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CHAPTER XXIV.-Co.

"Go on," said Maurice q
"Bractly," said Mr. Blade
never tired of hearing his
"You want to slope from
that's what's the matter
Well, you can't do it on
hook no more nor a baby.
you, or, rather, ought to
'Bill, my philanthropic pip
your figer for restoring a
to his family?"
"What will I guarantee
"Murice interrogatively.
"Now, really," said Mr.
precatingly, and shaking,
"this ain't business, you kn

for business," replied "Just you sum up what 's to lodge in the hands of a at the 'Cock and Compastreet, Drury lane, befor finger. I feel pretty ripe out myself, and I've got of the tackel needful; but yet, and shan't be probaother fortnight. If you my while, we'll go."

"What will make it while?" asked Maurice. "It the think it over a the two paced round and silence.

"Listen, now," said blad "Remember, I shall run a in trying to take a greenhout with me. All the work to be done by me, becaus holding the candle will be much as you're good for we must go by night. You won't flinch?" he exclaime taying his companion stra

face.
"Try me," replied Maurand his blue eyes met the Blades undauntedly.
"You'll do," replied the don't often make a mista fellow. You may be clum won't funk. Now," he con have two hundred lodged before I start, and know And you shall sign a pront o pay two hundred mormonth, if you get clean off o?"

"What are you grinning Blades testily. "Is it too ild don't do it cheaper,

"No, I am laughing at your count you of business. What do you convict's promissory not

"Well, I mean some shall sign ft" replied somewhat chapfallen at

thing till I have commit my friends," said Mauric

more within a more, my escape."

Blades nodded.

"Very well. You say ready yet. Continue your and think how you me

found'
"Look here," replied "you speak like a get made no haggling abo

The put it up pretty stiff and do go, I'll play on the you. I'll not cramp your hampering you with me. hand."

little magniloquent, we

but of amateur assistance had the most supreme cludged, in the few min had for reflection, the soo disembarrass himself of the better would be his o escape. And with an assubundred pounds awaiting don, Mr. Blades felt the would be bitter indeed. aware that no one as yet

aware that no one as clear away from Por he argued, no one of his had ever tried. Mere

but of amateur assistan

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tempt. As for that secondred, well, he never expe any of that, but it was to put it in the bond. Had he dreamt what vas to receive from the what skilled hands conducted he would pro made it a sine qua non the share his fortunes. Note. Since this story we have been informed that a actually succeed in making go from Portland. He was of at of mind, and returned his carefully done up in brown Governor, about a year afterwintimation that he had no further than the story of the stor CHAPTER XXV The Maid of the I

The plot thickens; we the denouement of the dra has formally requested per retire from the army. T retire from the army. The letter from his colonel begin think over it again, he libriefly but courteously, the was thoroughly made upas he regretted leaving the circumstance. while this chief in reply.

well, Elleton, how sorry
be to lose you. If I thou
money difficulty, I'd say
with me at all events, be
cide, but I feel that it is Anyhow, you will come d good-bye, and shake han

It cost Dainty a pang to letter. It was so like the fr old soldier who penned it Dainty had always been a nel to put his horses up

Most men feel a pang ab wost men feel a pang ab their old regiment. It is a say adieu to those with have been illying for years footing of a brother in the camaraderic that I verily unknown. think that you will ne