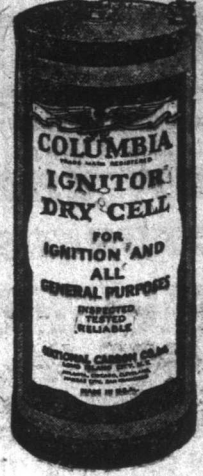


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CHAPTER II.

As he descended the stairs, he heard somebody blustering in like the god of the wind; and then a cherry, boyish voice exclaiming, as its owner stamped and shook the rain off himself:

"Blow ye winds, and crack your cheeks! Poor Frank's a-cold! I say, Mother Grizzle, why didn't you let me in when I knocked first, and not keep me here in the rain till I'm a sight to see, not to hear of? What, with mud and rain, I'm a picture to look at—ain't I? Talk about drowned rats! If you want to see one, just cast your eyes on me, my friends! Hello, little black eyes! How d'ye do? No; don't come near me! I'm a living cataract—worse than Ulline's uncle, and he was a cross between a man and a river! But I forgot you don't know German; so it's not likely you ever heard of the rent. Get us something to eat, Grizzle. Haven't had a blessed morsel since early morning as I'm a shone! Where's Kit, and Elaine, and Old Bill these times?"

"They ain't home," said the voice of the woman, Grizzle, in surly tones, as she stiffly moved through the room.

"Orrie, get out of that, and go to bed. You ought to have been here long ago."

"I'd rather sit up," said Orrie, sharply.

"Oh, let little bright-eyes stay," said the newcomer. "I like to look at her. Many customers stopped here lately," Grizzle said.

"No," said Grizzle, curtly. "Who'd stop here when they could go on?"

"Ah, that's true enough!" said the boy: "It's not the most enchanting looking bower of repose I ever saw, and the public generally are not likely to be captivated by it. But a storm-stayed traveller might drop in now and then—on the principle of half a loaf being better than no bread."

"How did you come to be caught in the storm at this hour of the night, Master Frank?" said the woman, rattling dishes on the table.

"Well, I am on my way home from New York; and, as I was in a hurry, I thought the storm wouldn't amount to much, and that I could ride through it, until I got to Fontelle; but I found my mistake before long, and would have stopped at the Marmalade all night

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for want of a better name, I suppose. But, what do you know about the De Veres?" continued Master Frank.

"Well, I believe I claim kindred with the family," said the careless stranger. "My name is Disbrow, the Honorable Alfred Disbrow, more commonly known as Captain Disbrow, of his Most Gracious Majesty's Horse Guards."

"Hey!" said Master Frank, dropping his knife and fork, and staring at the young and handsome gentleman. "It ain't possible, is it?"

The stranger smiled, and bowed slightly.

"And you're the Honorable Alfred Disbrow, brother of Lord Carncliffe?" exclaimed the boy.

"And nephew of Robert De Vere, Reg. of Fontelle?"

"Yes, I have that honor," said the stranger.

Up sprang Frank from his seat, and darting over, he caught the young Englishman's hand and shook it heartily, saying, with a delighted shout:

"Hooray! at this ain't an uncommon streak of good luck, my name's not Frank! Good gracious! just to think of it! Why, it's the most unexpected and knock-down coincidence that ever anybody heard of since they were born!" said Frank, shaking the Honorable Alfred's hand as if it had been a pump handle, in his surprise and delight.

CHAPTER IV.

The young Englishman glanced toward his slightly uncourteous hostess to see what effect this announcement had on her; and saw her standing, looking steadily into the fire, with the strangest expression of mingled triumph, delight and exultation, added to another inexplicable look—as if a domineering prospect of some sort had suddenly been opened before her. Her evil face had so strange a fascination for him at that moment, that, unheeding Frank De Vere's boisterous greeting, he kept his eyes on her, and asked:

"What picture do you see in the fire, my worthy hostess, that seems so strongly to rivet your attention?"

"I saw," said the woman, pointing to the glowing coals, "a pit there, so black, so bottomless, that, if it opened visibly before you now, you would shrink and recoil from it in horror."

"Possible!" said the young man, in his careless tone. "Well, and what of it? Did you see nothing else?"

