By The Law of Tooth and Talon

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CHAPTER XIII. Vogel Shows His True Colors.

though they maintained a watch for

several hours, he did not reappear.

ently had landed did not serve to bol-

Rather it had increased the panic

which assailed him. He hastened to

the Lathrop cabin and began buckling

"What's the matter, Louie?"

cried excitedly. "What are you do-

"I'm going away from here," was

"Going away," she echoed. "Why?

Vegel did not answer. He buckled

the last strap, seized the suitcase and

stalked out of the house. The girl

followed him, calling upon him to

"Louie, Louie," she cried. "Wait a

around here thicker'n flies in summertime by dark. What in h-l did yu

want to lead me to this hole fer, any-

how? Fine lot of relations yu got,"

he sneered. "Talk about yer wild men.

D-d lot of ignorant hill-billies. They

jest scaired and you don't know what

"Louie, you don't mean it. You're

sure take the cake fer mine."

He did not even turn to look

him in the act.

the curt reply.

The fact that the machine appar-

Thus they faced each other. The cowardly soul in his hulking body saw the tigress within her leap into Vogel, too, had seen the huge airlife, and he dropped his eyes.

circling overhead. Its droning attracted his attention while he "You called me a name that no man who called himself a man would call beyond the clearing and even before any woman," she said with flashing he had risen and run to a cleared space to view it, he knew what he space to view it, he knew what he would see. Alarm did not seize him, we're honest and square, thank Gawd, however, until the machine, instead of which is more than I can say fer you." continuing upon its course, suddenly

Then she drew back her hand and was lower and Vogel, harassed by his guilty conscience, ducked behind a tree. It had crossed his mind that the aviators might be officers of the law dropped as drops a shot rabbit and. and he failed to realize that at that with a convulsive shudder, lay still. height it would be impossible for even the strongest glasses to identify any human being.

Without so much as a glance, the gunman seized the suitcase and fled.

Unknown to either of them, there Apparently satisfied by the manhad been a witness to the scene. From oeuvre, the airplane's pilot turned its behind a tree a boyish form darted in the direction of the valley into the path and sped to the cabin. and began spiralling down in a hunt He dashed into it and came out again for a level meadow where he might a moment later feverishly loading an land. The watchers in the Cove, and ancient rifle there were many, lost sight of him behind the skyline of the trees and, al-

Hard on his heels came his father. The lanky mountaineer covered the ground in long strides as he took down the path in the wake of the boy. Just beyond the clearing he caught up with him and seized him by the shoulder. "Where yer goin'?" he demanded. ster up "Big Louie's" wavering nerve.

"To kill a skunk," was the reply and the youngster wriggled in his grasp. But the man held him firmly.
"He hit Stell," babbled the boy,

up the straps of the suitcase which was the only bit of luggage he had great sobs in his hroat. "He killt my brought with him. Stella surprised sister and I'm a-goin' to kill him. Let

"Where is she?" demanded old Bill

Lathrop.

His eyes took on a steely glitter as he followed the boy down the path to where the girl lay. Swiftly the man bent over and gathered her in his arms, then strode back with her to the cabin. He carried her inside and laid her upon a bed.

"Oh, maw," he called through the door to his wife in the lean-to kitchen. "Stell has done fell down and hurted herself. Come and 'tend to her."

He whirled impatiently and dropped the suitcase to the ground. "Quit yer snifflin'," he said savagely. "I'm goin' to beat it. That airplane settles it.

They've trailed us and the cops 'll be the boy went back to the cabin.

Bill Lathrop returned to his home you air sayin'," she cried and laid her hand upon his arm. "Don't go, Louie, don't go. Even if the police did find out where we were they couldn't get

us in a million years. They ain't no-body kin get to the Cove lessen we want them to All Supper ended, the mountaineer picked up his rifle and by the light of a want them to. All we got to do is start the word to keep them out and lamp cleaned and oiled it and pumped other spot. the folks'll guard every entrance. One man can hold the passes against a thousand tryin' to git in."

a bullet into the barrel, before returning it to its accustomed place. "How's the gal?" he asked quietly

He shook her hand roughly. "I ain't goin' to stay," he declared. "I'm goin' of his wife, clearing off the dishes.

"She come to after a bit but said store the circulation in them.

questions she had feared.

CHAPTER XIV.

