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The Darkest Hour;

Or, The Hope That Still Lived.

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But Christine hesitated.
"To be near you and to hear you speak make it so much harder for me," she mur.

was 30 great lin her eyes deepening, with the trouble in her eyes deepening, she asked him any was and still more any constructions and the were not hurt. He set his lips with the keen disappoint. He was the sum of his his continually and with an extended forgive me! I was to desperate that I felt un-Christian, bitter, vindetive. I was temporarily mad with anger-God forgive me! I was so desperate that I know I should have done my best to kill the man if I had come upon him. You think it was the same man, Christine asked under her breath, still standing, supporting herself by the table. Brian nodded grimly. "I have no doubt of it," he answered her. She uttered a cry.

Then the persecution is growing worse? she exclaimed desper. Lip. The danger is growing more keen and more continual?"

"It seems so, the young preacher returned in a low, quiet voice of suppressed emotion. I wonder why? I have been wondering if it can be because I am on the brink of my life's greatest loy-my marriage with you. Think, Christine, is there any man who has ever loved you with out saying good-bye to you. They wanted me to let them take many gou, without saying good-bye to you. They wanted me to let them take me away from her without seeing you, without saying good-bye to you. They wanted me to let them take to sme that of my without saying good bye to you. They wanted me to let them take to sme that of my without saying god bye to you and your presence should tempt me to feel that the temptation would be great; it is greater to kill the many

CHAPTER XII

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row there'il be another dozen at the business."

Brian Hardy looked at the man with a sudden new light in his eyes and a new armth in his manner.

"She acked you to do this—for my cake?" he cried quickly. "And you and eleven other men volunteered to do it, and have stood out there for hours already on this bitter night? Oh, God bless you all! God steward you all for the goodness and loyalty you have always shown to me! But I cannot have you and the others standout there any longer in the snow and the lay wind. You must come inside the entimeted have is, if you would rather not go back your htmes, which would please me better. In any case, you must have something to eat—semething that will warmyou. Call in the others, and then come back with them yourself, while I see what I can get for you.

But the volunteer guard ventured to demur, looking at him oddly the while.

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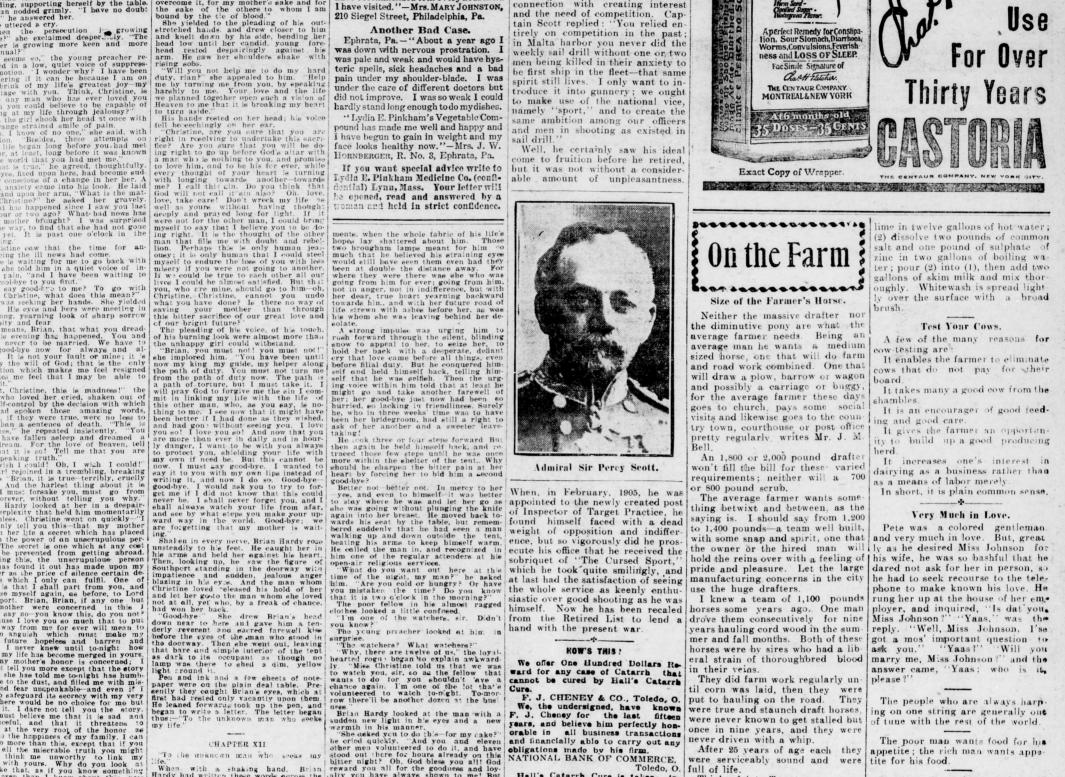
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to the superior marksmanship of the British gunners.

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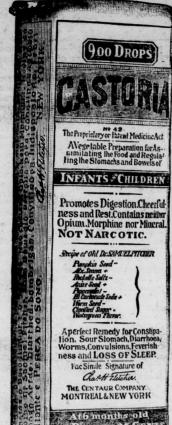
Carrying the Joke Too Far.

maker who had pursued and seized the prisoner)—"What did he say when you caught him?" Witness—"My lord, he says he took the boots in a joke." Judge—"And, pray, boy far was he offshe." how far was he off when you caught yards, please your lordship.
Judge-'I am afraid this I am afraid this is carrying the joke too far." And he con-demned the prisoner.

Got Impatient.

A wealthy and rather autocratic city man went to consult a leading doctor, who asked him a great many questions. The imperious one, who be used either for exterior or inwas not accustomed to be cross-ex- terior surfaces. It can be made by amined, got impatient, and said: slaking about ten pounds of quick-I came here to be cured, not cate- lime in a pail with two-gallons chised." 'Oh," replied the doctor water, covering the pail with cloth coolly: "then you had better go to or burlap, and allowing it to slake When you proposed to Miss Jenkins," asked Jack, "did you tell patients without asking them any

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