

THE HELMET OF NAVARRE

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(Continued.) "Bravo, Felix! I am proud of you. That is an idea worthy of Caesar! You would set your enemies to exterminate each other. And I asked you to be my ally!" "Which do you wish to see slain?" demanded the black Neveca. "I answered quite truthfully: 'Monsieur, I shall be pleased either way.' I know not how he related the answer, for Yeuzeur's brow did not relax. 'Bravo, Felix, you are a paragon! I have not yet seen a man so simple as you are, or so deep as you are, but I love you.' 'Monsieur,' I answered, as I think, very nearly, 'I am a well, truth lies at the bottom.' 'Well, Gervais,' demanded Yeuzeur, 'Gervais lent his lowering brow on his cousin.' 'Do you say true?' 'Aye, I would swear to it. For never yet did villain turn honest, nor honest man false, in one short hour. When he was about to serve against the duke he showed his stuff. He was no traitor; he was no coward; he was no liar. I think he is not these things now.' 'Gervais was still doubtful. 'What is his risk, if he betrays?' 'What is his risk without?' cried Yeuzeur. 'I thought you too good a soldier, Gervais, to falter before a risk.' 'Well,' Gervais consented, 'I leave it to you. Do as you like.' Yeuzeur said at once to me: 'This Lucas, as I told you, is too covetous to meet any cousin in open fight. Since he got the challenge he has never stuck his nose out of doors without two or three of the duke's guards about him. Therefore we have the right to get at him as we can. We have paid a man in the house to tell of his movements. He is to come secretly at night on a mission for M. de Duc, with one comrade only. M. Gervais and I will intercept that little party.' 'Very good, monsieur. And if?' 'You will meet our spy and learn the name of the expedition. Last night, when the soldiers of the duke, as had not been decided.' 'Then will the other man I saw in the window? I shall know him.' 'You have sharp eyes and a sharp brain, youngster. But he will not know you. Therefore you can say you come from the shattered house in the Rue Compegrais. You will meet him in the little alley to the north of the Hotel St. Quentin. Do you know your way to the front? Well, then, you are to go down the passageway between the house and M. de Portreux's garden—you cannot mistake it, for on two sides of the house is the street, on the third the garden, and on the fourth the alleyway. Half-way down the alley is an arch with a small door. In that arch our man, Louis Martin, will meet you. Do you understand?' I repeated the directions. 'You have learned my lesson. You will ask him the hour—only that.' 'And you will take oath not to betray us?' 'I command you that hang on my rear. I was ready to swear. Gervais prompted: 'I swear to go and come straight, and speak no word to any but Martin.' 'With all solemnity I swore it on my cross.' 'That oath will be kept,' said Yeuzeur. He held out a sudden hand for the cross, which I gave him unhesitatingly. 'I swear that we mean no harm whatsoever to the Duke of St. Quentin.' He kissed the cross and flung the chain back over my neck. 'At last I saw the door unlocked. Yeuzeur's eyes returned to his knife. 'Aa now, monsieur.' 'Gervais, sullen to the last, vouchsafed no answer, but Yeuzeur called out cheerily: 'CHAPTER VII. 'Matters of life and death. 'The life of a man is so sweet as freedom after captivity, safety after danger. When I gained the open street once more and breathed the open air, no one molesting me, I could have sung for joy. I fairly hugged myself for my deliverance in getting out of my plight. As for the combat I was suffering, my only doubt about that was lest the skilful Lucas should not prove good sword enough to give trouble to M. Gervais. It was very far from my wish that he should be the cause of the attempt—murther. 'As I went along and had more time to ponder the matter, other doubts forced themselves into my reluctant mind. But as I pleased, the affair smacked too much of secrecy to be quite savory. It was curious, to say the least, that a knight encounter should require so much plotting. Also, Lucas, covered and veiled though he might be, was Monsieur's man. 'I had a hand on my shoulder and made me bend to him, and even then spoke so low I could scarce catch the words. 'They have faced positively on to-night. They will leave by this door and take the route I described last night to M. Gervais. They will start as soon as the streets are quiet, sometime between ten and eleven. They must allow an hour to reach the gate, and the man goes off at twelve. In all likelihood they will not get out before quarter of eleven; M. de Duc does not care to be recognized. 'So they planned to kill Lucas at Monsieur's side? Yeuzeur had not dared to tell me that. But he had looked me straight in the face and sworn on the cross no harm was meant to M. de Duc. Nevertheless, the thing looked ugly. My heart leaped up at the next word. 'Vigo!' 'Vigo!' 'Vigo!' (To be continued.)

