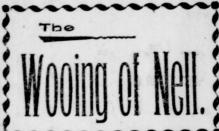
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"Oh, uncle," she cried softly, when tween Crete and Greece. It is to the final loan to meet that would have convinced ther that, whatwould have convinced ther that, whatwould have suspicious might be, his love to the same uncle! What have you been doing to yourself?"

"Oh, uncle," she cried softly, when tween Crete and Greece. It is to the final converge will appeal to the Hellenic race for a great national loan to meet the expenses of the military and naval preparations.

A British ironclad has prevented "Uncle George," said she, in a low,

would have convinced ther that, whatever his suspicions might be, his love for her was as strong as ever, when the sight of a policeman watching them intently froze the words on his lips.

"There's the reason why a can't," answered George Claris hoarsely, after a moment's pause. "Look how you're watched, wherever you go. They won't tet you go away, I expect."

"Nell said nothing, but got out of the adog-cart with compressed the and anxious eyes. Contrary, not only to ther uncle's expectations, but to her own, however, she was allowed to start on her journey without hindrance."

"Oh, we've been pottering along the mothing along much in the same old way," answered the sight of a policeman watching an indifference which he was far from feeling. "Nothing's happened im particular, since Mr. King went back to London. He wanted your address, as I told you in my letters. Why wouldn't you let me give it him?"

"Uncle, I like him too much," answered the girl. "If it had been in the old time, now, he should have had it quickly enough. But until this missure own, however, she was allowed to start on her journey without hindrance."

In the House of Commons Mr. Geo. N. Curzon, Under Foreign Secretary, and naval preparations.

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SECRETARY CURZON'S STATEther uncle's expectations, but to her own, however, she was allowed to start on her journey without hindrance.

When the train had steamed out of the little station the innkeeper turned abruptly and defiantly to the policeman.

The uncle's expectations, but to her own to her own, however, she was allowed to start on the ruin of everything to us all, is cleared up. I'll not let any man I care about involve himself in my disgrace."

"Disgrace, Nell!" echoed Claris, in a development of the ruin own the say that the little station the innkeeper turned abruptly and defiantly to the police.

'Well," said he, roughly, "what do you want?" 'Nothing at present, Mr. Claris," answered the man, "When we do want ng, you know, we can always Whatever he thought of the truth

of this statement, George Claris was prudent enough not to question it. CHAPTER XVIII. In the weeks which followed Nell's departure for London the spirits of her uncle declined day by day, until

the red-faced, genual innkeeper had become little more than the shadow of his former self. He missed his niece more than he would admit even to himself. And al though it was true that his mand had become tainted with suspicion of her truth and honesty, he would have been ready and willing to receive her back, and to forget the doubts which the could not wholly stiffe. But Nell was sharp-sighted enough to understand this state of feeling, as revealed to her unconsciously by her uncle in his letters. So she made excuses for remaining in London, and George

Claris was left lonely.

The innkeeper, although he did not share Clifford's entire confidence in Nell, was grateful to the young bar-rister for it. But hes and that his niece

had returned to the scene of his in-

Hemming was reticent, but gave the Impression that he was more shrongly convinced than ever that he was on the right track as to the perpetrator of the murder and the robberies.

"Well, what are you going to do?"
asked Clifford, impatiently. "Are you going to set another decoy to work?"
Hemming looked at him shrewdly.

"It won't be any use," answered he

ly upon you to do your best."
"And you won't be dissuaded, sir,

from a useless expense?"

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noney. The man staved at the im for several days, boasted openly in the bar of his luck, showed the result of i a lavish "treating," and in the ap-arently careless exhibition of hand-

Hemming had to report to Clifford of without secret triumph, that the wealthy emigrant" had been allowed, after a prolonged stay, to leave the inn without having received a vis-t from the midnight thief. Clifford was much chagrined, although the afected to think that it was only in whom the suspicion of murder now hung, had grown more careful. But when Hemming had left him Clifford began to think out a new coblem which this last occurrence had

presented to him: Was Jem Stickels the thief after all? But then it was certainly not Jem Stickels whose hand he had caught under his pillow. And a shiver passe through the young fellow's frame as h remembered the touch of the smooth skin, of the little slender fingers. It was not until the first day of March, on a blustering, storm norning, that Nell Claris, her resolu

broken down by a pathetic ap George Claris met his niece at the station, and each was shocked at the eemed to have lost half her beauty er cheeks had lost their roundness

and her eyes the look of childlike hap-piness which had been one of her greatest charms.