Charlton Finds An Ally.

have covered the miles to the Cove in

almost as many hours as it had taken Vogel days to drive it in his automobile had they known where the Cove was located. Thus they had lost three

days in flights to as many towns nam-

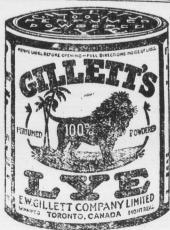
Charlton and Alfred Graham would

and be d—d sure yu don't tell no one yu seen me leavin'. Hear me?"
"Yes, Louie," she replied meckly.
"But is real's otherwise she ain't hurt." goin', I'm goin' too. Wait till I git my hat." She turned toward the shack. He seized her by the shoulder and whiteled her by the should be shou

the shoulder and whirled her around after learning from the brother who "Yu're not goin' with me," he grat-Lathrop had gone down the trail after "I fell fer yer d-d whinin' and bergin' once and look what it's led the thug with his rifle under his arm. me into. Yu stay here until I'm out She had heard her father come in o' sight before yu go back to the cabin or yu'll wish yu had." He turned, picked up the suitcase and started down the mountain path. Impulsively she caught up with his milliar to ask questions. Bill Lathrop was a she caught up with him again and the ceiling that she could not see. dead shot. Dry-eyed, she stared at "Don't you love me any more, She had been brought up on the moun-

Louie?" she pleaded.
"H—l, no," he said harshly. "Get tooth for a tooth, and in the pride out of my way, yu d—d red-headed—" which demanded that an insult to a

But still she clung to him, surprise woman must be wiped out in blood. in her eyes. In his she read his true character. The man she thought she loved because of his kindness to her, had vanished. Instead, she saw only



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MERCHANTS BANK OFFICIALS EXPRESS TEMPERED OPTIMISM **REGARDING BUSINESS SITUATION**

President and General Manager Review the Canadian Business Situation With Much Hope—Financial Position of the Bank an Exceptionally Strong One-Crop Outlook Encouraging.

At the annual meeting of the Merchants Bank of Canada the various reports which were presented showed that this institution occupies a commanding position in Canadian financial affairs. The addresses of the President, Sir Montagu Allan, and the General Manager, Mr. D. C. Macarow, were concise statements of present day conditions and contained an optimistic survey of the future.

The President's Address.

Sir Montagu Allan in part said: "The general depression in business, felt to a greater or lesser degree in every country in the world, has affected the business of the bank to som extent, but we hope the low point of depression has been passed, and that there will soon be a change for the better. The coal strike in England which will no doubt result in the loss better. of a great deal of trade, and the unrest and discontent which seems to prevail in nearly all the countries of Europe, give rise to serious financial problems to be reckoned with, but no problems to be reckoned with, but no man in this country who is strong and healthy can afford to be a pessimist for any length of time. The known and undeveloped resources are sufficient to ensure future prosperity.

New Issue of Stock.

'As mentioned in last year's report a further issue of \$2,100,000 of new stock was made, making the paid-up capital of the bank \$10,500,000, and by the transfer of the premium on the new stock to the rest account, the rest now stands at \$9,450,000.

"The shareholders of the bank now number 2,997, as against 2,622 in 1920, being an increase of 375 during the

Current loans and discounts stand at Current loans and discounts stand at \$109,183,000, as against \$113,198,000 last year. It will be seen, therefore, that this bank continues to extend its ample share of assistance to the industries of the country.

General Manager is Optimistic.

Following the president's concise yet comprehensive review of the situa tion, as reflected in the year's statements, said Mr. Macarow, there is little left for me to add beyond, perhaps, a word or two by way of ampli fication

It will be observed that in compari-

herself. Come and 'tend to her."

Then he clapped his ragged hat upon his head, took down the rifle from its hooks over the mantelpiece, emptied a box of cartridges into his pocket and left the cabin. At the edge of the clearing the boy waited impatiently. "Go home," commanded his father and did not pause to see whether he was obeyed. With laggard footsteps and frequent glances over his shoulder, and frequent glances over his shoulder.

Then he clapped his ragged hat upon his head, took down the rifle from its fact that Sella had told also that she was a mountain girl were the only claimed him the local constable. He hurried up to the two men in flying costume. The others stood back at a directory had given them a number of places named Jasper. At last, however, they had been rewarded. The was obeyed. With laggard footsteps and frequent glances over his shoulder.

