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## HERR STEINHARDT'S NEMESIS

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CHAPTER IX.—Continued.

"Oh," said she in a terrified voice, "Mr. Steinhardt looked terrible!" He asked me if I had written telling some one to ask such questions. I answered at once, "No; but Mr. Unwin has." I wish I had not said that; for he said at once, "Oh; Unwin; I'll make short work of him." So, please! do be careful! I could see in his eyes how cruel he might be. I said, "Surely there is no harm in trying to find out what has become of my poor father." "Oh," said he, "no harm at all—none at all," and went away.

I could not but regret this very much. It was, therefore, with some anxiety that I received and accepted an invitation to an interview—I had almost said, a collision—with Steinhardt that evening at seven o'clock in the laboratory of the Chemical Works. I had never yet been within the mysterious, tainted precincts, and it was with something of a shudder that I asked myself why he should have invited me to call upon him there, and at an hour when probably there would be no one in the place except himself and the watchman. I went, however, with the sternest courage I could summon.

I cannot describe the laboratory, for I clearly saw only Steinhardt, red as a Mephistopheles; all else was a jumble of retorts, taps, tubes of raw color and what not. He was very civil.

"I asked you to come and see me here, Mr. Unwin," he began, "because I am watching an experiment which I cannot leave, and I wanted to see you at once. You have not taken my word for it that Miss Lacroix is not for you; you have been seeing her at times and places when you should not." He paused and looked at me, as if expecting me to pay something. I was silent, and he went on, "Miss Lacroix is not a girl to be the wife of a clergyman who has his way to make; she is beautiful, I know, but she has no money—nothing to speak of. Your time here will be up in another week or so; you have been trying to get a place near here, but you cannot; it will not do to stay about in this neighborhood. I will help you to get a good place in the south—a living of your own—I know where I can, and you must go away tomorrow. There is a cheque I have written for your quarter's salary."

"I am sorry, Mr. Steinhardt," said I, "I cannot go away tomorrow; and I cannot promise to leave the neighborhood."

"Oh; you cannot. Think again; if you do not go, I must send away my family."

"My mind is quite made up," said I. "It is? Very well," he rose, also, to end the interview, and I rose, also. You had better take the cheque," he said, pushing it toward me; "it is almost due, and I shall not want to see you again."

I took it, and was going. Involuntarily I glanced about for any vat or vessel which I could think of as that which had figured in Dick's confession. He seemed to notice my curious glances.

"You have never been in here before," said he. "That is the most interesting place"—pointing to a small door—"would you like to look in? I call it the Experiment Bath."

I said I would; and my heart beat wildly.

"You must let me tie up your mouth and nose then," he said, taking some kind of muffer from a drawer.

I wondered whether this were the place, and whether he was going to show it me out of bravado, or whether he was quite unconscious of my suspicion. I determined to go through with it. I was muffled, and he muffled himself. He opened the door; and I saw a small chamber, filled with purplish vapor, in which a gas jet burned dimly, and with an unwanted tint.

"Enter," said he.

I entered, and he followed.

"This," said he, raising a lid by some arrangement, "is my experiment."

Vapor rose more densely from the vessel, whose outlines I could not discern. I felt stifled; I gasped for breath. I tugged at the muffer; I could not help it. I reeled; I felt his hand on me—whether to snatch or to push me I cannot now say—but I thought then the former; with a violent effort I recovered myself and turned at once to look at him, and saw great heavens!—the very counterpart on the wall behind him of that shadow, with head and hands outstretched, which Dick's delirious figure had cast, only vaguer, because of the vapor!

"What! Again!" I involuntarily cried, and dashed from the chamber.

I had to sit down to recover myself. I trembled violently. I thought, when he undid his muffer, he looked pale, and more open-eyed. Did he suspect now my suspicion?

"It is very risky, you see," he said, calmly enough, but with a very keen look that longed, no doubt, to read me, "very risky to enter my bath!"

I said not a word, but after a moment or two rose with a "Good-night," and went out into the air.

Had he intended to suffocate me? Thinking calmly of the adventure now I do not think so. I think the danger I escaped was altogether owing to my own rashness and folly.

CHAPTER X.

I was scarcely surprised when next day I received a hurried note from Louise. They were all going away at once, she said, all except Mr. Stein-

## EVENTS OF THE DAY

FROM THE FOUR QUARTERS OF THE WORLD.

A Comprehensive Review of the Important Happenings of the Past Week, Presented in a Condensed Form, Which is Most Likely to Prove of Interest to Our Many Readers.

Six lives were lost by a storm at Cincinnati.

A temporary injunction against the beef trust is in force.

Fire at Philadelphia destroyed property valued at 100,000.

An eruption from Mount Pelee caused a panic at Fort de France.

Eighty-two bodies have been recovered from the Fraterville mine, at Coal Creek, Tenn.

Mr. Harriman has announced a reduction to three cents per mile of passenger rates on all his lines in Oregon.

