he in

signs, it is difficult for me to explain it in the house, and are arrival was H- I cannot speak your language well timed, that was spile clear. Whoever shough, I think in English, and I can the woman was that had some to the not find the right French words. I am

"Good," he said, smiling again, "very good, my child: I believe you. You wil "Pardon, madame," he said, approach- learn my language quickly, then you shall

"No, she is not my relative at all," I Solvent, the school of Monsieur Emile Perriet. Perhaps you know it, mon-"Certainly, madame," he said.

"He has failed, and run away." I con-timed: "all the pupils are dispersed. Minima and I were returning through

"I understand, madame," he responded, "but it is vilininous, this affair! histen, my child. I have much to say to Ito I speak gently and slowly

"Yes." I answered, "I understand you

"We have had the fever in Ville-en-Munsieur Lauren is put the lamp down bols for some weeks," he went on, "it is a the table, and drew the logs of wood now had very bad. Yesterday I went to Noireau to seek a doctor but I could only man, as I then thought, ever sexty. He hear of one, who is in Paris at present looked round upon us with a benevolent and cannot come immediately. At presentie. "Madame," he said. "our hospitality plint for the sick. My people bring their is rade and simple, but you are very wel- wisk to me, and we do our test, and put come guests. My sister is desolated that our trust in God. But this little house she must ente you to my cares. But if has been kept free from all infection, there be anything you have need of, tell and you would be safe here for one night, so I hoped. The mignonne must have caught the fever some days ago. swered; "you are too good to us-too I must carry her into my little hospital, But you, madame, what am I to do with you? Do you wish to zo on to Gran ville, and leave the mignome with me? We will take care of her as a little angel

Sheep vist, in the good of the protest you."

If good of the protest you, "child?"

Almima had thrown persett upon the "Monsieur." I exclaimed eagerly, "take was horrified, and ordered the child to for patient led. I took off her dump the into your hospital, the Led me take was horrified, and ordered the child to take it away.

Control and hid for some simple care of Minima and your other sick protection. It was not long before I also ple. I am very strong and in good and me servant was near, and the lady's lap. She was horrified, and ordered the child to take it away.

As the little girl would not move it, and the strong and its lady would be defined by touching a doll that the college of the college vague marries or percel less super the will do all you say to me. Let me stay, had been brought from abroad, the only

cast it make any where I was. Then my last-and does not love me. If I have. The same lady will not open a letter

that we are so poor, cant Neily 1 felt a sudden sense of contentment. We're so poor-so pror-so for here was work for me to do, as well Her wake Jel late a maximum too low pelled to leave Minima. I wrapped her to her, but she did not answer.

What comm not the could? I went to and entered the boose by the door I had her and room her hands in name—burning little hands I said. "Minima" and said the night before. A stair use led the hands I said. "Minima" and said the night before. A stair use led up to a sing, low room, which and been raising her had fingers to say as my last. "Yes, Aunt Name. How past we also "Yes, Aunt Name. How past we also been used. I had so treat, and the pair was arrows mine beds in it, of olderent sizes, unsught with the path his win new assistant was hardly room for me in the fines. But one of these was empty. In this home-like word I took up not appear to the last of the path his win new assistant when her the path his win new assistant when her the path his win new as in the last of the path his win new as in the last of the path his win new as in the last of the path his win new as in the last of the path his win new as in the last of the path his win new as in the last of the path his win new as in the last of the path his win new as in the last of the path his win new as in the last of the path his win new as in the last of the path his win new as in the last of the path his win new as in the last of the path his win new as in the last of the path his win new as in the last of the path his win new as in the last of the path his win new as in the path hi

Mousieur Laurentie raised me genry.

coming in my direction. I had not feltly from my low chair, and sensel himself looked at him before for I had seen him upon it, with a smile as he bloked up at

brown. His hair tell in eather long lacks quit the chamber till you return. My sigbelow his hat, an was healthy loosing flav that the face was healthy loosing flav that counted the mignoune to me, and make of a man who lived much out of doors, your promentals in peace. It is necessarily

