

By Order of the Czar

A Story of Russian Power

By MARCUS EASTLAK

CHAPTER XVIII.

My patient mother would not permit me to go to the station, and I knew not whether to be contented with the consolation she offered, "Thank you, dear."

I gently drew her to a sitting posture, and supported her with my arm.

"How do you feel now, dear?" I inquired.

"All right, all right," she replied, her eyes no longer so dim. "I feel better, but I am still so weak."

"I shall be satisfied here with you," she said, her eyes fixed on me. "I shall be satisfied here with you."

"I hesitate," I said. "That is difficult to say." I replied at length. "It depends much on the state of your mind and your bodily condition. If the worst should be done—"

"Do not distress me," she said. "I will be satisfied here with you."

"I cannot distress me," she said. "I will be satisfied here with you."

"I look like a man of great health," she said. "I look like a man of great health."

"The station master is of all things the most important," she said. "The station master is of all things the most important."

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These offices an experienced hand might have done better, if less tenderly. Though he speaks not much, I see that it weighs on his mind.

I stay with him, tending him, changing his position, administering the cooling draught I have prescribed for him, and the hours I had devoted to face him are almost uncounted, and in perfect solitude of mind. It is as if I had turned the key to the Bluebird chamber.

At length the feeling light approaches me that the God of that chamber must be approached again. I do so at first with reverence. Hope has called to this still atmosphere. A certain peace and serenity is in the air. I consult the gold reporter that reads in a pocket along my patient's head. He opens his eyes and says:

"What, going?" he asks.

"Yes, I have an engagement, but I will look in again to-night and see how before I go to bed. I am staying in the Bluebird room, but the stationer will walk with me."

The old man's countenance has fallen. "Of course, you have engagements. You must go to your friends. It is good of you to have stayed with me so long. It is this morning, however, with a slight cold, but I am in a way to get on my feet. I am in a way to get on my feet."

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and into the recesses of the dimly lit carriage. In vain, however, was I Maruska.

There is a light in one of the carriages, and a small and slight figure is seen. Her face is averted. She is looking at her watch. The watch is in her hand, and a pocket watch is in her hand. She is looking at her watch. The watch is in her hand, and a pocket watch is in her hand.

I see now that it is a group of struggling women, and one of the women is Maruska.

"The voice is broken as the carriage full of the lady drives from the gates of Moscow," says Maruska's voice.

"The voice is broken," I say.

A little group of women is standing on the street, and one of the women is Maruska. She is looking at her watch. The watch is in her hand, and a pocket watch is in her hand.

"Maruska—oh, Maruska!" I say.

"My arms are around her, and we are both of us in a pair of beautiful, long, light-colored dresses. The dress is white, and the dress is white. The dress is white, and the dress is white.

I suppose it is the picture of a railway station. I am standing, and the "women of gold" and the "women of silver" are standing. The women are standing, and the women are standing.

I think she says she has with her, and she is with me. "The dress is white, and the dress is white. The dress is white, and the dress is white."

I know by her looks that she has not taken a word of what I have been saying to her.

"I know," I say. "The dress is white, and the dress is white. The dress is white, and the dress is white."

As we are leaving the station, I must have seen her sometimes before. The dress is white, and the dress is white. The dress is white, and the dress is white.

It is the station master—of course. I take off my hat and wave to him. He looks after me, and I look after him. The dress is white, and the dress is white.

"Where shall I tell him to go, Maruska?" I say. "The dress is white, and the dress is white. The dress is white, and the dress is white."

Maruska is so bewitched when she sees that little air of outraged dignity, with her lips trying to purse, yet trembling with suppressed wrath.

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AGRICULTURAL



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Ice-House and Dairy Combined

My ice house is built above ground with a good cement floor, which slopes to the center with a fall of 6 inches. The waste water is conducted by a lead pipe, c, to the dairy room, where it is placed in the cans of milk. I use deep cans, holding about 4 gallons each. The dairy room is 8x12 feet, and the trough, a 2 feet deep, 16 feet long and 16 inches deep. This as well as the floor is made of concrete. The waste water is led outside through pipe, h. The ice house is 16x20 feet in size, with 14 foot studs. It will hold about 100 tons of ice, which gives about 30 tons for family use and the balance to supply the dairy through the season. There is always cool, waste water to keep the temperature in the tank from 45 to 50 degrees and it is never necessary to put in ice.—Franklin Rogers, in Farm and Home.

Leveler for Fields

Some improvement in agricultural machinery is patented every week, and yet no two inventions are designed for similar purposes. An Ohio man has invented a new idea in leveling machines, an illustration of which is shown here. A supporting frame is suspended upon two runners, these runners being similar to runners in a snow sled, the whole apparatus being constructed of either wood or iron. A leveler, in the shape of a triangle, has the apex in a line with the rear end of the runners, the open ends being fastened to the front of the runners. A lever, in reach of the driver



LEVELS THE GROUND.

When to Market Hogs

A well established fact in connection with feeding hogs and that ap-

Milk Adulteration

While the ordinary methods of milk adulterations are easily detected by expert examiners, it is reported that a French chemist, Dr. Queneville, has made some experiments that point to the probability that for some time there has been practiced a form of deception in milk adulteration which has escaped the attention of health officers. In a paragraph in the Birmingham Daily Mail it is explained that the deficiency of fats, whether due to the poverty of the milk or the extraction of fats, has been covered by the addition of foreign greasy matter. Dr. Queneville found that "benzene would dissolve foreign fats without affecting the natural fats in milk," and thus by examining samples which have passed the ordinary test he discovered such substances as pork dripping and coconut butter.

Seventy-five Years Ago

Wine duties in Prussia were reduced one-half, as the vintage had been scarce the previous year.

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Patented printing for the blind was invented by Charles Barbier, a Frenchman.

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THE WEEKLY HISTORIAN



One Hundred Years Ago

The first benefit to the United States resulting from the war between England and Spain was the opening of the port of Havana to American vessels.

Stocks had risen 2 and 1/2 per cent in London owing to France's overture for peace.

The exportation of corn was prohibited from the Swedish and Prussian ports.

The contemplated sale of Gibraltar by the French and Spanish Governments was denied on positively.

Dominicus authorized the Pope to issue all the indulgences and other favors formerly took the constitutional oath, to signify its obligations.

The Spanish Government of Mexico sent to Spain for aid to suppress some disturbances in that colony.

English ships captured a Spanish vessel with \$200,000 and a valuable cargo of indigo.

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