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and his only idea was to break entirely

away at the very first chance. Then, just as our tender ran alongside the great liner, and I was occupied with mother and all our belongings, he made one great snatch at his chain. It slipped through my fingers and in an instant he was gone. He ran forward to the bows of the tug, and I could hear him raging furiously along the deck through the throng with loud, quite joyous yelps, as eager as if he was rounding up a flock of scattered sheep on the mountain home of his ancestors.

In the end I saw him crossing the gangway at the fore part-that put down for the second cabin passengers. He was thrusting his way through them noisily, and was one of the earliest at the ladder, which he ran up, to disappear hastily into the big ship.

Directly I had installed mother into a snug place in the music room and set Fanshawe to unpack I made inquiries for the dog.

"Dog, miss?" said a passing steward. "Is he a passenger? Then the butcher will have him safe. If not, guess he is made into sausages by this time, for the chief officer's bound to have him

"I have paid for the dog's ticket, and



When I took him in hand he displayed the rect me to the butcher," I said sharply. "I wish to see that the dog is made comfortable."

"He'll be that, miss, sure enough, if he's peaceably disposed; otherways Sam McKillop has a heavy hand with the rope's end."

Full of misgivings for Roy, whose cross grained nature seemed likely to get him into trouble, I went in all haste to the far stern, picking my way among all sorts of dirt till some one produced Sam McKillop, a big, burly

man, with rough black beard and great. bare, hairy arms.
"That's me. Who wants Sam Mc-

Killop? Will it be you, mem?" "It's about my dog, Mr. McKillop," I said sweetly. "A golden collie; an-

swers to the name of Roy." "I mind him. But did you say you, mem? I was thinking anither person owned him-him as brocht him to me." "I don't know who that could be. But I am in charge of him, and I want you to be kind to him"-I handed over a sovereign-"and to bear with him, for he has a queer temper sometimes.

I hope he will give you no trouble." "Ma certie he'll give no trouble. I'm no' fashed for that. He's douce and quiet eneuch, I'm thinking. Cam' here like a wee lammie trotting at the heels

of the chap that brocht him." "Was it some one who caught him, do you think? I should like to know." "Mayhap. But I thocht he owned him, the beast lippened to him so kindly, and he lay down just at a word, as

though from an old friend." "Found out his mistake like a sensible creature, I suppose, and thought it best to settle down till he found me. Will you take me to see him, Mr. Mc-Killop, please?"

"He's yonder, in the hutch under the bulkhead; snug in his straw, and making the best o't-a lesson to mair con-

trairy Christians." I followed the indication, and there was Roy lying at ease in his rude kennel; his beautiful head rested on his two fore paws, and he looked perfectly contented and happy. At my approach he barely lifted his large, sleepy eyes, but there was something like a wink of recognition in them, accompanied by a rustle in the straw from the wagging of his ponderous tail.

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or was a pleasant surprise. I did not seek to explain it to myself, but speaking a few words of encouragement. I left him. More pressing matters called me aft. The steamer was already beyond the shelter of the land, and the sea had risen under a fast freshening

summer gale. I was not sorry to get back to my berth, and soon had no further concern with mundane affairs, or the passage of time. My only recollections of the next three days are a confused memory of acute discomfort. We were all wretchedly ill-mother, poor dear! Fanshawe, of course, and I, although hitherto I had liked the sea.

My own collapse was, no doubt, the reaction from the keen anxieties that had oppressed me before departure They were as keen as ever now; but when I roused myself from the stupor of seasickness, and crawled up on deck to breathe the magnificent ozonized air of the Atlantic, I felt revived and more fit to face them.

Some one helped me to chair. It was my friend Mr. Rossiter. Some one had placed it in a sheltered corner-Mr. Rossiter. Some one got wraps for me, and a novel, and a deck steward with a cup of invigorating beef tea; this same some one left me in peace to recover health and strengthalways Mr. Rossiter. I blessed the kindly, considerate chivalry of American men.

Now, as I lounged there lazily, I be gan to look into things a little more closely, and to consider how far I had advanced matters or served the cause by this escapade of mine.

