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Orme, and he hoped Andrew Orme | Captain Hallett, his nephew an liked him. The minor operation of which he had spoken was in reality one of extreme delicacy; no bun-gler must attempt it. He intended to keep Orme with him permanently. Facial surgery was not old hand, you might get on better that I expect, and, after all, you fou enough for anyone to state with certainty how well it would last. "I think I should like to see Doctor Walte," Mrs. Radway said. "I will send him in, but I caution you not to let him try any violence with me or endeavor to make Hal

lett an ally. If he disobeys your warning he may be dooming you to a worse danger than he knows." Bettington was in his room. "Mrs. Radway wants you, Every thing has turned out as I wished. She will warn you not to be violent to me; she thinks you are her only ready she believes in you. have no preindices to overcome."

him. He started on his career of deception by smiling at the man be would gladly have strangled.

"It was Mary Unwin who really decided her. I played those two trump cards, Sam and Metzger. Metzger was watching her like a hawk all through the burial service, and she noticed him. Metzgo has been less fortunate than 1; 1 cannot conceal his emotions. I shall seem to avoid you, but will come to your room when dinner

is over."
Never had Bettington experienced the sense of shame so keenly as when he left Clements and entered the library. Evelyn Radway was walking up and down. She crossed quickly to him as he entered and looked into his eyes without speak Then with a little sudder spontaneous gesture she put out her hand to him.

"I believe you are really my friend," she said. 'No one lives who is more anxlous to help you," he answered. Was not this the moment, he wondered, to risk all and tell her on his knowledge of the plot? Then suddenly, he called to mind how ments had used a dictagraph t trap those whom he suspected

ents might be listening n He listened to her description of the interview with the steward. He tried to affect wrath and indig nation, but achieved only inartic-ulate sounds. Clements had been right in assuring him that deception would be easy for the reason Evelyn Radway believed in him. "It's robbery!" he declared. "It's unheard of. Captain Hallett-"

"He must not be told of it," she



Unheard of. Captain Hallett-"

me that. Can't you see the danger of letting him know?" Bettington listened to himself, as to another man and a stranger, as-suring her that he was forced to agree with the wisdom of her

"In view of the sort are," he warned should be very caref a weapon of any so "No. Do you rea"
is danger?"
"I will lend you an

is better to take ever He wondered if his carried to Clements. be construed into me playing false with him intense loathing he believed that, while the crew were under his or ders, the women would be safe, There would be money and fem-inine consolation at the end of the

He looked so lone way that her eyes for gaze. She could not don ing. He loved her. nded by new sens and security.

"I would give my he said in a low to little husky. "No strange my behavior ma ways believe that."

His words went to her heart, She was conscious of a closer comnunion with him than she had be fore experienced. Not for years had she been so physically strength-ened. She felt that but for the interview with Bettington she would have broken down. She knew her-

have broken down. She knew herself for a woman who would never
experience the wholesomeness and
completeness of life, unless she
could love and trust.
"Thank you," she said, in that
low distinct voice which had always charmed him. "I shall not
exactly found you." She hesitated

young Unwin to dinner. Could yo come, too? I know it is asking lot, because the captain is certa

men are unlied against those others." "Fil come gladly," he said, "and if you want me to turn my cheek to Hallett's buffets, I'll do so. If we can pull together there will be four men against almost a dozen." As Bettington went to his or quarters he saw that Hallett w having his dunnage moved into the large room formerly occupied by

Clements. The steward was no to be seen. The captain looked at the ship's doctor with a sneer, "I guess you'll miss your friend."
What personal grudge, Bettingtor
wondered, did this bellicose mar iner bear against him? He had always liked sailors and been liked by them. Hallett was a new type to him, he supposed. Then he re-membered his instructions to enlist

the captain's sympathies. "I may have a more congenial neighbor in you," he said preas-

"Congenial? Me? H-1, no! Hallett flared. "I'm commander here and I'll have those under me keep their places,

"Admirable," Bettington returned "I see no objection to that; but I am not under you, Captain. My duties do not conflict with yours, nor am I here to aid in work-

tions or expect any.

Bettington was irritated by find ing Silvers at his side. Any inter-

ruption at such a time was annoy

ing. "Well?" he said. What i'm. Clements says, will you kind-

'I suppose I had better go," by

said, when the lad was gone.

The name of the steward had

brought a troubled look to Mrs

"Certainly," she cried, "and do not let him think I want to evade

the monetary payment."

Clements was in the room for

that was an excuse. I left you all alone last night, because I hoped

wouldn't have been said had I been

ance which would already have put

"The most important thing is that

"We must arrange some way in which it can be paid through you.

I'd better not be seen near the wire-

Sam looked doubtful when be

not in any condition to monkey with machinery, but I'll see about

bravado, which Graumann, sober

had forgotten his existence.