In his tome the wirl detected all the otions which the story and the rufors about it had set stirring in her uncle's simple mind. She felt keenly the affection, the doubt, the anger, which had tontured him during the ong weeks of the winter. She gave a little sigh, and tucking her hand under his arm, whispered:

"We won't say disgrace, then, but "Aye, that's better, dear."

A MINISTER'S STORY.

The Painful Experience of Rev. C. H. Backhus.

For Five Menths He Was Helpless and Endured Agonizing Pains - Could Neither Rise Up Nor Sit Down Without Aid-He Tells How He Found a Cure.

The Rev. C. H. Backhus is a resident of Bayham township, Elgin counhad forbidden him to divulge her ad-dress, and Mr. King must await the son in the county who is better known Just before Clifford left reluctantly for London, on the completion of his recovery, he had another interview a share of it himself, despite his adrecovery, he had another interview a share of it himself, despite his adwith Detective Hemming, who, after having disappeared for a fortnight, as a few years ago he underwent an illness that many feared would ter-minate his life. To a reporter who recently had a conversation with him the reverend gentleman gave the par-ticulars of his illness and cure, with permission to make the statement pubpermission to make the statement pub-lic. The story as told by Rev. Mr. Backhus is substantially as follows: About three years ago he was taken ill and the doctor who was called in pronounced his trouble an attack of la "It won't be any use," answered he grippe. He did not appear to get any better and a second doctor was called in, but with no more satisfactory results, so far as a renewal of health was concerned. Following the la grippe Clifford controlled the anger he felt, since an exhibition of it would only have closed the detective's lips more closely.

"I would like you to make the experiment, though," said he, "Will you make it, on my account? I want it very well done, no matter what it could hobble but a few steps when very well done, no matter what it could hobble but a few steps when costs." "You're throwing your money away, again. For five months these agonizing sir," replied Hemming civilly. "Still, if you wish it, and choose to pay for it, of course it can be done."

Clifford found a card, and gave it can be done."

Clifford found a card, and gave it can be done." to the detective.

"There is my address," said he.
rely upon you to do your best."

"I had not been taking them long when the longed-for relief was noticed coming. He could move more easily, and the stiffness and pains began to leave his joints. He continued the use of "No." the pills for some time longer and Before they parted Chifford and the the cure was complete. Seeing Mr. detective had arranged between them the details of a little plot, which, Clifford thought, would certainly suffice to less man of those painful days. Mr. excite the appetite of the astute but daring thief who was at the bottom of all the mischief.

Backhus is now past his 80th year, but as he said, 'by the aid of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills I am as well as In the week following Clifford's departure, therefore, there arrived at the Pills I am as well as those ten years younger. You can readily judge of this when I tell you Turkish outposts at Platania. It says that I laid 40 rods of rail fence this year. who gave himself out as a successful emigrant, who had returned to his native land with his pockets full of Dr. Williams' Pink Pills strike at the root of the disease driving it for additional to the powers, which are demanding the

the root of the disease, driving it from the system and restoring the patient to health and strength. In cases of paralysis, spinal troubles, locomotor paralysis, spinal troubles, locomotor rheumatism, erysipataxia, sciatica, rheumatism, erysipelas, scrofulous troubles, etc., these pills are superior to all other treation there. Later, pills are superior to all other treatment. They are also a specific for the troubles which make the lives of so many women a hurden and the lives of so many women a hurden are the lives of so many women a hurden are the lives of so many women a hurden are the lives of so many women as hurden are the lives of so many women many women a burden, and speedily restore the rich glow of health to pale and sallow cheeks. Men broken down by overwork, worry or excesses, will find in Pink Pills a certain cure. Sold by all dealers of sent by mail post-paid, at 50 cents a box, or six boxes for \$2 56, by addressing the Dr. Williams' Medicine Company, Brockville, Ont., or Schenectady, N. Y. Beware of imitations and substitutes alleged to

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In the election, held Friday in the northwest of Cherskey, division of Surrey, for a member of Parliament to succeed C. H. Combe (Con.), Leigh Bennett (Con.) was returned. Bennett (Con.), 4,845; Baker (Lib.), 3,977. Conservative majority 368.

