

panion during the voyage; he spent

office of the owners of the 'Carricorn'

' Oh, yes; there was a lad name

Ronald Bell on board the ' Capricorn ;

he had come in one of the two b rths

booked by his uncle, Mr. Thompson

but the uncle had lost the vessel-

Geoffrey stared and suppressed a

'And the lad, can you tell me

where he went-what became of him?

The clerk, an obliging young fel-

'The moment our passengers leave

the vessel our responsibility-and I

may say our interest-in them ceas-

'I know all that,' said poor Geof-

- But if you ask me I should say

it's very likely he went off with one

of his fellow-passengers. The purser

'Well, let me see; where's the

passenger list! Ah, here we are!

Now let me think. Yes! I know

the address of one of the passengers

-this one, Mrs. Sefton; she lives at

Brighton, No. 24 Montague Square.

Now, I think it's very likely the boy

It happened to be near the five-o'

clock tea hour, and Mrs. Sefton, the

lady who had been so kind to Cottie.

had just returned from her afternoon

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good. I am strong-er, digestion is bet-ter, and I can walk with ambition. I

have encourage

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was telling me that he was very popu-

in search of information.

low, shook his head.

frey, rather impatiently.

looking boy, wasn't he?'

Geoffrey nodded.

going-

# The Heir?

CHAPTER XXVI. (Concluded.)

HEN, as a last resource, he went to Melbourne. The search, which would have daunted and disheartened most men, only made him more stubborn and determined Find Ronnie he would!

At times the dread that the lad was dead possessed him, and at these times he broke into a cold sweat and shook as men shake with ague.

He reached Melbourne late one night when he and his horse were well-nigh exhausted, and he pulled up at the chief police-station breathless with weariness.

'You want the lad-a boy, with blue eyes and curly hair. That's

funny,' said the superintendent. 'What's funny?' asked Geoffrey, hoarsely. 'Where does the fun come lar with the ladies - awfully good-

'Oh, well,' said the superintendent, we're looking for the same kind of boy. The last time he was seen was with a well-known bushranger, a man called Sheeney.'

Geoffrey shook his head.

'That's not the boy I mean,' he said, helplessly. 'He wouldn't be with a man of that sort.'



The superintendent lifted the lid of his desk and turned over some photographs.

'Is that the boy?' he said, placing a snap-shot before Geoffrey. Geoffrey looked at it and started.

'That is he!' he said. 'Then that is the boy who was with this Sheeney!' said the policeman.

Sheeney had booked a couple of berths on board the 'Capricorn,' for this boy and himself. We'd shadowed Sheeney-he's wanted badlybut he gave us the slip. Both of 'em did; and I fancy the boy got clear Cured by Lydia E. Pink= away on board-'

'What are you talking about?' broke in Geoffrey. ' 'Why should the boy be with him?'

The Superintendent shrugged his shoulders.

'That's for you to explain. If this is the boy, he was with Sheeney right enough. There's the snap-shot.' Geoffrey started up.

When does the next ship start for England?' he exclaimed.

The superintendent smiled at him. 'They'll tell you at the quay,' he families to take it, as it is the best rem said, laconically. 'All I can tell you is that we tracked this man Sheeney to a thieves' hotel here in Melbourne, and then he gave us the slip. Whether the boy was with him-but I say, I think he sailed by the 'Capricorn--' Geoffrey waited for no more. With

big drops of sweat standing on his brow, he strode down to the quay.

'What's the next ship for England?'

'To-morrow, the 'Mermaid,' repli-Geoffrey booked a berth then and

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young and the strong of the other with no success whatever.

her?" she said, when not in the -might hear some tidings of him. most lucid manner Geoffrey began to explain the purport of his visit. "Oh, ough, and so began to torge another rather too good-looking for a boy, Mr. Bell-by the way, I don't observe any, resemblance between you,' Geoffrey grinned.

"No, we're not very much alike,"

he said; but to tell you the truth-He hesitated, for he was on the point of telling her that there was no most of his time sitting in the bow of relationship; but Mrs. Sefton was so the vessel, smoking an lold brin and amused at her uncomplimentary blunstaring at the sea, trying to solve the der that she did not notice his hesitaproblem presented by Ronnie's proceedings-he went straight to the

" )h, he was a most charming boy Such nice manners and so pleasant a smi'e. Yes, we were all very fond of him-we ladies; but for some reason e did not appear to be a favourite with the gentlemen. I'm sure I don't know why, unless it was because they ere rather jealous. The boy was quite irresistable, Mr. Bell, I assure



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"I dare say: I can hard'y believe it," said Geoffrey. "And can you tell me what became of him-where

might have told her where he was he went?" Mrs. Sefton shook her head.

'Thank you very much !' Geoffrey "No; I am sorry to say I canuot: cut in. 'I'm dashed if you aren't Oh, please don't go!" for Geoffrey, the most sensible man I've met durhaving got his answer, with his usual ing the chase I Would you be offend- directness, had risen to depart. ed if I offered you a small nugget - " Please stay and have a cup of teait will make a scarf-pin-Thanks very here it comes. I am quite interested much! Here you are, then; tell 'em | in your search, and so sorry for its ill to mount it in the rough just as it is, success. I can quite sympathise with He went to Brighton, straight as an you. It must be dreadful to lose a arrow from the bow, and presented young boy in England, perhaps in himself at No. 24 Montague Square. London. I really think if you would have a cup of tea and talk it over with me I might be able to help you, ailments. to suggest something. You know two heads are better than one. Do you take sugar ?"

With womanly tact she got him into his seat again and soothed him

They talked for some time, and at last Mrs. Sefton made a practical suggestion - which was a strange thing for a woman to do, when you No matter how remote these germs come to think of it.

'I think we will advertise for him,' 'I should never have thought of

admiringly. 'I'll advertise for him,' said the good-natured lady, much pleased by

boy, they never do- 'who travelled little sore spots, and removes the senby the 'Capricorn' will communicate sitive, tender feeling from the nose with Mrs. S., No. 24 Montague Sq., and throat. Of course the discharge

to his advantage." " Now, how will that do? Directly ested I am in the case, and I shall really be as anxious as you are to see the result of the advertisement. Oh. must you go? Will you come and because the discharge is cleared up.

given me your address !" Geoffrey gave her Bowden's Hotel, and, thanking he very warmly-in his his shyness he held her hand quite a tifully polished hard rubber inhaler long time, so long that he found it and extra supply of liquid, costs \$1.00, it difficult to get rid of it-he took and is guaranteed to cure or your

ly he got back to London he began to ton, Ont.

lunch drive. She regarded the good- prowl about the streets, staring at looking and deeply bronzed young every boy; and this prowling he kept man with a woman's interest in the up for a couple of days and nights,

sex, and Geoffrey, who was rather a Then suddenly, on the fourth day shy man, felt himself at ease with her, he thought of Starborough. It was just possible that Ronnie might have "You are enquiring after your bro- gone on there; and that he-Geoffrey

So he took the train for Starbor ves, I remember him on board the link in the strange chain of events Capricorn.' An awfully nice boy - which wound round his and Cottie's lives.

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