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Spinnel examined the hunting knife and looked carefully at each pocket.
"Would you mind taking off your

coat?" he inquired.

The young man removed his coat, uncovering a small spatter of blood on shirt sleeve.

a snirt sleeve.

"There's no use going any further with this," said the young man impatiently. "Come on home with me, and I'll go back with you in the morn-

ing and prove my innocence." The two mounted their horses and

rode a long way in silence.
"It is possible," said Trove presently,
"that the robber was a man that knew
me and, being close pressed, planned
to divert suspicion."

Save that of the stranger, there was no sleep at the little house in Brier Dale that night. But, oddly, for Mary and Theron Allen it became a night of dear and lasting memories of their son. He sat long with them under the pine trees, and for the first time they saw and felt his strength and were as children before it.

"It's all a school," said he calmly. "And I'm just beginning to study the Book of Trouble. It's full of rather tough problems, but I'm not going to flunk or fail in it."

CHAPTER XXIII.

ROVE and the bank official were in Hillsborough soon after sunrise the morning of that memorable day. The young man rapped loudly on the broad door at the Sign of the Dial, but within all was silent. The day before Darrel had spoken of going off to the river towns and must have started. A lonely feeling came into the boy's heart as he turned away. He went promptly to the house of the district attorney and told all he knew of the money that he had put in the bank. He recounted all that took place the afternoon of his stay at Robin's Inn-the battles of the cocks, and the spider, and how the wounded fowl had probably sprinkled his sleeve with blood. In half an hour news of the young

man's trouble had gone to every house in the village. Soon a score of his schoolmates and half the faculty were at his side—there in the room of justice. Theron Allen arrived at 9 o'clock although at that hour two responsible men had already given a bail bond. After dinner Trove, a constable and the attorney rode to Robin's Inn. The news had arrived before them, but only the two boys and Tunk were at home. The latter stood in front of the stable, looking earnestly up the road.
"Hello!" said be, gazing curiously at

horse and men as they came up to the door. He seemed to be eying the attorney with hopeful anticipation. "Tunk," said Trove cheerfully, "you

have a mournful eye.' Tunk advanced slowly, still gazing, both hands in his trousers pockets.

"Ez Tower just went by," said he, with suppressed feeling. "Said you was arrested for murder."

"I presume you were surprised."
"Waal," said he, "Ez ain't said a word before in six months."

Tunk opened the horse's mouth and

stood a moment peering thoughtfully

"Kind of unexpected to be spoke to by Ez Tower." he added, turning his eyes upon them with the same curious The interrogation of Tunk and the

two boys began immediately. The story of the fowl corroborated, the sugar bush became an object of investi-gation. Milldam was ten miles away, and it was quite possible for the young man to have ridden there and back between the hour when Tunk left him and that of sunrise, when he met Mrs. Vaughn at her door. Trove and Tunk Hosely went with the officers down a lane to the pasture and thence into the wood by a path they followed that night to and from the shanty.

They discovered nothing new save one remarkable circumstance that baffied Trove and renewed the waning suspicion of the men of the law. On almost a straight line from bush to barn were tracks of a man that showed plainly where they came out of the grass upon the garden soil. Now, the strange part of it lay in this fact—the boots of Sidney Trove exactly fitted the tracks. They followed the footprints care off the attention. Tuesday attention the fire was still burning, although it was believed to be under paemis

control.

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nours before the crime. One or them contains the body of a red butterfly with starred wings. We cut the wings that day, and Miss Vaughn put them in a book she was reading."

Paul brought the wings, which exactly fitted the tiny torso of the butterfly. They could discern the footprints, one of which had broken the ant's road, while another was com-"Those tracks were made before the webs, that is evident," said the attorney. "Do you know who made the

"I do not," was the answer of the

young man. Trove remained at Robin's Inn that night, and after the men had gone he recalled a circumstance that was like a flash of lightning in the dark of his

great mystery.
Once at the Sign of the Dial his friend the tinker had shown him a pair of new boots. He remembered they were of the same size and shape as those he wore.

"We could wear the same boots," he had remarked to Darrel. "Had I to do such penance I should

be damned," the tinker had answered.
"Look, boy, mine are the larger by far. There's a man coming to see me at the Christmas time, a man o' busy feet. That pair in your hands I bought for

"Day before yesterday," said Tunk that evening, "I was up in the sugar bush after a bit o' hickory, an' I see a man there, an' I didn't have no idee who 'twas. He was tall and had white hair an' whiskers an' a short blue coat. When I first see him he was settin' on a log, but 'fore I come nigh he got up an' made off."