Hallett grunted in reply. There was no answer to this, CHAPTER VIII Tragedy on the High Seas. N EVER had a day, which was to end in tragedy, dawned more brightly. Evelyn Radway was early

on deck and found Bettington al-ready there. She discovered her-self to be free from much of the "What's happened?" he asked. awkwardness of the day before and greeted the doctor as a friend to

"There's another real gentle-man," he said "I take off my hat to him. Him and the Boss is just playing with you till the time comes to strike."

situation. He could only realize

"The man is talking wildly," Bet-

e and Clements about talk was hat perils Graumann's talk was Hallett yelled.

alongside by noon; that's what I mean. Go below." He advanced threateningly to Clements. Bettington interposed. He tried the calm, Mrs. Radway wants you to know she isn't going to evade paying the conciliatory tone. "That's good," Clements cried.

concillatory tone.

"I shall be cleared of these absurd charges," he began, "but—"

"What charges have I made?"

Hallett snapped, interrupting.

"You can't mean to call in outside aid," Clements said. "Why not?"

"What would people say? You'dheard Clements' instructions.
"Graumann's got at some of the cook's rum," he explained, "and he's in. He understood the danger of the moment too well. "You're right to be angry with this fool's chatter, but what you propose to do is too despotic and arbitrary. You must have Mrs. Radway's au-

down the forecastle to prove his sobriety. It would not take a minute, he declared, to make the nee-

He had the misfortune to meet the captain face to face as be crossed the deck. His unstends step and the odor of rum arrested the skipper's attention.
"You've been drinking, you swine,"

sald Hallett, gripping his arm.
"I'm not too drunk to fix the wire less your fool nephew can't.

Bettington saw that there might be a disagreeable scene. "Go below," he whispered to Mrs Radway, "This may frighten Mary," Graumann laughed aloud. was stricken with amusement think he had for days duped thi detestable commander. It was the wanted everybody to know. It seemed a pity that his victim hould remain in ignorance. He felt gifted above other men with a sense of power. He was too full of rebellion and rum to be cauwith them.

"Then you could have fixed it long ago if you'd wanted to?"
"Any time at all," Graumans boasted, "but I wasn't taking in orders from you. I was obeying the

there?" said Haffett. "Do the rest of you take orders from him?" "All of 'em." said Graumann with a comprehensive gesture "Then you're a clever fellow, reld Hallett with ominous quiet. You're eleverer than I gave you

credit for being, eh?"
"You bet I am," Graumann re torted enthusiastically. Then he torted enthus haritanty. Then he handled along "And you think you're boss here. It's a h-l of a boss you are. You! Huh!"

"If I'm not the boss," Hallett

said, with an air of frank inquiry, "who is?" "You know," Graumann retorted, with sudden suspicion, "you know d-n well who's the real skipper." Sam had rushed down the com-panion and implored Clements' aid. "For G—d's sake," he cried, "come and stop Graumann. He's drunk and spilling things to Hallett," Hallett looked at Clements and

Sam with a frown, "You come at a good time, stewrd." he said grimly.
"For what?" Clements demanded.

Graumann turned at the well-"There's the real captain," he as-erted. "He's the man I take off my hat to."

"He ought to be put in irons," Clements said, looking at the man "He's just babbling "There's a few more particulars

"There's a few more particulars I want from him before that. He thinks I'm not boss aboard the Albatross. Boys," he added, as Bob and Crosby burried toward the group, "you'd better be witness to what's going on. I'm getting the truth out of this drunken dog here at last and it's going to be inter-esting, mighty interesting." Bettington strolled over to the excited men.

Granmann bowed low as he heard the doctor's voice.

"He's one of you, is he?" Hal-lett asked. Graumann was wholly

unconscious of the tenseness of the that he was insulting the man he

tington said, as calmly as he could.
He and Clements alone realized to

Bettington wondered whether he had not some dictographic contriv. spoke. "I mean I'll have a guaboat

"Well, haven't you threatened to put me in Irons?" It will be safe to let them use the wireless. Tell Sam that Graumann

dared not show. He walked up and

Suddenly the sharp biss of the

wireless cut the air. Hallett smiled in triumph, "That settles you birds, I think."
"Sam!" Clements called shrilly,
"Here, Boss," Sam said, mate-

"Let no message be sent. Smash the instrument if necessary."
In a twin'tling Sam had hurled dinself into the wireless room. ssing was stilled. Then the wo lads were thrown violently out. Pob rose instantly, but Crosby Todd lay motionless, Hallett looked rhout him and saw the sin-ister faces of there who made up his crew. They had come upon him unawares. The deck seemed alive

Todd rose painfully from the deck and slood with Bob at the captain's side. These three op-posed the rest. consolous of the bazard which was involved, vel clinging to a hope that authority could quell insurrection.