The commission for nucleuroiselle was him, with outstretched hands, which he to carry some food and medicine to a ook into his own with a pleasant smile. cottage lower down the valley: and "Oh, come, mensiour." I cried: "make Jean's cliest son. Pietre, was appointed to be my guide. Both the cure and his The smile faded away from his face in sister gave the a sitter charge as to what an instant, and he did not after a word. we were to do: neither of us was upon He followed he quickly to the side of any account to go near or enter the little bed, laid his hand softly on dwelling but after the basket was deposthe child's forehead, and felt her pulse, ited upon a flat stone, which Pierre was He lifted up her head gently, and opening to point out to me, he was to ring a her mouth, looked at her tongue and small hand-helt which he carried with him for that purpose. Then we were to to me with a grave and perplexed expres- turn our backs and begin our retreat, before any person come out of the in-

> I set out with Pierre, a solemn localng lay of about twelve years of age. passed down the village street, with its closely packed houses forming a very nest for fever, until we reached the road by which I had first entered Ville-sn-bois. Above the tops of the trees appeared a

by-road we had taken brought us full in sight of a small cotton mill, built on the onnes of the noisy stream. A more mournfully dilapidated place I had never

In the ward adjoining this deserted factory stood a miserable Cottage with a upidowed thatched roat. The place bore the aspect of a pest house. Pierre ied me to a large flat stone, and I isid down basket upon it. Then he rang his hand-bell noisily, and the next instant was scampering back along the road.

But I could not run away. The desi late plague-stricken place had a dismet fascination for me. I wondered what manner of persons could dwell in it; and as I lingered I saw the low door opened. Museum brought home 2,200 specimens.

and a thin, spectral figure standing in the gloom within, but delaying to cross the moldering doorsill as long as I remained Cutting System Now in Use Is More In another minute Pierre had rushed back for me, and dragged me away with all his boyish strength and

strance, "you are disobeying Monsieur ie when workmen simply went out on the

"But who lives there?" I saked. "They are very wicked people," he an-swored emphatically: "no one goes near them, except Mensieur le Cure. They became wicked before my time, and Monsieur le Cure has forbidden us to speak of them with rancour, so we do not speak of them at all."

Who were these pariahs, whose name

even was banished from every tongue? A few days after this, the whole community was thrown into a tumult by the news that their cure was about to undertake the perils of a voyage to Englated, and would be absent a whole fortnight. He said it was to obtain some information as to the English system of drainage in agricultural districts, which might make their own valley more rear of the other. A horse attached to healthy and less liable to fever. But it this frame drags it over the ice while struck me that he was about to make it is directed by the driver who holds some inquiries concerning my husband, and perhaps about Minima, whose desclate position had roughed him deeply ventured to tell him what danger might arise to me if any one to my hiding place

fell into Richard Foster's hands. The afternoon of that day was unusu- ning at right angles, thus marking out ally sultry and oppressive. The blue of the exact size of the cakes to be cut. with a long walk in the morning, and after our mid-day meal I stole away from mademoiselle and Minima and betook myself to the cool shelter of the This machine is somewhat similar in

church. I sat down upon a bench just within the door. There was a faint scent yet about ten inches in length. Often both of the incense which had been burned at this muchine and the marker have an the mass celebrated before the cure's extension arm fitted with teeth, the departure. I leaned my head against the wall and closed my eyes, with a pleasant sense of sleep coming softly towards me, when suddenly a hand was laid upon my arm, with a tirm, slient grip.

(To be continued.)

Nice Turkish Customs. It is said by a correspondent of the London Telegraph that the habits of = the Turkish ladies in Constantinople are wonderfully fastidious. When they wash their hands at a tap from which water runs into a marble basin, they let the water run till a servant shuts it off, as to do this themselves would make them unclean. They cannot open or shut a door, as the handle would be uncienti

One of these fustidious ladies was talking to a small plece the other day, who had just received a present of a doll from Paris. By and by the child

_e thing she could think of was to jump up and let the doll full. It broke in

Minima legate to talk.