The United States has formally turned over the government of Cuba to the people of that island. Wild enthusiasm prevailed.

The members of the Building Trades Council of Portland, about 2,500 men, are on strike in support of the demands of the Millworkers' union.

The president is about to issue a proclamation creating additions of several million acres to the Yellowstone and Teton forest reserves in Wyoming.

The house has passed the naval appropriation bill.

Lionel E. G. Carden will be the British minister to Havana, Cuba.

In the Goliad, Tex., tornado 98 persons were killed and 103 injured.

A million dollars' worth of sheep and lambs were lost in a Wyoming blizzard.

Two hundred men and boys were killed in a mine disaster in Tennessee.

A hurricane in British India resulted in the loss of many lives and heavy damage to property.

An unsuccessful attempt was made to assassinate the governor of Vilna, Russia, formerly chief of police of St. Petersburg.

Lord Pauncefote's condition remains about the same. He suffers somewhat from the heat, but his condition is reported to be fairly satisfactory.

Alphonso XIII is now king of Spain.

A race riot at Atlanta, Ga., resulted in eight deaths.

Mount Pelee is again active. A new volcano has broken out to the north.

An anarchist plot to take the life of the king of Spain has been discovered.

A tornado swept through Texas, killing 50 people and injuring a hundred more.

A high wind along the California coast did much damage off San Francisco.

United States trade in the far East shows great gains during the past year, being 400 per cent in British India alone.

The Kaiser may come to Washington to the unveiling of the statue of Frederick the Great, which he presented to the United States.

Mount Pelee shows signs of continued activity.

The fetes in honor of King Alfonso's coronation began Saturday at Madrid.

## ROAD TO LEWISTON.

O. R. & N. and Northern Pacific Will Build Joint Line Along Snake River.

Portland, May 22.—At the Arlington Club banquet last night, where President Harriman was the guest of honor, two significant speeches were made.

Mr. Harriman announced that the Lewiston-Riparian road would be constructed and used jointly by the O. R. & N. and the Northern Pacific. President Harriman talked for the rail route to Astoria as preferable to the water route.

Chairman Mears briefly introduced Mr. Harriman, who immediately began to talk railroads.

The railroads, he said, must combine or they can't make money, because greater economies are needed. The producer and transporter must get together. Mr. Harriman deprecated the hostility of the newspaper, and predicted that if man should start out boldly to champion a railroad cause and to make conditions that would enable the transportation lines better to serve the public he would be indorsed by the people.

Then he took up the Clearwater situation in this manner:

"The papers have been demanding the Clearwater line. So Mr. Mellen and I have concluded to give it to you. We will build the Lewiston-Riparian road and use it jointly. Construction work will be taken up as soon as the materials can be assembled for it."

Then Mr. Mellen was introduced. He expressed regret that the Northern Pacific represented what might be termed the back door route to Portland. He said he had preferred the front door, but couldn't have it.

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## NEWS OF THE STATE

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM ALL PARTS OF OREGON.

Commercial and Financial Happenings of Importance—A Brief Review of the Growth and Improvements of the Many Industries Throughout Our Thriving Commonwealth—Latest Market Report.

About 60 teachers attended the Clatsop county teachers' institute in Astoria last week. An interesting meeting was held.

The registration in Clackamas county has reached almost the figures of two years ago and it is expected before the rolls close it will be greater.

A company has been formed at Grants Pass which proposes to furnish electric power and light to all the towns in Josephine county. Applegate falls will be utilized.

Arrangements have been made for the commencement exercises of the Eastern Oregon State Normal School, at Weston, which will be held June 8 to 12. Governor Geer and State Superintendent Ackerman are expected to be present on June 12.

A burglar entered a Junction City saloon and secured \$275. While he was at work, the bartender, who was in the back locking up, came to the front of the building and tried to stop the thief. The latter shot and killed the bartender and then escaped.

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## GEN. CHAFFEE'S RETURN.

Had Satisfactory Interviews With Datto

Manila, May 21.—General Chaffee returned here today from Lake Lanao in the interior of the island of Mindanao. He said he saw several Dattos while there and had most satisfactory interviews with them. Near all the Dattos and especially the surviving sultans claim to entertain friendly feelings toward the United States.

In view of a cablegram which General Chaffee received today from General Davis, who is in command of the American force in Mindanao, and in which it appears that Datto Ruty has apparently refused to return the animals he captured from the American army, General Chaffee is not prepared to say that there will be no more fighting in Mindanao. General Davis reports that Datto Ruty says he is ready to fight, but General Chaffee believes that although it may be necessary to bring this Datto to terms, his resistance of the American forces must necessarily be slight.

Datto Ruty's forts are situated on a high hill. They could be surrounded by a line of skirmishers, who could prevent the Datto from obtaining water and who could thus force a practically bloodless victory in a few days.

THE PHILIPPINE BILL.

Will Take the Whole Time of the Senate This Week.