Although meager, the description was sufficient. Trove had no longer any doubt of this—that the stranger he had seen at Darrel's had been hid-ing in the bush that day whose events were now so important.

Whoever had brought the money, he must have known much of the plans and habits of the young man, and, the night before Trove's arrival at Robin's Inn, he came probably to the sugar woods, where he spent the next day in

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Breaking In of the Seine Patrol One of the Sights of Paris.

The training of the young Newfoundlands that are periodically added to the staff is one of the sights of Paris. It takes place in the headquarters of the staff is one of the sights of Paris. ters of the agents plongeurs, a small building on the quayside not far from the Cathedral of Notre Dame. Dogs and men enter into the exercise with zest, and there is usually a crowd of onlookers. Only dummy figures are used, but the "rescue" is nevertheless a very realistic affair. The big dogs know perfectly well what the exercis means, and they wait with comic en-thusiasm until the dummy is thrown into the water and an agent plongen rushes out on hearing the splash and the outcry of spectators. While the men are busy with lines and life buoys the dog plunges into the water, swims to the dummy, watches with rare inteiligence for an opportunity to get an advantageous hold, and then it either swims ashore or waits for its master, who brings to the rescue long poles, cork belts and the like. The more experienced dogs, however, will easily effect a rescue from first to last without human assistance, and it is an inspiring sight to watch them looking for a foothold on the slippery sides of the river bank and pulling the heavy dummy into a place of safety.

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A GREAT BEER HOUSE.

Munich Owns the Oldest and Largest Saloon in the World.

The Hofbrauhaus of Munich is per-

haps the oldest and largest saloon in the world, owned by the king of Ba-varia and patronized by an average of 12,000 customers a day. On holidays the number often runs up to 15,000 and 16,000. Nothing to drink is sold but beer, brewed at the royal brewery, which was started by King Ludwig the Severe in 1255. The present Hofbrau-haus was built in 1644, and the beer was brewed on the spot until 1878, when the brewery was moved into the country to less expensive quarters.

There are seats for 1,500 customers

plain wooden benches without backs beside plain wooden tables without covers. In the garden or court are 100 covers. In the garden or court are 100 empty beer barrels set on end, which are used for tables. The steins, which are very heavy and hold a quart of beer, are piled up in stacks before the bar on the floor in the morning, where they remain until they are used.

When a customer wants beer he picks out a stein, takes it to one of the basins of running water which line the walls and washes it himself. Then he carries it to the counter and hands to

carries it to the counter and hands it over to the bartender, who fills it with beer from the barrel. The price is 6 cents a stein, and the profits support the hospitals of the city, although the king could claim them if he desired to do so, as the brewery and the Hofbrauhaus belong to him by inheritance.

A Surfeit of Oratory.
One of the mistaken theories is that
"public speaker" is necessary to the cess of any public affair. This theory had its rise at a time when oratory ory had its rise at a time when oratory was a fad. Orators were cultivated, and they were supposed to take human passions in their hands and toy with them. In this practical age public speakers are a bore, and nobody cares anything about them. People gather to be entertained and not lectured. But, this theory having been established that a "public speaker" is important to a picnic, an orator is important to a picnic, an orator is hauled out and set loose on a few old gentlemen with canes and a few mothers who must occupy the benches in taking care of the children.

Shot an Angel. Now and again we hear of strange Now and again we near or strange and rare birds being shot in England, but how many sportsmen except Mr. Wells' clergyman can claim to have shot an angel? One such man exists, though it is doubtful whether he is proud of his skill. It was nighttime, and he was passing Crayford parish and he was passing Crayford parish churchyard with his gun over his shoulder when he saw what he took for a ghost. He leveled his piece and fired, but his alm was wild. He had falled to wing his quarry. Investigation showed that the ghost was a sculptured angel on a tomb, and he had shet off one of its toes!—London Chronicle.

"Say," began Burroughs, "lend me a five, will you?"
"See here," replied Markley. "If you'd only save your own money you wouldn't have to borrow from your friends." friends."
"But by borrowing from my friends

Sleep.

Now blessings light on him that first invented sleep. It covers a man all over, thoughts and all, like a cloak; it is meat for the hungry, drink for the thirsty, heat for the cold and cold for the hot.-Cervantes.