"How ready that is?" she said, "there has wicked: I am a Christian I have coming by post, but a servant opens the lays run, and I am it is used to one of them. Using Temper 8 semants pulling has at the lays are handless to the ground it is in a district the property of the stay with Minima and do all her handkerchief falls to the ground it is immediately destroyed or given handless. Well in doesn't matter, doesn't make the said "round way, so that she may not again use it." Among the men this curious state of things does not exist.

Pope on Woman's Clotnes.

for not in hear what she was saying up warmly in the bianners, and Monsieur though are west on talking rapidity and Laurentie lifted her carefully and tender to preference in regard to ladies' apparel daughter and solding at times. I called design from the low bed. He took use to over and above the strict regulation in regard to ladies who are received by the holy father at the Vatican, A niece of the Pope was about to be married. and her distinguished relative took so grent an interest in her troussent as to stipulate that the young lady should only have white, blue or black gowns. adding that these were the three colors most becoming to young girls. "Gray and brown," remarked his Hollness, are only suitable for old women, and I do not like any other col-

Possibly the Pope prescribed white because it is the symbol of purity, bine because it is the color dedicated to the "No nonsicut" I observed, "I dare Virgin Mary, and black because it is door to see it I could that my one to scall but herve Minnigh. I four she is going the time-honored hue of dress for outdoor went for Spain and Italy -London Pall Mall Gazette.

it was in Boston that the first administration of ether for annesthetizing the patient under the surgeon's knife and a Boston physician, Dr. W. B. Hidden, has perfected an appliance with which the surgeon operating secures the full effects of ether and chloroform without any waste, while the insensible subject breathes in the same amount of pure air with each inspiration as though not using the anaesthetic. The blood is thus kept oxidized, and the patient is left in the best possible condition for reaction and recovery.

The Speed of the Blood.

It has been calculated that, assuming the human heart to beat sixty-nine times a minute at ordinary heart pressure, the blood goes at the rate of 207 yards in a minute, or seven miles a day, and 61,320 miles a year . If a man corpuscie floating in his blood all his often packed away in one house. life it would have traveled in that time over 5,150,000 miles.

Equal to the Occasion. Liveried Menial-"Me ind, the carriage waits without."

His Lordship-Without what? "Without horses, me ind; 'tis an automobile."-Tit-Bits.

Historic British Regiments. The names of no fewer than 105 batties are embiazoned on the banners of geniuses of the bureau of navigation. the various regiments which form the British army.

Fish of the Nile.

The Nile is noted for the variety of its fish. An expedition sent by the British

GATHERING THE ICE CROP.

Elaborate than Old Method.

In these modern days the cutting of ice is a much more elaborate process, rionate heaviness. Set up on shore-it 'Madame," he said, in sugry remon- than it was lifteen or twenty years ago. | might well be used as a landmark by frozen surfaces of lakes and rivers with a one-handled crossent saw and cut out the cakes, which were drawn up an incline into the lechouses by means of us to size and to speed. Beneath the ropes. Nowadays each rake is handled more or less by about a dozen men be- lars and cents upon which the young fore it reaches its place in the icehouse. In the first place, if the surface of the tce is not perfectly clear it is swept or scraped free of all snow or anything else that may be lying upon it. Then to enlist heretofore issued by the gov- nearly every form of publicity, "you the marker, the man who is to scratch ornment that it is likely to attract a can reach more people in the best manthe lines along which the ice cakes are good deal of attention among the class user and shortest time, and get better to be cut, begins operations. In a of men it is desired to reach. But it results for your money, in the columns frame, to which handles similar to is not lack of good advertising that of a good newspaper than in any other those of a plow are attached for guiding purposes, are two teeth, one in the the handles. The teeth cut into the ice deep enough to leave a fissure that can entering the service. easily be traced. After cutting lines, all running in the same direction, the murker cross-cuts these with lines run-After the marking off is completed, or

sometimes before it is finished, the cutting machine is brought out on the ice. design to the marker, but it is of heavier construction, stronger, and has teem stretch of the arm being the exact width of a cake of ice. The cutting machine is driven up and down the ice it their full length. If the ice is over ten ers say. They remind the Philadelphia hand-saws are brought into play to fin- from chalk.

