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titled to act."

and several bolts.

I inquire"-

dress."

"In Spain?"

strict against dogs."

walked away.

yesterday for Spain."

go too."

back of the house so as to verify the

mews and the situation exactly. When

they joined us at the entrance of the

gardens, Colonel Bannister, who now

took the lead, dismissed the cabs and

"We can't all go up to the house. It

might create a scandal. The whole thing may be a mistake. I'll take this

lad first. He may perhaps identify

somebody, and then we shall be en-

"And me, please," I added. "Oh,

yes, indeed, Colonel Bannister, I shall

He shrugged his shoulders, and we

three, with Roy close at my heels, soon

stood on the doorstep of No. 7. The house was all shut up, the chain was

on the door, and we waited a long time

while some one inside fumbled with it

"Well, what is it?" asked an old man

who at last opened the door, but held

it ajar. He was of very respectable

appearance, with white hair under a

black skullcap, and wore a decent blue

and white striped jacket, the type of

an old servant in a good family. "May

"We wish to see your master," said

the colonel promptly.
"I am afraid that is impossible, sir,"

replied the man civilly. "The family have gone out of town. The duke left

"The Duke of Tierra Sagrada. He

is my master, sir. If you will leave

your card I will see that it is sent on

to him, or any letter. I have his ad-

"Certainly, sir. Casa Huerta Her-

mosa, St. Sebastian. They have gone

to the seaside. No, please"-this was

to me, for I was quietly trying to get

Roy past him into the house-"that

dog mustn't come in. My orders are

"Call him back, Miss Fairholme, at

once," said the colonel in a tone which

I resented, but he cut me quite short.

"This farce has gone far enough. I

wash my hands of it. Good night"-

this to the old manservant as we

guided by me, Miss Fairholme, you

will do the same. It's all humbug

from first to last, I give you my word.

I do not believe one syllable of this sto-

ry, except perhaps about the papers,

and even then I am not quite satisfied,

for they were sent to Captain Wood

in the dispatch box. That we know"-

quest," I said hurriedly.

"But not at Captain Wood's re-

"His man thinks not, and I admit

the box was not specifically mentioned

in the letter, but the letter said papers,

and the expression was seemingly one

that Wood used, for the man, as a mat-

"Just this, that Captain Wood in-tended to keep out of the way-for rea-

sons I do not presume to conjecture-

and while out of the way to go on with

his work. He'll turn up in good time,

take my word for it, and will give his

own explanation of his absence. It

may not be absolutely satisfactory, his

excuse may be bad, but he will make

one, and you will have to take it or

leave it," were the cypical police colo-

I hated and loathed him for taking

this view, and I turned my back on

him. Sir Charles did not console me,

for he was thinking more about the

official papers than Willie's disappear-

"By the Lord Harry, we shall be in

Queer street if they don't turn up," he

said with much emphasis. "Wood or

no Wood, we've got to get them, or

there will be a jolly row; a cabinet question, egad, and the devil's own complications. The matter can't rest here. So cheef up. Miss Frida. We'll

"Why, certainly." added Snuyzer,

"we don't depend entirely on police

colonels, and this one is not so al-

mighty clever. I've got to get on the

inside track of this business, and I'll

do it yet, you bet your bottom dollar."
It was kind of them, but I would not

be consoled. When I got to Hill street,

I crept up to my room, very sorrowful

and sick at heart, and cried myself to

Next morning while I was dress

they came and told me that Mr. Snuy-

zer had called. He had something im

portant to tell me, and was rather in a

"Captain Wood's not in that house,

began the American abruptly, when

"How do you know? Why are you

"Haven't the smallest doubt of it.

I know, because I went right through the house last night, every single

"No, miss; I broke in-burglary you call it in this country, I believe, and

you may give me into custody if you

good enough to break the law on an oc-

TO be Continued

please. But the detective that's not

"What! Did they let you in?"

nel's last words.

all do our level best."

I got down stairs.

so sure?" I asked.

ter of course, sent the dispatch box."