A FREAK BUILDING FOR WALL STREET

New York, May 8.—About the "chimerical" piece of architecture in the country will be the building now in process of construction on the corner of Broadway and Wall street, New York. It will run eighteen stories into the air, while its site is only thirty-nine by twenty-nine feet. Since last, May 7, "Number One Wall Street Corporation" organized here to erect an office-building on the site which has been styled the most valuable piece of real estate in the world, and which cost \$700,000, has decided on the design of the eighteen story structure that will be constructed across Broadway from famous Trinity church, New York. The "corporation" is made up of fifteen St. Louis men, whose names have not yet been made public. The Mercantile Trust Company, of this city, handled the entire transaction, and the work will be done by the Westlake Construction Company, a St. Louis firm. To utilize every inch of the valuable space has been made a matter of minute calculation. The cost of the building will be \$300,000. The building will be an innovation in the line of office structures. Three high power elevators will be in operation. The elevator shafts will be enclosed, so that passengers will not be disturbed on the privacy of office as they pass up or down the elevators. Each floor will consist of one office, into which the elevator will open directly. The building will be fireproof in every particular. It will be of steel construction, covered with tiling. The bracing of the building against the wind has been the subject of much study on the part of the architect, Messrs. Barney Haynes & Barnes. The base is only 30x30 feet, and the height is over 200 feet. The interior, including the doors and windows, will be of the best quality of material. There will be no attempt at ornamentation. The Westlake Construction Company expects to have the building erected in New York city on business in connection with the new structure. Proposed Building to be Erected at Nol Wall Street

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SPEAKER READS THE RIOT ACT IN PARLIAMENT

Ottawa, May 10.—(Special)—There was a strengthening of some kind in the proceedings of last night, when the house met today. In the first place, Mr. Speaker announced that he was convinced now that the language used by Mr. Ingram to Mr. MacPherson, the two in the Rue Compegrais, was unparliamentary, at the time, he thought Mr. Ingram was wrong on what was unparliamentary, but the remarks were couched in such unparliamentary terms, he had difficulty in deciding whether or not to call him to order. 'It is my duty,' said Mr. Speaker, 'to preserve the decorum of debate in the house and I have thought it well to make this statement in fairness to the member who was offended against, and at the same time to impress upon members that language such as was used in this instance, must not be considered and will not be treated as a precedent, but will in future meet with interference from the chair. 'Mr. Ingram used the word "perjure" in referring to Mr. MacPherson, and would use the word "untrue," which would comply with the rules of the house. Outside the house, Mr. Ingram said that Mr. MacPherson had used the word "perjure" in referring to Mr. Ingram. 'Dr. Stockton gave the following as those that would compose the committee, to enquire into patent medicines: Templeman, O'Brien, McLean, Boyle, Bellows, Sproule, Lennox and Stockton. 'Mr. Fielding introduced a bill making the next fiscal year terminate on March 31 instead of June 30. 'one to boundary line and another to the fifth terminal of the G. T. P. 'The general clause for construction of other branches was also struck out. A clause allowing the company to build from Winnipeg to the boundary is to be made more definite by confining it to 23 miles on either side of the Red River and connect with other lines to the south. As it was near 1 o'clock the bill was left over until Tuesday next. 'The general impression here is that the G. T. P. had to drop their branches because Maritime Province members were opposed to competition they would give to the I. C. R. over the same route. 'It is understood that the dominion government is making further enquiry at Washington to see what disposal can be made of the \$100,000 grant to the San Francisco sufferers. 'Lord Grey received today the following telegram dated Montreal, May 9, from Prince Arthur: 'Many thanks for your kind telegram. Have had a most pleasant visit here and am very sorry that my visit is ended.' (Signed) "ARTHUR."

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WILL BUILD NO BRANCHES TO ST. JOHN OR HALIFAX

Ottawa, May 10.—(Special)—When the bill to incorporate the Grand Trunk Pacific branch lines company came up for consideration at the railway committee today, Mr. Johnston (Cape Breton) suggested that the bill be still held over for further consideration. It was true that it was before the committee for some time but it was an important measure and ought not to go through in its present shape. 'Mr. Crawford (Portage) who had charge of the bill said that he wanted to propose to competition they would give to the I. C. R. over the same route. 'In the first place it was intended to drop the eastern branches. They were from Moncton to Halifax and from a point on the Transcontinental to St. John. The proposition to build from north-east of Fort William to a junction with the G. T. P. north of Toronto, with a right to pass through or reach by spur line South St. Mary or Sudbury, was also struck out. The branch from Calgary to the fourth terminal of the G. T. P. was struck out. This left two branches from Calgary, one to boundary line and another to the fifth terminal of the G. T. P. 'The general clause for construction of other branches was also struck out. A clause allowing the company to build from Winnipeg to the boundary is to be made more definite by confining it to 23 miles on either side of the Red River and connect with other lines to the south. As it was near 1 o'clock the bill was left over until Tuesday next. 'The general impression here is that the G. T. P. had to drop their branches because Maritime Province members were opposed to competition they would give to the I. C. R. over the same route. 'It is understood that the dominion government is making further enquiry at Washington to see what disposal can be made of the \$100,000 grant to the San Francisco sufferers. 'Lord Grey received today the following telegram dated Montreal, May 9, from Prince Arthur: 'Many thanks for your kind telegram. Have had a most pleasant visit here and am very sorry that my visit is ended.' (Signed) "ARTHUR."

A RIGHT WAY AND A WRONG WAY

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