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Second Cousin Sarah

BY THE AUTHOR OF "ANNE JUDGE, SPINSTER," "LITTLE KATE KIRBY," ETC., ETC.

CHAPTER XXIII.—(Continued.)

It was dark when he returned to the house, and he closed the shutters and barred the door very carefully before he set down by the fire to reflect upon his next step. He had been reflecting on that all day, without seeing his way too clearly to the results on which he had set his heart—a large sum of money, and a new life abroad to enjoy it in.

"Let me in." "Tom Eastbell!" ejaculated Peterson. He opened the door, and dragged the applicant for admittance into the house by the collar of his coat—a man drenched to the skin by heavy rain.

"What do you know of the Petersons? What became of them after leaving London?" asked Reuben eagerly; "have you a clue to their address?" "I think I have."

"How did you find it?" "Among my circle of penitents and of poor mortals struggling out of crime there are many links of life to the dark world. I found friends to help me at once. If Sarah Eastbell has been lured away by these Petersons, the clue to their haunt has been already pointed out."

"Heaven bless you, Lucy!" "Probably I bring a blessing to you—it is in there." She pointed to the door of the drawing room, and he said eagerly as he strode toward it: "I'll go."

"Not she. It is something you lost before your second cousin, and took as much to heart in losing it. It is something that changed you—and from which dated your hardness, and your suspicions of me—first of all, it may be your own flesh and blood, for what I know."

CHAPTER XXIV. Reuben Culwick did not reach Sedge Hill till a late hour, when the blinds were down before every window of the great house. He did not dream of death at home while he had been abroad in pursuit of the living, and, in the deep thought born of his baffled search, he strode up the broad garden path without being struck by the blank aspect of the mansion.

EVENTS OF THE DAY

GATHERED FROM ALL PARTS OF THE TWO HEMISPHERES.

Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week. Presented in Condensed Form, Most Likely to Prove Interesting to Our Many Readers.

Neidermeir, Marx and Vandine, the Chicago carban bandits, have paid the penalty of their crimes. Russia may not send her Baltic fleet to the Far East, as it would leave her European ports unguarded.

It is reported that two Japanese, disguised as beggars, attempted to assassinate General Kouropatkin while he was in Niu Chwang recently. Russian troops en route to the Far East have been denied liquor as there is a determination on the part of officers that the army shall conduct itself well.

The Hansbrough bill recently passed by the senate repealing the timber and stone act, and authorizing the sale of government timber to the highest bidder, has been practically killed in the house public lands committee.

Many floating mines have been seen off the Shan Tung promontory in the path followed by vessels bound to and from Shanghai and Che Foo and Tien Tsin. This is extremely dangerous to shipping and probably will cause an increase in marine insurance.

The senate has passed the pension and the river and harbor bills. The cost of the war to Russia, up to April 5, is placed at \$46,250,000. St. Petersburg is in receipt of a report that Niu Chwang is being bombarded.

Colorado militiamen clubbed the secretary of the Miners' Federation for defying their chief. The house has passed a bill providing a temporary government for the Panama canal zone.

Secretary Hitchcock has issued an order prohibiting sheep on the Baker City forest reserve. The river and harbor bill was amended by the senate so as to authorize the survey of Coos and Tillamook bays.

PAPERS ARE SIGNED

TITLE TO PANAMA CANAL NOW RESTS WITH UNITED STATES.

Agreement Transfers Property Without Reservation—Stockholders Will Now Ratify the Act of President and Director of Company—Title is Perfect—U. S. First to Hear News.

Paris, April 25.—The Associated Press is authorized to announce that the contract by which the Panama canal passes to the United States is signed and sealed. The title to the canal is now vested in the United States. The document by which this transaction is consummated bears the signatures of President and Director Richman, of the Panama canal company, who signed for the company as its responsible officers. The transfer is complete and without reservation, and the United States secures a perfect title.

This result has been quietly accomplished, and unexpectedly, as the public has been given to understand that the contract would not be executed until after the meeting of the stockholders of the Panama canal company tomorrow, at which the question of ratification would be presented. As a matter of fact, however, when the meeting takes place President Richman and Director Richman, of the Panama canal company, will only remain to ratify the contract of sale which the officers of the company have formally completed. Only a few of the highest officers of the company are now aware of the secret, which will not be known except by this announcement in the United States up to the time of the meeting.

It is confidently believed that the completion of the sale before this meeting will increase the vote for ratification. RUSSIA ISSUES PAPER MONEY. Finance Minister Says It is Not Forced, and No Loan is Desired.

St. Petersburg, April 25.—Russia has made a new issue of \$15,000,000 in paper currency against free gold in the State bank. At the ministry of finance it was explained that it was an ordinary issue, and in no sense was forced. Under the law paper is issuable to double the amount of gold up to \$150,000,000 gold, in excess of which paper issued must be covered for gold.

In the State bank there are, in round figures, \$400,000,000 in gold, which would permit of an issue of \$650,000,000 in paper, but the paper issue at present only amounts to \$350,000,000. All sorts of figures of the cost of the war are printed abroad. The correspondent of the Associated Press is authoritatively informed that the daily expenses are averaging \$750,000, and it is estimated that a year's expenditure for the war will total \$250,000,000. To meet this there existed a free balance of \$50,000,000 by reductions in the ordinary budgets, leaving ostensibly \$135,000,000. But a portion of the latter is made up by the increased earnings of the railroads owned by the government. It being in reality a question of bookkeeping, how the balance is to be raised has not yet been determined.

ALL RETIRE AT SEVENTY YEARS. House Committee Decides on Reform in the Civil Service. Washington, April 23.—The house committee on reform in the civil service authorized Chairman Gillett to introduce a bill providing that on June 30, 1907, every office in the classified service of the United States held by a person who is then over 70 years old, shall become vacant, and that thereafter such offices shall become vacant when the incumbent becomes 70 years old.

Alaskan Fishing Season Extended. Washington, April 25.—The secretary of commerce signed an order today rescinding the regulation which limits the duration of the salmon fishing season in Southeastern Alaska. Under the former regulation, cannerymen were prohibited from taking salmon until July 1, but the order issued today removes this restriction entirely and no date is fixed. The repeal of the old regulation was demanded by the cannerymen's association, and was also recommended by the Jordan commission.

Will Be Under Martial Law. Niu Chwang, April 25.—Victory Alexieff has issued an imperial order declaring the Yiu Kow railroad station and the native village adjoining it to be within the region under martial law. The station is the Niu Chwang, and it is a terminus of the Pekin-Shan Kai Kwan railroad and telegraph system. The order also establishes a censorship over all telegrams, the scrutiny of papers and inspection of baggage. It will go into effect tomorrow.