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Barlasch of the Guard

By HENRY SETON MERRIMAN

(Continued.)
 And giving a hoarse laugh, he lifted a board in the floor, beneath which he hoarded his stores.
 "Will you cook your dinner yourself?" asked Desires. "I have something else for my father."
 "And what have you?" asked Barlasch, curiously. "You are not keeping anything hidden from me?"
 "No," answered Desires, with a laugh at the sternness of his face. "I will give him a piece of the ham which was left over from last night."
 "Left over?" echoed Barlasch, going close to her and looking up into her face, for she was two inches taller than he. "Left over? Then you did not eat your supper last night?"
 "Neither did you eat yours, for it was under the floor."
 Barlasch turned away, with a gesture of despair. He sat down in the high armchair that stood on the hearth, and tapped on the floor with one foot, in pessimistic thought.
 "Ah! the women, the women," he muttered, looking into the smouldering fire. "Lies—all lies. You said that your supper was very nice," he shouted at her, over his shoulder.
 "So it was," answered she, gaily, "so it is still."
 Barlasch did not rise to her lighter humor. He sat in reflection for some minutes. Then his thoughts took their usual form of a muttered aside.
 "It is a case of compromise. Always like that. The good God had to compromise with the first woman he created almost at once. And men have done it ever since—and have never had the best of it. See here," he said, aloud, turning to Desires, "I will make a bargain with you. I will eat my last night's supper, here at this table, now, if you will eat yours."
 "Are you hungry?" asked Barlasch, when the scanty meal was set out before him.
 "Yes."
 "He is hungry," he said, "if there is a man in the world who is not without a certain air of festivity, though it consisted of nothing better than two ounces of home and half an ounce of ham, eaten in company of that rye-bread made with one-third part of silver which Rapp allowed the citizens to buy."
 For Rapp had first tamed his army, and was now taming the Danzigers. He had effected discipline in his own camp by getting his regiments into shape, by establishing hospitals—which were immediately filled—and by protecting the citizens from the depredations of the starving fugitives who had been poured pell-mell into the town.
 Then he turned his attention to the Danzigers, who were openly or secretly opposed to him. He seized their churches and turned them into stores; he closed the schools; he closed the hospitals; he broke into their cellars and took the wine for the sick. Their store-houses he placed under the strictest guard, and no man could claim possession of his own goods.
 "We are," he said, in effect, with that grim Alsatian humor which the Prussians were slow to understand, "we are an united family in a narrow house, and it is I who keep the store-room key."
 Barlasch had proved to be no false prophet. His secret store was the key to the vigilance of the picket whom he himself conducted to the cellars in the Franzens-gasse. Although he was sparing enough he could always provide Desires with anything for which she expressed a wish, and even furnished those which she left unspoken. In return, he looked for absolute obedience, and, after their frugal breakfast, he took her to task for depriving herself of each food as they could afford.
 "See you," he said, "a siege is a question of the stomach. It is not the Russians we have to fight; for they will not fight. They sit outside and wait for us to die of cold, of starvation, of typhus. And we are obliging them at the rate of two hundred a day. Yes, each day Rapp

mail-cart had been turned back by the first of the Cossacks on the night of the seventh of January.
 Perhaps Sebastian had that most fatal of maladies—to which nearly all men come at last—weariness of life.
 "Why don't you fortify yourself and laugh at fortune?" asked Barlasch, twenty years his senior, as he stood sturdily in his stocking feet at the sick man's bedside.

To Be Continued.
 THEY SCORN FIGURES
 Popular Suspicion Concerning Poets and Literary Men.

Common, ordinary people like poets and literary men are generally supposed to have a fine scorn toward anything even remotely connected with figures. When they were young, they had a constant quarrel against the multiplication table, vulgar fractions were too strong for their refined taste, and when they grew up and went to university the intricacies of the Binomial Theorem drove them dangerously close to suicide. Yet there is often a keen delight to one firm in Toronto during the past few days, in manner following, that is to say, as the lawyers put it, a Goulary piano, No. 1,000 arrived from the factory at the Toronto warehouse of Messrs. Goulary, Winter & Leeming. This means that in slightly over two years nearly one thousand Goularys have been sold—a record that speaks very highly for the quality of the instrument as well as for the desire of Canadians to have the best of everything, no matter what the cost may be. The Goulary is expensive, and no wonder. Nothing but the very choicest material is used in the construction, the greatest care is taken in the assembling of the parts and everything possible is done to make the instrument not only beautiful and satisfying but durable as well. The tone of the Goulary is the same of mellowness and sonority, its scale is admirably balanced, its touch is easy and sympathetic, and it is no wonder, therefore, that the piano has aroused the enthusiasm of purchasers in every part of the country and has brought orders in so rapidly, that throughout the autumn the factory has been many instruments behind the demand. Nothing but the highest merit would occasion this demand, especially when the piano has been in constant competition with other high-grade instruments bearing a name of many years' standing. It is for this reason that the firm of Goulary, Winter & Leeming are wearing expansive smiles at this happy season.

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