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the boy heard this intelligence. What should he do now? B—— they told him, was fifty miles away!

Half fainting from fatigue he wandered on a bit and then dropped down upon a doorstep, his head sunk in his arms.

The people of the house were living in the cellar, for the town was being intermittently shelled. But a woman saw him and brought him some bread and a drink of water. He slept that night under a haystack on the edge of the town. The next morning he rose at daybreak and plodded on. Bye and bye a peasant in an ox cart gave him a lift, and late in the afternoon he had reached W——. Hunger again sharply assailed him, and he begged a meal at the house of an old cripple and spent the night there, sleeping in a dark hovel underneath the stairs, for every house was crowded with refugees from the captured districts in the north. Not a train on any of the railways was running, and the country was swarming with German spies in the guise of priests and women. So that one could scarcely trust even one's friends.

The boy, being as we have said, shrewd, kept his mission to himself. Five times he had been searched and nothing had been found upon him to warrant arrest. He was there simply taken for a refugee and allowed to proceed. At length he came to the town of P——, which is the next to B——, where the French commandant was. Here the boy fell ill, and was nursed by an old woman for a week. Scarcely able to walk, he set forth again, however, and after being captured by a couple of Germans in an old farmhouse, and held there over night, he was liberated and once more took up his journey. At length, weary and footsore, he limped into B—— and made his way to the headquarters of General J——, who was in command of that wing of the French army which had so far successfully held back the Prussians from the east.

An orchestra within was playing the Marseillaise as Victor stumbled rather than walked into the courtyard. The music revived him somewhat, and he sat upon a stone bench listening to it. He was very much exhausted, and very hungry, and his feet hurt. The smart officers passing in and out eyed him curiously. They wondered how the ragged, unkempt little fellow had managed to get past the gate-keeper.

All sorts of people, of course, were constantly coming with messages and advice and warnings to headquarters. It was necessary for the gate-keeper to maintain a stern authority, and let none without the password in. Victor would never have gotten past this official only that he waited about at the entrance until a party of officers happened to engage the gate-keeper in talk, and while they were all gesticulating and arguing, the boy slipped past, dodged behind the big gate, and crept along in the shadow of the courtyard wall. The commandant was at luncheon, he was told. For two hours Victor waited, and finally, gaining more courage, walked boldly into the hallway of the building. At that

moment the commandant himself appeared, booted and spurred, ready for a ride. He was about to brush past the boy when the latter, not recognizing the great man, plucked him by the sleeve.

A few hoarse words was all that his voice could manage, but the commandant heard the name, "Pierre Laforce," and stopped short.

"Can I see the commandant?" repeated Victor. "It is very important. My grandfather told me. I——"

"Pierre Laforce, I think you said," said the commandant. "Do you come from him, my lad? What is your name?"

"He is dead. But I brought the plans. My name is Victor."

"Dead?"

"They drowned him. But I brought the——"

"Come in my boy. I must hear more. Pierre Laforce was my father's best friend. He has been also a good friend to me—and to France, best, perhaps, of all."

The great man threw open a door and they entered a small room upon the left of the hallway. There, with many falterings, and before the gaze of three other officers who were seated at a big table, covered with documents, Victor told his tale.

"And where," said the commandant, "is this paper your grandfather sent me?"

For answer the boy turned his back and lifted one brown foot, holding the bottom up to the officers. Carefully glued to the calloused and very dirty sole was the precious paper!

The officers rose and came around to the boy.

"A good thing it is that the material is parchment," said the chief with a laugh. "Sit down, my lad, on that chair."

"How far have you come, did you say?" asked one of the officers in astonishment. Victor could not tell, but he named his home village. "I bandaged my foot with a rag as grandfather told me," he said. "The bandage stayed on till yesterday, and then it wore off with so much walking."

The commandant was reading the soiled paper.

"Mother of all the saints!" he muttered. "See here—it is the German plans! They are to attack in the department of the V—— next! How much this is worth to us! Paris is safe now. We know what our next move will be!"

"Ciel!" cried one of the lieutenants. "So important and brought to us by a garcon!"

The chief patted the lad's shoulder. "If the war lasts another ten years, my little one, you shall be my aide—if you have not already become one of our leading diplomats!"

The officers cheered.

"You have a good name," continued the commandant. "As Victor you are bound to get on, and I think I can give you some work here."

Victor rose and saluted.

"I thank you, sir," he said.

"You must be hungry," the commandant went on, and, turning to an officer who had just entered, he said: "Monsieur Delchame, take this future diplomat out to the mess-room and give him all he wants to eat and drink. Then——"

"Qui?" suggested the officer as his chief paused.

The commandant smiled.

"Then," he said, "I would put him in charge of an orderly and see that he gets a bath—plenty of soap and water, you understand."

Figuratively Speaking

"Why, Rebecca," said mother, "that dog isn't yours! You've no right to bring him home!"

"W—well, mama," pleaded Rebecca, "he was just not belonging to anybody—like the flowers! I can pick flowers and keep 'em—wild ones—and this doggy was just like—like the flowers, and I came along, and—and sort of—picked him."

Here the dog, turning round, displayed a noticeable lack of tail—a bobbed-off, rabbit-like stump. Where upon Rebecca's quiet brother Paul spoke up unexpectedly.

"You—you didn't pick a very long stem," he said.

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