the forecastle. The first fine consists of the words "Men Wanted!" followed by a large number of exclamation marks. This line is set up in letters about six inches high and of proper-

the able mariners who designed it. Beneath the scare line is a fine photo-engraving of the new buttle ship L Wisconsin, the queen of the mavy, both pleture are set forth the terms in dolman who has forsaken the farm or the shop may win undying fame for himself in the naval service of his country. The poster is so unlike the invitations keeps Americans out of the navy. Ap- wayparently it has never occurred to the officers who devised the poster that the lishers have nearly abandoned the use fact that a young men cannot rise from of claborate and costly art posters to the ranks to a commission is the bar push the sale of new books, and are that keeps ambitious young men from faking more space than formerly in the

They can never rise above the mak of a non-commissioned officer. No mate est and cheapest way to convey inforter how deserving he may be, the boy who enlists in the navy must always regard himself as socially and mentally the inferior of the more fortunate boy who has been educated at government expense at Annapolis. He must niso be ready whenever one of the more. fortunate souls so decrees to render almost any sort of mental service.

Cloths Woven from Rocks

The weaving of stone into material for clothing, the making of flexible and Insting granite trousers, black marble conts and fancy onyx waistcoats may until the knives or teeth have cut into be a possibility of the future, the weavinches in thickness the cutting is, of Record that already curtains are made course, not yet completed and the old of asbestos and cloth manufactured



ICE HARVEST, AT ITS HEIGHT.

ish the job. The cakes of ice are then James McGuck, a Manayunk spinner ready for the man with the crowbar, has an armchair covered with a soft who pries them apart and sends them and silky fabric of Titian red, which he floating down toward the point where weve tellsomely out of rock, out of tree interior of the icehouses. The cakes are | Manayunk masons build cheap houses. generally cut about twenty or twenty. McGuck thus describes the weaving: two inches square, as the most con-

tation course, built so close to the water that out good stock, with a staple an inch the elevator for hauling up the ice can long like asbestos. reach from the top of the building "This fluffy stuff I threw into my down to the water's edge. The build- carding-machine, and first it became a ings are, as a rule, about the height of soft, inch-thick rope, then a harder from 100 to 150 feet in width by more my mule took it and twisted it till it than that in length. The walls are was an ordinary thread, like that you usually double, with an air chamber see on a spool of cotton. I wove it on of about a foot between the two walls. a hand-loom then, Sometimes the walls are treble, with as separate as if they were in different rock in the history of the world." buildings. This arrangement is made so that it will not be necessary to expose the whole of the interior to the outer The stars of how the mistletoe gets on air when taking out a load of ice for the trees is a most interesting one. Cov-

like the straw elevator of a thrushing ter season, when food is comparatively machine, is used for carrying the ice scarce, and hence some of our birds car from the water to the building. This them freely, Now when a robin eats a chain is operated by a steam en-cherry he swallows simply the ment gine placed just underneath it and just and flips the stone away. The seed of outside of the icehouse. The chain is a the mistletoe the bird cannot filp. It is wide, flat surface, wide enough to eas. sticky and holds to his bill. His only By accommodate a cake of ice, or even resource is to wipe it off, and he does more. The chain dips down into the so, leaving it sticking to the branches water, and while it is moving workmen of the tree on which he is sitting at the push the cakes of ice upon it and they time. This seed sprouts after a time. push the cakes of ree upon to the lee-are carried upward and into the lee-are carried upward and into the lee-are carried upward and into the lee-spectral habit has made it cause wants. together by ice shovers. Nothing what- ing-it sinks its roots into the bark of candy, ever is placed about the ice, the old the tree and hunts there for the pipes sawdust packing system being quite that carry the sap. Now the sap in the said, "what will you give me a kiss " straw is placed upon the top layer of richer than that in the wood, and the cakes and the packing is then complete. mistletoe gets from its host the choicest 84 years of age could have one single Twenty or thirty thousand tons are of food. With a strange foresight it

WHY THE NAVY LACKS MEN. No Chance for a Sailor to Reach an Officer's Berth.