Washington, May 21.—The entire time of the senate for the present week will be devoted to the consideration of the Philippine government bill, and there are hopes that the debate on that measure will be completed before the end of the week. The fact that there will be an adjournment of the senate covering next Saturday, in order to permit that body to participate in the unveiling of the Rochambeau statue, probably will have the effect of postponing the final vote until the following Monday or Tuesday. There is, however, no longer doubt in any quarter that the minority will permit a vote as soon as the debate on the bill is exhausted. Under the present arrangement the bill will occupy most all the time of the senate this week; the prospect is against the sandwiching in of much other business. Speeches in support of the bill are promised by Senators Burrows, Dolliver and Spooner, and in opposition to it by Senators Hoar, Bacon, Patterson and others.

ENGLAND'S LATE SUMMER.

Rain, Snow and Hail Put a Damper on All Festivities.

London, May 20.—So far as it has progressed in London, rain, snow and hail have been England's harbingers of summer. Never has there been such an inclement spring. Americans who have come over for the coronation sit around in doleful groups, waiting for the sunshine that never comes. Women go to the opera and clubs in furs, and the men have long since reverted to their winter clothes, so prematurely discarded in sunny April. No amount of festivities, and there are plenty of them, can dispel the universal gloom that the awful weather has created. In the northern part of the country there was actually skating this past week, while an automobile trip to Scotland has been abandoned. London itself has been spared this last visitation, but cold northerly winds and perpetual rains fully brought the unsavory weather record of the metropolis up to that of the provinces, when it became slightly warmer.

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## THREE CENTS A MILE.

New Passenger Rate on All the Harriman Lines in Oregon.

Portland, May 22.—Mr. Harriman says that passenger fares on all his lines in Oregon will be reduced to three cents a mile. He also says that the arrangement made between him and President Mellen involves letting the Northern Pacific as well as the O. R. & N., down the Snake river from Lewiston to Wallula, and it gives the O. R. & N. full benefit of the feeders of the Northern Pacific in the Clearwater valley. Speaking of the Columbia valley route to the sea, Mr. Harriman says the only grade in the whole route is the bar at the mouth of the river, and he recommends that Portland give its attention to the problem of removing that grade.

President Mellen says that the Northern Pacific will bring its passenger trains into Portland over the Vancouver bridge as soon as that structure can be completed, in about two years, but the Kalama ferry will continue to transfer freight trains.

Blocking the Canal.

Washington, May 22.—The way the Philippine debate is dragging may mean a very lengthy session. A debate of a month is promised on the canal bill and its opponents hope to have it sidetracked then by the Cuban reciprocity bill, and then to take a month on that. Of course the opponents of the canal bill hope to defeat it in this way, but it is not all certain that they can do so. There will be vigorous resistance to sidetracking the canal bill.

Just why the Philippine debate has been allowed to drag out at such length is hard to understand unless it is that Senator Lodge, who is chairman of the committee on Philippines, rather enjoys the position he holds as leader of the senate, while this bill is under consideration, and because the young members of the committee on Philippines are temporarily the leaders on their side. Of course, Senator Lodge has urged a vote very frequently, but he has not seen fit to take earnest measures, such as a prolonged session, for the purpose of bringing the minority to time and making them finish their speeches. About one speech a day is all that has been made on the Philippine bill.

A Million Roubles Stolen.

London, May 21.—A dispatch from Vienna to a news agency says it is reported from Cracow, Galicia, that a million roubles have been stolen from the headquarters of the general staff there. Two generals and several civil staff officers, says the dispatch, have been arrested.

Lost a Thousand Cattle.

Billings, Mont., May 22.—George Kirby, an extensive cattle grower near here, lost yesterday and today 1,000 head of cattle. The cattle had just arrived from Texas, and were thin and weak from the long trip. They perished as the result of the cold rain. Kirby has several trainloads of Texas cattle now on the trail on their way to a northern range.

(To be continued.)

For Her Special Benefit.

Lady Butler is probably the only English artist for whose sole benefit a cavalry charge was ordered. When she was painting her stirring picture, "Scotland Forever," she one day expressed a regret that she had never seen a body of cavalry in the act of charging, with the result that a general in whose hearing she had spoken, arranged that a charge should take place for her special benefit.—Cassell's Magazine.

Hobbies.

Men who ride hobbies would not be nearly so objectionable if they did not want all the road to themselves.—Town and Country. Canada has a group of young sculptors of whom much is expected. One of them, Hamilton McCarthy, of Ottawa, is making the bronze statue which the government of Nova Scotia will erect in Halifax to commemorate the services of Nova Scotians in the South African war.

Chickens' Tails Twelve Feet Long.

A new breed of chickens just received in New York from China have tails 12 feet long. They are kept in cages, and when they are taken out for exercise, an attendant goes along to hold up the feathers. The hens lay 30 eggs a year, which are hatched by other hens.

Lawyeres Counties in Texas.

There are 40 counties in Texas which have to seek legal advice outside their limits, as they have not a single attorney of their own.