The Cretan Trouble.

Russia Proposes to Expel the election the Conservative was not op-Greek Flotilla and Troops.

Britain Favors Granting Autonomy to Crete.

to Favor the Policy of

A British Ironclad Prevents the

Greeks From Landing Supplies. The English Railway Carriage Murder

a Prominent Topic of Discussion

-General Cable News. London, Feb. 20 .- Dispatches from Canea state that three of the great powers are in favor of a union be-

N. Curzon, Under Foreign Secretary, said that the Porte had not announced any intention to send troops to Crete. The advice of the powers to Turkey was to aostain from precipitate ac-tion. Marines from the foreign warships had occupied Canea, Sitia and Retimo, and it was probable that they

AUTONOMY FOR CRETE.

would soon occupy the other Cretan

Lord Salisbury, Britain's Prime Min-ister, has sent a circular note to the Greece to administer the affairs of as to seeing prisoner and decease the island, is confirmed.

ATTITUDE OF THE POWERS.

Greek dynasty,
A St. Petersburg telegram says: Turkey, she will be left to fight her

battles alone. A CORRESPONDENT'S VIEW Christian uprising among the Moslems | verse to the prisoner. generally, which might be excited by the powers openly despoiling the Sultan of the island. Lord Salisbury, and one or two others of the actors in the asked whether or not they had agreed one or two others of the actors in the piece may be playing with his tongue in his cheek, but the German Emperor is not. He is terribly in earnest. He feels his dignity insulted by the defiance which little Greece flung back in reply to the protest of the powers, and he is stalking from one embassy the corther in Perling seeking consent. Public opinion in France and Italy also is now virtually unanimous in support of King George and his sul jects. It is impossible to believe that Russia, with the strong ties of rela-tionship between the two royal houses, will seriously embarrass or ate Greece. It is admitted on all hands that the present deadlock in

Crete between Greece and the powers cannot continue many days. It is folly to attempt to prophesy which way events will turn. CONDEMNS THE GREEK COM.

London, Feb. 20 .- In its issue this morning, the Times condemns Col. Vassos, the commander of the Greek corps of occupation in Crete, for tak-

General Cable News.

500 Insurgents Killed - Officers and Men of the French Navy on Leave Summoned to Their Vessels - The London Murder Mystery.

A Paris dispatch says! Fifteen nundred students took part tonigh in a philo-Greek procession, which ended in a conflict with the gendarmes. Prof. W. Wallace, M.A., professor of moral philosophy in the University of Oxford, was killed on Friday by a

fall from his bicycle, which fractured his skull. In the election, held Friday in the

A dispatch from Brest says: All of the officers and men of the French navy who are absent on leave from this station have been ordered to rejoin their vessels without delay. The South African inquiry committee appointed by the British Parlia-ment to investigate the Transvaal Three of the Great Powers Said raid, resumed its sessions in Westminster Hall. The Prince of Wales was an Interested attendant. A dispatch from Manilla, Philippine Islands, says: The Spaniards have captured the insurgents' town of Silang by assault, after previously bombarding it. Five hundred in-surgents were killed. There is great

rejoicing here. The railway carriage murder the London suburban train continue to be the chief topic of local interest The young woman whose body was found crowded under the seat in a second-class compartment, was buried Friday, and there was a great pubed Friday, and there was a great pub-lic demonstration. It appears that the murder was committed between Put-ney and Wandsworth station, where the running time of the train was only four minutes. Thomas Stone, rejected lover of Miss Camp, the vi tim, was arrested on the charge of murder. Stone was traced to Hunslow, where the girl took the train on the evening of the tragedy. The police learned that Stone had ascertained only that day that Miss Camp was going to marry his rival, and he had threatened to prevent the marriage. Stone has been able to establish an alibi, and the police released him.