Quite Different,
He—But Y thought you'd forgiven
me for that and promised to forget it?
She—Yes; but I didn't promise to let
you forget I'd forgiven it!

Some men are born great, some achieve greatness and some couldn't tell to save their necks how it hap-pened.

WHO SHE WAS

SKETCH OF THE LIFE OF LYDIA E. PINKHAM

And a True Story of How the Vegetable Compound Had Its Birth and How the "Panic of '73" Caused it to be Offered for Public Sale in Drug Stores.

This remarkable woman, whose maiden name was Estes, was born in Lynn, Mass., February 9th, 1819, coming from a good old Quaker family. For some years she taught school, and became known as a woman of an alert

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and investigating mind, an earnest seeker after knowledge, and above all, possessed of a wonderfully sympathetic nature.

In 1843 she married Isaac Pinkham, a builder and real estate operator, and their early married life was marked by prosperity and happiness They had four children, three sons and a daughter.

In those good old fashiened days it was common for mothers to make their own home medicines from roots and herbs, nature's own remedies—calling in a physician only in specially argent cases By tradition and experience many of them gained a wonderful knowledge of the curative properties of the various roots and herbs.

roots and herbs.

Mrs. Pinkham took a great interest in the study of roots and herbs, their characteristics and power over disease. She maintained that just as nature so bountifully provides in the harvest-fields and orchards vegetable foods of all kinds; so, if we but take the pains to find them, in the roots and herbs of the field there are remedies expressly designed to cure the various ills and weaknesses of the body, and it was her pleasure to search these out, and prepare simple and effective medicines for her own family and friends.

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Chief of these was a rare combination of the choicest medicinal roots and herbs found best adapted for the cure of the ills and weaknesses peculiar to the female sex, and Lydia E. Finkham's friends and neighbors learned that her compound relieved and cured and it became quite popular among them. popular among them.

All this so far was done freely, without money and without price as a labor of love.

But in 1873 the financial crisis struck Lynn. Its length and severity were too nuch for the large real estate interests of the Pinkham family, as this class of business suffered most from fearful depression, so when the Centennial year dawned it found their property swept away. Some other source of income had to be found.

good for the women of the whole world.

The Pinkhams had no money, and little credit. Their first laboratory was the kitchen, where roots and herbs were steeped on the stove, gradually filling a gross of bottles. Then came the question of selling it, for always before they had given it away freely. They hired a job printer to run off some pamphlets setting forth the merits of the medicine, now called Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and these were distributed by the Pinkham sone in Boston, New York, and Brooklyn.

The wonderful curative properties of the medicine were, to a great extent, self-advertising, for whoever used it re-commended it to others, and the demand gradually increased.

In 1877, by combined efforts the family had saved enough money to commence newspaper advertising and from that time the growth and success of the enterprise were assured, until to-day Lydia E. Pinkham and her-Vegetable Compound have become household words everywhere, and many tons of roots and herbs are used annually in its manufacture.

Lydis E. Pinkham herself did not live to see the great success of this work. She passed to her reward years ago, but not till she had provided means for continu-ing her work as effectively as she could have done it herself.

have done it herself.

During her long and eventful experience the was ever methodical in her work and she was always careful to preserve a record of every case that came to her attention. The case of every sick woman who applied to her for advice and there were thousande received careful study and the details, including symptoms, treatment and results were recorded for future reference, and to day these records, together with hundreds of thousands made since, are available to sick women the world over, and represent a vast collaboration of information regarding the treatment of woman's tile, which for authenticity and accuracy can hardly be equaled in any library in the world.

With Lydia E. Pinkham, worked her

With Lydia E. Pinkham worked her daughter-in-law, the present Mrs. Pinkham. She was carefully instructed in all her hard-won knowledge, and for years she assisted her in her wast correspondence.

pondence.

To her hands naturally fell the direction of the work when its originates passed away. For nearly twenty-five years she has continued it, and nothing in the work shows when the first Lydia E. Pinkham dropped her pen, and the present Mrs. Pinkham, now the mother of a large family, took it up. With woman asistants, some as capable as herself, the present Mrs. Pinkham continues this great work, and probably from the office of no other person have so many women been advised how to regain health. Sick women, this advice is "Youre for Health" freely given if you only write to ask for it.

Such is the history of Lydia E. Pink-

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