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ern." was all he said.

I felt crushed; and it was only later that I found that he meant the remark

sincerely as a compliment.

"Come with me," he went on, and rose. "I will show you your apartments."

Salmon showed me the whole of his house in detail—a strange and beautiful place, cool in the blazing sun, and looked down on, at night, by a

moon of gold.

I was free of his house, he indicated. Servants—slaves, I guessed cated. Servants—slaves, I guessed them to be—would attend to my wants, under the direction of my own drago-man. In the meantime I was invited

man. In the meantime I was invited to repose.

I did repose—for many hours, wakening only to hug myself, from time to time, and gloat gleefully on this bizarre escapade.

Next day I once again joined Salmon at his audience with the local Sheikhs, and there was much coffeedrinking and many exchanges of

Sheikhs, and there was much coffeedrinking and many exchanges of wearisome courtesies. When the Sheikhs had retired, Salmon took me for a ride in the desert, upon magnificent Arab horses. As I watched him flying across the burning sands, I again had a vision of Lombard Street and his top hat. Amazing!

That evening I insisted on broaching, once more, the subject of the Schief railway. I told Salmon that I could not linger. MacBrayne would be wondering what had become of me. Salmon stroked his beard.

At last he spoke. "I will tell you. The railway will be extended to Schief."

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I thanked him for the information, privately made a note of his exact words, and a day later started back for Damascus and London.

"So now you see what converted me to business," said Mitchael.

"Europe," he went on, "is wonderful, and you Europeans don't know it. To put the thing crudely, Europe is stuck on to the East. That's the explanation in a nutshell. The air of the East blows across Europe. The East tinges Europe. You do not see it; I never saw it until then. Salmon opened my eyes. I went back to business a new man. If this was business, it was also poetry; it was art. For it had precisely that quality which I imagined business lacked—it had mystery."

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"What came of the Asia Minor Syn-cate? Was the railway extended to dicate?

Mitchael grinned.

"I think that was what finished my conversion to a life of business," he said. "As soon as I got back to London MacBrayne asked me what Salmon had said; and when I told him, mon had said; and when I told him, he at once wrote a cable to my grandfather. It was a code cable, of course, but the gist of it was this: 'Don't have anything to do with the Asia Minor rail.' And MacBrayne was right. It was never extended to Schief. It never will be."

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"Well," Mitchael demurred, "he had said, in El Alad, what he would never have said in London. He knew that the rail wouldn't reach Schief. Butwell—at El Alad he couldn't say that outright. So he said the opposite. It sounds queer to us, but really it is aboutright. So he said the opposite. It sounds queer to us, but really it is absolutely trite. MacBrayne spotted this. He knew that Salmon would prevaricate, at El Alad; he knew that Salmon was the soul of honour at Bayswater. Oh, MacBrayne converted me to the beauty of our business nearly as much as the journey did. We saved a million or more by not going into the Asia Minor thing."

Explained.—Keeper—"Do you know this water is preserved, sir?"

Angler (of little experience, still awaiting a bite)—"I thought there was ght there was with it!" something the matter

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