The Hammond Trial

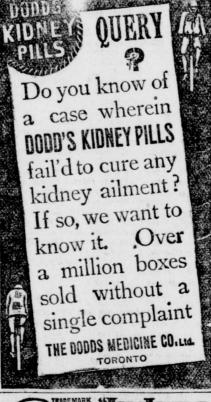
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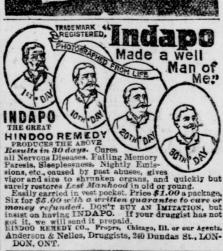
After Considering the Case for Five Hours.

Bracebridge, Ont., Feb. 20.-After Mr. E. F. Johnston, Q.C., counsel for Wm. Hammond, had concluded his address, which lasted from 10 a.m. till 1 p.m., Mr. Osler followed for the A Constantinople telegram says that Lord Salisbury, Britain's Prime Minister, has sent a circular note to the powers, favoring the granting of carefully reviewing all the evidence. contending that the case powers, favoring the granting of carefully reviewing all the evidence autonomy to Crete, with a prince of He said if Rosina Russell's evidence together at about 8 p.m. on the night of the 6th is not believed, the eviden of the crown is very much weakened The Paris Temps says that the pow-ers are resolved to speak firmly to very strong case against the prisoner. the Government at Athers, solely from fidelity to the traditions that France and Great Britain will exhaust all means of conciliation before consenting to other methods, so urgently demanded by the courts allied to the bell he had thrown the bottle o poison away in its original condition The finding and production of th A St. Petersburg telegram says:
Russia, it is said, is prepared to bring about the forcible expulsion of the Greek torpedo flotilla from Cretan waters, the disarmament of the Greek troops in Crete and a blockade of the Greek coasts, if the Hellenic Government persists in its impudent attitude. If Greece goes to war with tude. If Greece goes to war with tude, where the conclusion is almost irresistible that she got the poison in the Hammond house. Prisoner told the Hammond house at the Hammond house are deceased to the Hammond house. The finding and production of the bottle was the best exculpatory evidence that prisoner could get. But he did not get it. If deceased was at the Hammond house at about 8 o'clock, the conclusion is almost irresistible that she got the poison in the Hammond house. Prisoner told the possible of the bottle was the best exculpatory evidence that prisoner could get. But he did not get it. If deceased was at the Hammond house at about 8 o'clock, the conclusion is almost irresistible that she got the poison in the Hammond house. Prisoner told the Hammond house. The poisoner to be possible that the Hammond house at the Hammond house at the Hammond house. The poisoner told the Hammond house are prisoner to be possible to the bottle was the best exculpatory evidence that prisoner could get. But he did not get it. If deceased was at the Hammond house are prisoner to be possible to the bottle was the best exculpatory evidence that prisoner could get. But he did not get it. If deceased was at the Hammond house are prisoner to be possible to the bottle was the best exculpatory evidence that prisoner could get. But he better the bottle was the best exculpatory evidence that prisoner could get. But he better the bottle was the best exculpatory evidence that prisoner could get. But he better the bottle was t said was untrue the case assumes an The London correspondent of a New York paper cables as follows: It is impossible to say positively whether the great drama, which the nations are playing in the east, is tragedy or comedy, melodrama or farce. The number of persons who believe it is the latter are increasing. A general impression is that the powers, or certain of them, have taken over Crete the cocasion, and yet this he knew was occasion, and yet this he knew was untrue. If she took the poison by accident, prisoner was not responsible, but if he supplied the poison he is result in the same occasion, and yet this he knew was untrue. If she took the poison by accident, prisoner was not responsible, but if he supplied the poison he is result in the same occasion, and yet this he knew was untrue. If she took the poison by accident, prisoner was not responsible, but if he supplied the poison he is result in the same occasion, and yet this he knew was untrue. If she took the poison by accident, prisoner was not responsible, but if he supplied the poison he is result in the same occasion, and yet this he knew was untrue. If she took the poison by accident, prisoner was not responsible. Dut if he supplied the poison he is result in the supplied the poison he is result he was not married to her on the same tain of them, have taken over Crete hour and three-quarters, and the ten-for Greece, in order to avoid an anti-

The jury retired at 6 p.m. to consider their verdict, and at 11 o'clock

discharged.





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