I had falled in the very first task I had set myself, that of keeping a watch upon the conspirators. I had seen nothing of them for three days. I knew no more about them than when I had come on board, and I had no clear notion how I should act when I arrived in New York, what would be best, or what would come of anything I did. Despair and despondency selzed me; I felt utterly helpless, useless, and was full of self reproach. Yet daylight was nearer than I thought. I now saw Mr. Rossiter approaching and leading Roy

"Here's some one you may be glad to see," he said pleasantly. "I got leave to give him a short run."

"Your dog? What a handsome creature!" said a lady seated by my side, and, turning, I saw to my surprise it was the Duchess of Tierra Sagrada. Roy, who was a lump of conceit, perfectly understood the compliment. It was one of his well behaved days. He sat there, solemn and self satisfied, giving a paw and doing all his little tricks almost without asking, while the duchess petted and made much of him without the least protest on his part.

Then with a quick motion of not un natural curiosity the duchess looked at his collar. It was no doubt a civil way of finding out who I was, but the result was something of a shock to us both. For when she started back in surprise that had terror in it, I remembered that his collar still bore his master's name and regiment, "Captain W. Wood, -th regiment."

"Who are you? What does this"she began hurriedly, but recovered herself and said, with great self-control: "You know a Captain Wood, then? We have one on board too. I wonder if they are related. You must allow me to introduce you. He is traveling with us."

Before I could answer a man stood over us and a harsh voice called her by name, but in a language I did not understand. She got up with prompt obedience, that I set down to anxiety to tell her husband (of course it was the duke) what she had discovered. But as they walked away together he did all the talking, and from the inflection I felt sure he was taking her sharply to

"Yes, he's rating her soundly," re-marked Mr. Rossiter. "Reckon not many American women would stand that sort of talk from their husbands He's telling her she ought not to have taken up with you-that he had expressly ordered her to make no chance acquaintances. It's a queer game

about that dog." "What do you know about the dog? I asked, quite frightened. "Everything, Miss Fairholme. More than you do, I guess," he said, with

a little laugh. "Who are you?" "A friend. But this is too public a place to talk in. Are you equal to a turn upon the deck? We shall be safe away aft there, and it will be supposed

we are exercising the dog." I went readily enough and was greatly comforted by what I heard. This Mr. Rossiter, who had been so attentive, was an ally and agent of Mr. Snuyzer, who had been deputed to take his place in case he could not go him-

self by our steamer.
"I am one of Saraband's people, too, although not so high in their confidence as Saul J. He is a daisy and has won



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He sat there, solemn and self satisfied, giving a paw and doing all his little tricks. his place by many fine operations. am only beginning, but I hope well Things are moving in the right direction. Before you leave this ship, before many hours pass perhaps, I shall be able to give you some startling sur

I could not find words to thank him and went back to my seat tremulous with excitement, yet patient and contented, willing to trust this new and most unexpected ally.

prises, only you must await the right

CHAPTER IX.

IN' PURSUIT-MR. SNUYZER CONTINUES HIS STATEMENT TO MESSRS, SARA-

I left Hill street in pretty good humor, for Miss Frida Fairholme gave me a draft on account which might have won me from your employment if she wanted my services. Then I went home, and, having warned Joe Vialls to be in readiness to accompany me, I waited for my last orders. I had been told I was to be associated with a British officer, a friend of the captain's, and that he would join me right away, so we might take the cars at once for Plymouth. But my gentleman never appeared till any bopr, and when he did appear he showed up as a highfalutin jack-a-dandy whom I thought no better than a dude. But I was wrong there, and I will say at once that I cottoned to him some before

we parted. My instructions came in a letter. It was addressed to me, indorsed "immediate," in an envelope marked "On Her Majesty's Service," which I am not, as you know, and don't want to be, being a freeborn loyal subject of Uncle Sam. The letter inside was headed with the royal arms and signed "Charles Collingham, major general." It was to inform me that the steam tug Jacob Silverton had been secured for a particular business, and would be found same night lying at the Plymouth pierhead, with fires banked, ready to go to sea at a moment's notice.

The letter went on: I understand from Lloyds, and it has been cal-culated from the admiralty charts as the basis of her speed and the progress she has made, that the yacht Fleur-de-Lis should be abreast of the the yacht Fleur-de-Lis should be abreast of the Lizard about dawn or, say, \$2.30 to 4 a. m. to-morrow. If the tug leaves Plymouth before midnight, she can gain such a position by daybreak as to meet the Fleur-de-Lis and cross her course. If you do not sight her at once, you must lie to, waiting, for she cannot well have passed.

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