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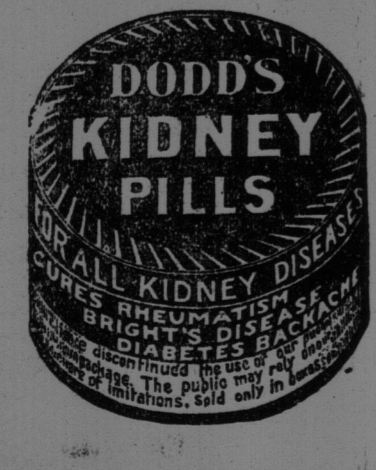
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THE LONELY GUARD, NORMAN INNES,

Author of "The Surge of War" London, England, November, 1902; "The Lone Guard" (Dreadnought) March, 1903.

Continued. A body of the troopers were standing upon the battlements, looking north of the foe, while others were gathered in the north-eastern angle of the court. Their voices surged upwards in a wave of cheering as with caps raised on musket and sabre, they pointed in the direction of the woods upon the right.



THE MODEL THE "JUSTITIA." Russian crowned hat with moderately flaring brim, developed in two shades of burnt straw, fancifully woven.

sudden turn of events. "But I must take the opportunity of informing you, Colonel von Nettern—I spoke loud enough for you to hear—that I am responsible for my command to Her Majesty alone, and ought with every confidence of my position being justified when my despatches are received at the capital."

It was useless to say anything further; and looking for little justice at the hands of this self-styled officer, in silence I waited his pleasure. "And what of the other Captain von Weggen?" demanded the commandant, glancing round upon that length of broken and blood-splashed wall. He was here but a moment since.

Brushing by me without ceremony, he entered foremost, sprang up the stairway and made straight for the Red Hall. As I followed at the Colonel's side—the pace at which we had climbed those many steps had set the man breathing fast—I felt a certain relief, as if I were being rescued from a perilous situation.

For a moment I all but stumbled, in that moment I knew that there was an enemy in Rohm in comparison with whom the Bavarians had been welcome.

"Who art thou?" demanded the elder officer, leaning in his horse with a jerk. "Captain von Leely," I replied, noting the puffed red face and fiercely curled mustaches of the stranger, "of the Hussars of Stegadin in command of this castle of Rohm."

"Then, Captain von Leely," cried the other—she was the commandant of Salzburg, Colonel Gustav zu Nettern as I was shortly to learn—"thou wilt accompany me within, where I am under the necessity of relieving you of your command."

He paused as if he would have me feel the weight of his words, while I stood stunned, all but at a loss to grasp his meaning. Deprived of my command, a command I had received at the hands of the Emperor-Queen, and in the hour of relief—it was too much. As if by waking from an evil dream, I glanced up and kept at my men who had gathered at my back, at a solitary figure who stood watching us from the battlements, at the general who filled the lower court—there must have been nearly three hundred of the white uniforms, my squadron was but five-and-twenty sabres, and not a horse among them.

The harsh voice of von Nettern recalled my wife, he had dismounted and had been giving some orders to his underefficient. "Come, sir," said he, setting his belt about his bulky person. "I would have will by my pleasure to put certain questions to you concerning the hazard in which your negligence has placed this fortress."

"The blood rushed to my cheeks, and the smile on von Weggen's sallow features broadened as he spoke. For a moment it flashed across me to question his authority, to claim that I was directly responsible to Her Majesty for my conduct, and that I could not accept orders unambiguously. But the utility of protest was as evident as the impossibility of calling upon my squadron to back any refusal of obedience on my part. Though aware that wittingly or unwittingly, doubtless on my enemy's initiative, the commandant of Salzburg was expecting his powers, that by the terms of my commission, I, and I alone, was answerable for Rohm and its inhabitants, I knew that any appeal to force, besides being doomed to failure, was mutually and no less.

INCOMPETENCY OR A GRAFT, WHICH?

Serious Charges Made by Major Hodgins of Vancouver in Connection With the G. T. P. Construction.

Vancouver, B.C., April 23.—Alleging broadly that millions of dollars are being wasted or stolen in the construction of the government portion of the Grand Trunk Pacific Railway, Major A. E. Hodgins, C.E., has issued a letter, the object of which is to secure an administrative investigation. Major Hodgins is now a resident of Victoria. He is a son of Judge Hodgins, of Toronto, a Liberal who has recently demanded an investigation from the government of the reasons for his son's removal from office.

The pith of his charges is that the Grand Trunk Pacific people are making no objection, because they merely have to pay the added interest. The following are the salient portions of Major Hodgins' letter: "Changes in the location of the line were made at some points by revision surveys. These improvements of the line and contract over one million dollars. I was able to make these revisions before Mr. McArthur started work in earnest. The root of the trouble between the commission and myself was over classification. They wanted me to be more liberal in classification, to the classification that is allowed to contractors in Quebec. It was suggested that I should ignore the chief engineer and act independently; that the chief engineer liked to be ignored, refused to be considered, and in fact that the smaller ones have made arrangements to use these.

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MONDAY NIGHT'S BALL

Every indication points to success for the ball to be given by the Irish Literary and Benevolent Society in Victoria rink on Monday night next. The interior of the rink, in the hands of the efficient committee in charge of the decorations, has been transformed into a place of festivity, and much originality is shown in the general plan. The floor is so large that both dancing space and a reception room are provided, and spruce trees are used in abundance to enclose the room. This is in the centre of the rink, and all the other floor space will be devoted to dancing.

HALIFAX CUSTOMS MEN LEAVE

On every trip of the Empress steamers to St. John, have come Arthur Lovett, of Halifax, Canadian customs landing waiter and his staff, P. W. Hefferman and A. F. Colwell, and for the last two trips a fourth officer, D. Colophon. They have attended to the examination of the baggage of the first and second class passengers, doing this on the trip round from Halifax and it is understood good results in collection of duty on small goods brought in by passengers have resulted.

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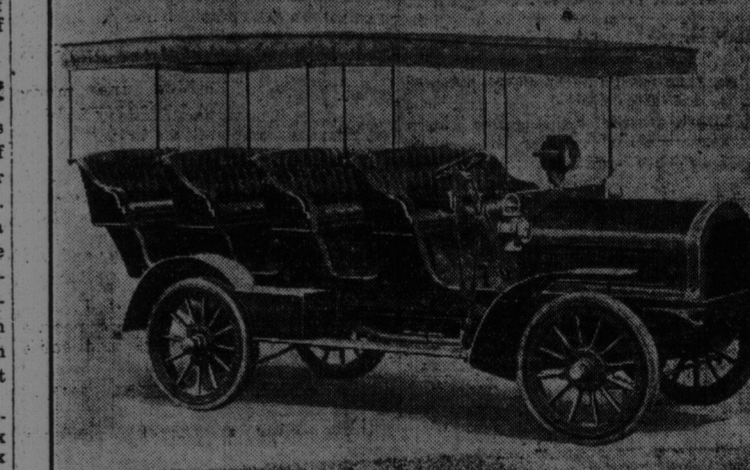
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