The Navy Department is having an exceedingly hard time in keeping the enlisted force up to within several thousand of the maximum allowed by law, says a Washington special to the wondering why this is so. The bright of which Admiral Crowninshield is the Record head, appear to have come to the conclusion that the "paper" of the department soliciting recruits is not alluring try Boy-Killed anything yit? City enough. So they have devised a new Hunter-As soon as I kill this one and

y leave the water on the way to the shell," the crumbling stone of which

"I threw about a ren of the rock, in venient size for handling and transpor- lumps as big as your head, into the picker. The picker blades were dulled. The houses for storing the ice are, of but the rock was crushed and came

a three or four story structure, and are quarter-inch twine, and at this point

"This little piece of cloth-it's eightwo air chambers for the protection of teen inches square-is all I got. It took the ice. The interior is divided into a ton of rock to make it. I claim it is several great compartments, which are the first cloth ever woven our of real

Propagating the Mistletoe.

ering the mistletoe twigs are pearly An endless chain system, more or less white berries. These come in the windoes not throw its leaves away, as domost parasites, but keeps them to use in winter, when the tree is leafless.-Ladies' Home Journal.

Kinbby's Retort.

"You men are all alike," said Mrs. Klubby, concluding her curtain lecture; "always ready to put an enemy in your mouths to steal away your beins. "Yesh," replied Kinbby, "but what a Pittsburg Dispatch. Many officers are blessin' 't'd be if you women'd only put 'n enemy in your brains t' steal sway your mouths."-Philadelphia

The amateur sportsman's bag: Counpattern of a poster intended to weam two more. I will have three.—Indian-an office man sits on, the lower his



Advertising is the lever that mores the business world.

a manager of the dry goods house of Marshall Field & Co., of Chicago, is quoted as saying that while some sort regument may be urged in favor of

It is worthy of note that book pubnew-papers. They have learned that the most effective as well as the quickmation to the people is through the use of the columns of the newspapers.

An instance of the influence of advertising is mentioned by Dr. Wnish, a New York physician, in an article on sarsaparilla. He states that for many years before 1850 nobody had used say saparilla for any purpose; but about that time a firm began advertising it in the newspapers as a medicine. Since then millions of gallons have been consumed every year, and an enormous sum is annually expended in its man-

Here is the opinion of the New York merchants who form the Sphinx Club: Business consists of but two things, which are equally important. The first is to have something that the people want and the second is to let people know it. That the hewspaper offers the best medium of communication with the largest number of people is apparcut from the fact that the most success ful business men rely chiefly on the newspaper for advertising.

There is a Wisconsin farmer who does what a great majority of the people wil do in a few years. When he has any thing to sell be places a small "ad." is the local newspaper and soon hears from the dealers. When he wants to buy a horse, cow or anything else he spends half a dollar for newspaper space, and everybody in the neighborhood whi wants to sell calls on him or writes to him. The newspaper advertisemen saves time and inbor.-Philladelphia

INGENIOUS SCHOOL DESK.

A very ingenious innovation in school furniture has receptly been introduce in Germany by a Berlin inventor and promises to become popular both a public and private schools. It is a desi of which the sent, footrest and writing leaf can be adjusted at the option of the pupil. Then again, the sent and foot



WILL DELIGHT THE BOY.

test can be lifted and pushed back? case the writer gets tired of his seden tary position so that he can stand at 10 desk to do his work.

All these various transformations be effected by light pressure of a nur ber of buttons on the side of the ded The desk is of simple construction. cupying no more room than the order ary school desk and can be manipulate even by little children.

Unprofitable Basiness.

Charity basar in the Steenth Wat girl with the red cheeks was sells

in addition?"

"Twenty-five cents," she said. "I've only got 15 cents besides to dline. Give it to me for that? It's charity, remember."

"Yes," she answered rejuctantly. "Se we lose money on every one I sell se that,"-Chicago Tribune,

Jim Fisk's "Woodbine." A paragrapher wonders where I Fisk got his favorite expression wh he had rulned an enemy or everor an conent: "He has gone where se twineth." It was simply pletone que way of saying: "Gont the spont." All through Jim Fisks's tive State the woodbine twined are and climbed up the tin spout leading

New York World. ary?

the caves of the veranda or porch