"You—you were at the bottom of it! But you were not alone. I saw some one falling down, and down, and down into that dark and loathsome gulf; and he, fallen and degraded in their scornful pride, in the very slime at your feet, spurned alike by God and man, and that one was—"

"Well," said the young man, startled a little from his nonchalant manner by the suppressed passion that throbbled like a rising tide in her face and voice.

"Jack De Vere!" she said, raising her voice almost to a shriek, with a last malignant glance, she turned to leave the room.

"Don't mind her. Captain Disbrow!" exclaimed Frank, indignantly; "she's crazy one-half her time, and not very sensible the rest. Nobody minds what old Grizzle Howlett says."

"Who is this Jack De Vere, on whose destiny I am to have so dismal an effect?" inquired the soldier, resuming his indifferent manner.

"Oh, a cousin of ours, of course; the one of the De Veres of Fontelle."

"Is he at Fontelle now?"

Frank nodded and laughed, and the laugh was shrilly echoed by the elfish spirit, Orrie, who still crouched in the chimney corner.

"Then I shall see him to-morrow!"

"Yes; you'll see him to-morrow," said Frank, still laughing, and seemingly immensely tickled by some inward feeling.

"What are you laughing at?" said Captain Disbrow, with a puzzled look.

Frank opened his mouth to protest he never was more serious in his life, but in the effort another roar escaped him.

"Well, this is rather droll," said the young Englishman, "laughing over such a solemn matter as the extinguishing of Mr. Jack De Vere and Captain Alfred Disbrow, when—"

"Orrie!" called the harsh voice of Mother Grizzle at this moment, "get up and go to bed."

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Money for Germany?

Consider this remarkable article by M. Henri Bidou in the Paris Figaro, in which he discusses "the proposed loan of 800 million gold marks (\$40,000,000), which, he explains, is intended to remain in Germany in order to strengthen her credit, and continues:

"People will say, 'What! Eight hundred millions of fresh money for Germany! Is that what you call reparations for France?' It must be recognized that the paradox is a hard one, but it lies at the very root of the reparations question, and it will never be dislodged from that place. Yes, reparations begin with assistance to Germany—and Germany will probably do her best to confine them to that. What is more, reparations are entirely based, when analysed, upon an excess of German exports, that is to say, upon a dangerous German prosperity."

"There is no known way of getting out of that. And, finally, reparations have necessarily to be coupled with certain advantages for Germany. For it is practically impossible to force a great State to pay for its enemies for 25 years or more if it has not some reason for doing so. These truths are extremely disagreeable and unpleasant. They offend justice and the feeling of what is our right. But they are truths. What is the good of hiding them? The most reasonable thing about Mr. MacDonald's thesis is that the export will of Germany is necessary—not because we have got away from the Treaty of Versailles, but in order to execute this Treaty."

Unpleasant Truths.

The Times Paris correspondent, discussing this article, says "he explains to his countrymen some of the more unpleasant truths concerning payment of reparations. One cannot but regret that such articles have been comparatively so rare in the Paris Press during the past years, for if they had been more common there would have been a less general failure here to understand the subject."

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The Morning Post will have nothing to do with this policy of "Robbing Peter to Pay Paul."

"The idea of opening the proceedings for the recovery of a debt by giving a loan to the debtor has never appealed to us as a common-sense procedure," says the Post. "Here we agree with Mr. Baldwin, who very reasonably fears that we shall be assisting Germany to become our greatest competitor—which, indeed, she is already. We are informed that at the present time—so confident are the Germans of the boom that is to follow this loan—not a business office is to be found in Berlin for love or money."

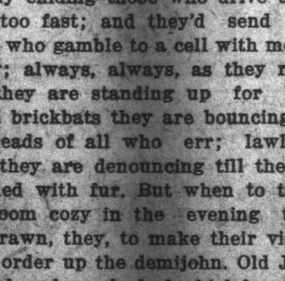
"The Germans are preparing all their plans for a great export campaign, which is to follow upon this access of fresh capital. In all the potentialities of industrial power, the German nation is at present the best equipped in the world. They have appeared to be short of capital, because they have had to hide it away from their creditors, and they have hidden it away by investing it in plant and in raw material. For example, all through this year they have been buying heavily in the various commodities which are used by their industries both in this country and elsewhere. They have done this by means of the enormous credits which they have established everywhere abroad."

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