When the fliers had doubled back it might not suddenly take a notion soothing, but also strengthening, and

long after the rude evening meal had they were depending to guide them been served. He stood his rifle in a was not a detailed one and Graham corner, washed his hands in a tin had been uncertain of their location. basin outside the kitchen door and However, he had seen the town in the sat down to his supper. He offered valley far below them and as it seemno explanations and no questions were ed to offer the opportunity for a safe asked him. Judge Graham had allanding he dove down to it, circled over it half a dozen times and picked a word with you first." He had walked nerves. A cream rub, at least once a out a pasture that from the air looked over to meet the constable. "Take a week, will be found most beneficial as if it might be less rough than any squint at this," continued Graham, if you need arch supporters, don't

"How's the gal?" he asked quietly out of the observer's seat in the plane this community and, with your kind and stamped his numbed feet to repermission, we should like to leave the time.

Stella, lying in the dark little bed- replied Graham, who had followed worth their while—and yours." tened tensely for her father's return, Here comes the customary spectators.

For, running across the field toward had seen Vogel strike her that Bill them were a hundred men, boys and Keep Minard's Liniment in the house.

\$7,000,000, or, roughly, 3½ per cent., which, in view of all the surrounding circumstances, must be regarded as a satisfactory showing, the liquid posi-

tion being well maintained the while.

The trend of our interest-bearing deposits for the same period has been steadily upward, an increase in that department of about \$7,000,000 being shown, but this gain has been more than offset by the decline in the total ordinary deposits. A year ago, how-ever, under the heading of demand de-posits, a sum of about \$8,000,000 stood to the credit of the Government in connection with Victory Loan pay-ments. This amount, which, of course, was of a purely temporary nature was closed. This hour is supposed to be at six o'clock, but more often an unments. This amount, which, of course, was of a purely temporary nature, was withdrawn during the year so that, after making allowance for it, the total deposits and total assets about held their own, a satisfactory achievement we have no doubt you will agree.

Crop Reports Are Promising.

Crop conditions throughout the country are at the present moment ex-ceptionally promising. If I may say a word as to general conditions it will be one of tempered optimism, having a due comprehension of the many difficulties which require to be met but having, at the same time, a proper ap-preciation of the actual and potential riches of this country.

There are indications that the mone tary position, broadly speaking, is less stringent and that the general liquidity of credit now in evidence is continuing to develop further.

Altogether, and in a word, it is not difficult to be an optimist as to the future of "Canada Unlimited," to borrow the apt expression recently used by an eminent Canadian.

The Board of Directors was re-elected, with Sir H. Montagu Allan as President and F. Howard Wilson as son with last year's figures our total Vice-President.

tissues. The way you take it is this:
Place the feet in hot water for two
minutes, then plunge them into cold
water. Keep them there thirty secit might not suddenly take a notion soothing, but also strengthening, and over the Cove it had not been through to charge them. In spite of the pro- has the refreshing odor of balsam premeditation. The map upon which gress of aviation this backwoods community was seeing its first airplane.

"Get that gol durned thing out of and there are powders for this pur-

this field," roared the constable, pose which relieve perspiration and yards away. "Just as you say, officer," replied deal, there are creams that will take out the aches and soothe the tired

as if it might be less rough than any other spot.

"That was some landing," commented Charlton, as he clambered stiffly

"Government. "We have business in right material and fit your feet pershe didn't feel like cating. I'm afeard thought every minute we were going I know you can find a couple of good feet you are taking a big step toward stepmutter." turn over."
"No standering of the chauffeur,"
spectators away. We will make it

(To be continued.)

A Community Canning Kitchen.

had vanished. Instead, she saw only the beast of prey, the savage in civilized clothing. Slowly her arms loosened their hold, and she stepped back, once he had turned upon he and cursed her because of the care she was lavishing upon the unconscious judge. She could not mourn him now.

Index Graham was up and chipper school children who have come in early the first save over there. You may Judeg Graham was up and chipper as ever the next morning. In spite of her efforts to keep turned from her domestic science class, the raspberries her bruised face, his keen eyes de- have been placed in the jars and are do we charge for gas? Five cents an his own counsel and Stella did not shelled.

have to answer the embarrassing The telephone bell rings: "Mrs. Burlingame? This is Mrs. Smith. I am sending you two dozen pints of raspberries to-day to be made into a

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A Community Canning Kitchen. "Very well," replies Mrs. Burlin-Here is the story of a successful game, "but you should bring them be-Stella's love for Louis Vogel had neighborhood canning kitchen. Pos- fore eleven o'clock, for Mr. Kendrick died absolutely in the moment just sibly there is need for one in your is bringing in a few more bushels of before she had struck him. It had be-

tected it and, also, he noticed the cooking, the currants have been sorted hour for each burner used. Any time absence of Vogel. But he wisely kept and cleaned, and the peas are being you want me to help you about the canning let me know, and I shall be

here until afternoon to-day and Mrs Smith and Farmer Kendricks are bringing in a lot more stuff; I wish