Bettington stood apart from these two groups. He had seen the com-ing of tragedy when Graumann's drunken babble had turned Hal-lett's justifiable suspicion into certain knowledge. No action or word of his could evert the destiny he feared. He watched the men feared. grouping themselves behind Clements. He could see that they were awaiting his word.

Hallett, obstinate, unseeing and rejudices, showed, in that fearful moment, his quality of courage. Not for a moment was he led too think of compromise. He was cap-tain and would not be a lesser man. "By G-d," he cried, "this is mutiny!"

The spectacle of Clements stirred him into violent action.
"You grinning dock rat," he shouted. "I've got the right sort of medi-cine for mutineers."

With that he pulled a revolver from his left-hand breast pocket and shot the steward through the chest. The little smiling man pitched forward on his face

Leary made a leap at his captain, a belaying pin upraised. But he was not to catch Hallett so



"We're all together." He was in a Leary Fell Across the Body of His mood for boasting.

"He's talked you both into irons,"
Hallett yelled.

Menacing the crowd with the weapon, the three sought the companion, it was Hallett's misfortune, by, wireless for government help,"

The year meaning them.

Menacing them.

Menacing the crowd with the weapon, the three sought the companion, it was Hallett's misfortune, born of his hatted to retreat, that he lineared a few seconds. wireless for government neip.

Do you mean to tell me you he lingered a few seconds too long. It gave Sam time to pull the autonatic from Clements' nocket and fire twice. It was a difficult shot for so short-harreled a weapon, and ttington thought the bullets must ave gone wild. He saw that as Sam leveled the gun, Hallett rec-ognized the danger and turned. "Well, Doc," Sam demanded, when Beltington had knelt by Clements.

"Not a chance," he returned, "He was killed instantly."

reckonings or set a course. When Mrs. Radway at Betting-ton's suggestion went below with Mary, she experienced a sudden

nervousness and uncertainty which she tried to keep from the girl. Very calmly she scated herself at the grand plane and began to play. NOTICE TO CREDITORS

In the County Court of the State of Oregon For Columbia

County. In the matter of the Estate of William Henry Hess, Deceased. Notice is hereby given that pointed administrator of the May 23, 1930. estate of William Henry Hess, deceased, by the County Court istrator of the estate of David or phone 483. of Columbia County, State of Dubendorf, deceased. Oregon, and has duly qualified to act as such. All persons having claims against said estate are hereby notified to present same, with proper vouchers, In the County Court of the of high school. Mrs. Haiman, ½ FOR SALE or TRADE—Apart-from the date of this six months. State of Oregon for Columbia mile east of mile bridge. 403* from the date of this notice to County. the undersigned at his residence In the matter of the Estate of near Vernonia, Ore. Dated and Ira C. Nicholson, deceased. first published May 6th, 1930. Notice is hereby given that Last publication June 6th, 1930. the undersigned has been ap-

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within six months from the date of this notice to the undersign- breeding. J. L. George, 11/2 miles ed at his residence at A street below Mist. in the City of Vernonia, Oregon.

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-if will be all right, she assured Mary. "One of the men drinking, that was al!" "One of the men had been

As she spoke there was sounds of many steps, and men, upon whom the women before had not cast their eyes, came crowd ing one upon the other. Only one looked at them. Mrs. Radway shuddered at his gaze. It was the in-solent scrutiny which she had been subjected at her husband's burial service. Metzger stood there with what he felt was an attitude that must impress them. His eyes blazed with some internal excitement. Sam had told him the fat was in the fire. He took off his cap with a sweep, smiled and passed to the upper deck, "What a horrible man," Mary

what a normore main, Mary walspered as he disappeared. She had never seen such a high color in her companion's check. Then two pistol shots rang out. "Quick," said Mrs. Radway,

they will be coming this way."
Hardly had they crossed to the door leading to the sleeping quarters of the owner and guests, before two more reports were heard. Hastily they closed the steel parti-tion and waited. Steps, hurried steps, were heard and there was a hammering on the door.
"It's Bob's voice," said Mary.
She opened the door and her broth-

er. Crosby Todd and the captain "Mutiny!" said Bob. He felt himself thrill as he uttered the word which on shipboard may have so

sastrous a meaning. Mrs. Radway wondered why the captain made no report to her. Was he the sort of man to be silent in the presence, on his own ship, such dangers as these? And, while the rest were standing, he dropped heavily to a settee in the corridor, There was a terrifying lack of resentment and courage in his face. And as she looked closer, she saw that the ruddy color had faded. She knew in that moment he had been

badly hurt, "Oh, what is it?" she cried, wringing her hands.