"But what do you imply?"

"And if you will be

said in his brief, ordering sort of way:

"Who sent you?' asked the dona directly he'd gone. 'Do you come from his friends?' She nudged the bundle alongside. 'Do you know Captain

Wood? "Ha, you see!" interposed the American. "You bet that was our man hid up among those rugs."

The others were compelled now to admit the fact, and they did so ungrudgingly. As for me, my heart was beating fast, for I felt that at last I had come upon the track of my love. "What did you tell her? Go on, my

good boy," I said breathlessly. "You see, miss, I'd never heard tell of no captain, but I wouldn't let on," Joe continued. "The boss 'ere had only told me to watch, saying it was a cross job, but he mentioned no names. So I ups and asks, 'Is that Mr. Wood?' and I could 'a' sworn that the bundle moved, and there was struggling like in-

side." "Gagged, of course," put in the Amer-

ican. Joe went on. "'Anyway, I am his friend,' she says. 'I don't mean he shall come to harm. And I want him'-the bundle moved again-'him and others to know that, and I'd like you to tell 'em so when you get out of this mess.' 'When'll that be?' I asks, a little bit on the hump, you know. 'Now, if you're game to hop out, I'm not a-going to stop you,' and she was for turning of the handle then and there.

"But I considered a bit, and the thought came in my head that now I'd got 'ere I had ought to stick 'ere. There was the gentleman opposite me-as I judged-and if I was to do any service to him 'twasn't by cutting away. I'd got to see the thing right throughwhere they took him, what they did to

him, who and what they were." "You're a brave lad," I said, stretchand shaking hands with him Peninsular Lodge A. O. U. W. will and indeed I should have liked to hug

"Thank you kindly, miss," he answered shyly, and went on. "The only way out of it was to say I was afeard a-watching me, I says, and a lot more. Then the carriage settled it by turning into some yard, a private place it looked like, but they gave me no time to spy, for the feller from the box came down directly we stopped and had me out in a jiffy.

"''Ere,' he says, 'we've got first to do with you. Lay hold on him.' Then two other chaps grabs me by the arms and rushes me head down, jam, ram straight into a dark hole that smelled of moldy straw and garbage-some sort of cellar-where they locked a door on me, and I was laid up in limbo like a rat in a trap.

"It took me half an hour or so to shake myself together. First thing that gave me heart was a streak of daylight up atop of the calaboose, and when I struck a match I found it comed through an old iron grating, which I soon overhauled. 'Tworn't set so tight that I couldn't soon loosen a brick, although I tore my hands a bit before I got the thing right out. Then I'd a job to lift myself up by my arms, but I'm strong in the arms, and by and by I scrambled through that gratingthat's what tore my clothes-and out on to the yard above. It was the one as we'd druy into-a stable yard at the back of a tall house all shut up, windows shuttered, blinds down. No one at home, you'd say. The stables was empty-no horses, helpers, no traps. I couldn't find that the stables joined on to the house neither, but I judged it was better not to hang about too long or they'd be copping me again. So I makes for the yard doors. They was only barred on the inside, and got out right enough into the back lane. That's about all. I comed on then straight to you, sir, to make my

report." "You were in a monstrous hurry," said Colonel Bannister. "Why didn't you mark down the house, the neighborhood, the exact spot?"

Mr. Snuyzer took his part. "Joe knows his business; yes, sir, as well as the best professionals. Tell us,

"The stables was in Featherstone news, No. 7. To make sure I chalked something on the doors. The stables was at the back of Featherstone Gardens and belonged, I should say, to

In a few minutes more we had started in cabs-I in a hansom with Sir Charles-straight for Featherstone Gardens. Roy came with us. We were the first to arrive, but the others had gone round, escorted by Joe, to the

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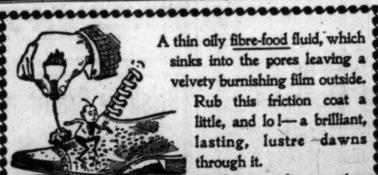
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