Just as the jelly is being poured

into tumblers, in comes Mrs. Blank: Used Autos "Good-morning, Mrs. Burlingame. I want to place my order with you for my fall canning. You see, I am go-ing away for the summer and will not

be able to do a single bit myself."
"Very well, here's our price-list by

the single jar and by the dozen. Let me show you some of the work we are doing this morning, just that you may get an idea as to the kind and

quality you may expect. All the fruit

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sometimes it is even necessary-to open

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pains? If they are not in good con-

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to painful, neglected feet. Don't wear

tight shoes or short stockings, and

don't forget that your feet need just

cold, or here are uric acid deposits be-

young and ready for work. Incidental-

ly, it will make you better looking.

general tonic for the nerves and other

pine about it. Tired feet like powder.

Diphtheria.

Diphtheria is an inflammation usu-

ally of the mucous membrane of the

throat and the larynx and is marked by a fibrinous exudation that forms a

When the disease affects the larynx

more or less thick adherent coating.

tins

also act as a deodorant

The alternate foot bath acts as a

do give them attention.

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then washed thoroughly. We use only the best quality of fruit." the coating tends to suffocate the patient by blocking the air passage in tient by blocking the air passage in Thus it goes all day long—visitors his throat; but the chief danger there coming in, telephone calls asking how as well as in other spots that diphto do certain processes in canning, theria especially attacks is that the persons coming in to order goods or toxins of the germs will cause blood-to sell their surplus produce to the poisoning. The toxins may also Kitchen, and three or four different weaken the heart to a dangerous canning operations all going at the degree. same time. About two or three times

In an ordinary case of diphtheria each day, the manager comes in to the beginning is likely to be sudden; see if Mrs. Burlingame needs any the patient's temperature rises rapidmore help, to see if the supply of ly, his throat becomes sore, he loses vegetables and fruits is sufficient, and his appetite and feels generally weak, to help in any way he can. About five On looking into his mouth the doctor or six o'clock, or if the work is espe- sees increased redness of the mucous cially rushed, about eight or nine membrane that covers the tonsils and o'clock, Mrs. Burlingame gives him an the back of the throat; soon whitish account of the day's work. When the patches appear and gradually enlarge accounts of all different lots for the until they cover the whole surface day have been completed, and the Kit- with a tough, adherent, felt-like memchen has been cleaned, the business is brane.

Sometimes the attack begins slowly, and both the local inflammation and usual amount of business requires the general symptoms take several work until nine or ten o'clock, and days fully to develop. In favorable cases the symptoms disappear in the course of a few days, and the patient gradually recovers his health. In severe cases the patient's constitutional depression increases, his heart grows weak and, unless treatment is prompt and energetic, death super-

Antitoxin offers the only hopeful remedy for diphtheria, and even antitoxin may fail unless it is given early and in large doses. Rather than wait for the disease to appear it is often wise to give a preventive vaccination of a mixture of the toxin and the antias many baths as you have time to to the germ just as vaccine does in toxin. That makes the child immune give them. If your feet are dry or smallpox. If the preventive action of the toxin-antitoxin were more widely tween your toes, try an alternate foot known and all parental prejudice circulation and make your feet feel against it overcome, diphtheria would in a short time be as rare as smallpox.

Iceland Spar.

One of the most interesting of nature's processes is that by which cracks in volcanic rocks are filled in with materials brought up in hot solutions from the bowels of the earth. It is by this means that "veins" and 'lodes" of gold and silver are formed. In the eastern part of Iceland there

is a locality where such cracks in rocks have been filled in with a pure carbonate of lime which forms clear and beautiful crystals. These crystals, called "Iceland spar," have a peculiar property of "polarizing" light, which makes them valuable for use in connection with microscopes and other optical instruments.

Within the last few years deposits of Iceland spar have been discovered in Montana, and in the Warner Range in California. Efforts are being made to develop them.

Minard's Liniment used by Physicians If you are on your feet a great

Not Born at All.

In a suburban school recently a liftle Swede presented himself for in-

"What is your name?" the teacher asked.

"Young Olson," he said.

"How old are you?" "Ay not know how old Ay bane."

"Well, when were you born?" "Ay bane not born at all; Ay got a

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