"They got me, ma'am," he said slowly. "Two balls in the back and one of 'em pierced a lung." There was blood and froth on his paling lips. He pitched face foremost to

"Doctor Waite must be fetched," Mrs. Radway exclaimed.
"Not him, not him," said Hallett faintly. "He's one of them. God knows I warned you about him, ma'am. Two of a kind, I said, and In a few moments he was dead.

Courageous, faithful and wholly honest, he had done more harm in his dying than in all his life before. Unwittingly he had given his employer and Mary to the mer-cy of those who had not Clements' restraint or calculated humanity. That his aspersions of the sur-geon were semi-delirious ravings induced by old prejudices was Mrs. Radway's simple and unhesitating

She noticed with surprise that Crosby Todd was talking almost angrily to Mary.

"Now," he said bitterly, "per-haps you'll believe I was right. I knew he was not what he pretended to be." "Really, Mr. Todd," Mrs. Radway sald, with a touch of hauteur,

"you must not let this trouble make you unjust." "Unjust!" he cried. "Unjust!
Mrs. Radway, there's no other explanation. Ask Bob, if you won't believe me. Didn't he stand there alone, watching the whole thing as if he'd planned it?"

Mrs. Radway turned to the younger lad. He had never seen her look so sternly. "Well?" she

"It did look that way." Bob stammered. There had been, from his way of thinking, some justification for his friend's outburst. The docwhen the two opposing groups had formed. But he had not joined the

They all started when there was a knock on the door. "Who is it?" Todd called. "Dector Walte." came it

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swer: there was a perceptible hesatten in it.
"Keep out," shouted Todd an-rily. "There's no place for you

Mrs. Radway motioned him to be slient; she unlocked the door.

The doctor was locking at the dark stains on the light-colored carpet. "Who's been hurt?" he de

"Some one's been murdered, Crosby Todd cried angrily, "and you know who did it."

Bettington paid him no atten-ion. He sighed and shook his end. Then he rese slowly. "That's the third to dle in ten "And whose fault is It?" Todd

"What has hoppened?" Mrs. Radway asked anxiously.
"I can hardly tell yet," he said. "But I am affeld there is great danger for us all. Keep this door locked and let none enter. You might see that the windows are

"Are you in danger?" Evelyn Radway asked. There was a look in her eyes which told of anxiety for his safety. "Not yet," he said; "they think I

the hounds and running with the fox is a dangerous game." There was a tenderness in his smile which he had not dared to show Perhans he was aware that this

flaming antigonism of the wireless operator was not to be fought successfully, for he neither spoke to him nor looked in his direction.

But he turned to the younger man.
"Bob," he said gravely, "there are two women for you to protect.
You must take no foolish risks.
Stay here until I come back. Start friend won't do it."

Very cautiously he unlocked the door and left them. For all Bettington knew he was going to his death, and who would there be to look after the four he had just

CHAPTER IX

Bettington States His Terms. N EITHER Metzger nor Sam were on deck. They had retired to They knew that the joint authority they were to exercise would not be disturbed by rivalries. They were not yet assured of the course to be taken. On the table before them they put their revolvers. Not in anticipation of disagreement, but rather lest Hallett might come in

armed and ready.
"I don't like this Andy Orme,"
said Metzger. "I don't like him
any more than you do that young 'Sparks,' who trots around with the girl."

It was curious that in the moment when grave danger seemed to involve them, Metzger thought only of Mrs. Radway. Sam lacked the volatile spirit of his companion. "You'll have time enough for that," Sam said heavily, "That ain't worrying me. What are we going to do now?"

"We can sell this bont," Metzger asserted. "I told the doctor that, but he made excuses. He shall forge her papers. I know where I can find a Portuguese trader who will buy her. He will not give much, but what he gives will only be cut two ways."

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agreeable to Sam. It was the only way out. They continued to dis-cuss the situation. There was Hallett to reckon with and his two ad-herents. They would be varned directly he left the room where he was hidden; there was no danger

to apprehend. (Continued next week)



" Monkey Biz"

Patty Hughes who believes he

should be ably compensated for every effort, may ask St. Peter, "what do I get for the time I put in here?"

> Some would hang the editor for harboring so rank a desire for wishing at times to be frank and express his opinion in the editorial column.

Next to the boy who has just listened to the principal tell that vacation starts tomorrow, who is happier than the man whose wife thinks him a hero after 10 years of married life.

last Saturday lovingly caressed each other, you would have thought they had no intentions of spoiling their features so as to please mother, on Mothers Day.

The soothing syrup gate on M. W. Mumbach, that congenial Ed Holtham takes out a mar-riage license which naturally cause he's lazy or that his brains makes us come to the conclusion are slopping over, but he's a new that he has put his line over so dad, and is attempting to strut.

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