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bars or walls of their prison. The ex- afternoon, Chevalier?" asked he; clusion of light by covering the cage with a cloth, will do much to allay this propensity; and in a short time the birds become so accustomed to their environment as no longer to persist in trying to gain an unknown freedom.

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The Golden Dog

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CHAPTER XIX.—Continued.

The Chevalier did not notice, or

did not care for, the slight touch of

sarcasm in the Intendant's tone.

"Thanks, Bigot !" drawled he. " My

egg shall be hatched to-night down

at Menut's. 1 expect to have little

more left than the shell of it to-

"Well, never mind ! We have con-

sidered all that, Chevalier. What

one loses, another gets. It is all in

the family. Look here," continued

he, laying his finger upon a page of

the ledger that lay open before him,

'Mademoiselle Angelique des Me-

loises is now a shareholder in the

Grand Company. The list of high,

fair, and noble ladies of the Court

who are members of the Company

will be honored by the addition of

The Chevalier's eyes sparkled with

delight as he read Angelique's name

on the book. A handsome sum of

five digits stood to her credit. He

bowed his thanks with many warm expressions of his sense of the honor

done his sister by " placing her name

on the roll of the ladies of the Court

who honor the Company by accepting

a share of its dividends.

the name of your charming sister.'

morrow.

onfinement, fighting for liberty with the ject, " what news in the city this " how does that affair at Belmont go off?'

" Don't know. Half the city has gone, I think. At the Church door, however, the talk among the mer-chants is that peace is going to be made soon. Is it so very threaten-ing, Biget ?"

" If the King wills it, it is." Bigot spoke carelessly.

" But your own opinion, Chevalier Bigot; what think you of it?

" Amen ! amen ! Quod fiat fiatur! Seigny John, the fool of Paris, could enlighten you as well as I could as to what the women at Versailles may decide to do." replied Bigot, in a tone of impatience.

" I fear peace will be made. What will you do in that case, Bigot? asked Des Meloises, not noticing Bigot's aversion to the topic.

" If the King makes it, invitus amabo ! as the man said who married the shrew." Bigot laughed mockingly. "We must make the best of it, Des Meloises ! and let me tell you privately, I mean to make a good thing of it for ourselves whichever way it turns.'

" But what will become of the Company should the war expenditure stop ?'' The Chevalier was thinking of his dividend of five figures.

" Oh ! you should have been here sooner, Des Meloises; you would have heard our grand settlement of the question in every contingency of peace or war.

" Be sure of one thing," continued Bigot, "the Grand Company will not, like the eels of Melun, cry out before they are skinned. What says the proverb, 'Mieux vaut engin que force ' (craft beats strength) ? The Grand Company must prosper as the first condition of life in New France. Perhaps a year or two of repose may not be amiss, to revictual and reinforce the Colony; and by that time we shall be ready to pick the lock of Bellona's temple again and cry, Vive la guerre ! Vive la Grande Compagnie ! more merrily than ever

cast the course of events, which redirection after the peace of Aix la Chapelle-a peace which in America was never a peace at all, but only the clashing interests and rival am-

The meeting of the Board of Managers of the Grand Company broke up, and—a circumstance that rarely happened-without the customary dewill not refuse this small mark of own projects, which reached far beour respect," observed Bigot, feeling youd the mere interests of the Company, retired to his couch. Cadet, terior circle of the Friponne, had cerpany's eye. The rings of corruption narrower and more black and precipitous, down to the bottom, where The Chevalier des Meloises was self, as I am sure she will." In oney, last it excled a door to have thanks, "I am happy to try to deserve her wilded larges to "I ambrage will be the thanks," which larges the "I ambrage the big of a and, not below equal as "I ambrage to the big of a set of the terms of the set of the

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which she knew would be made tonight by Le Gardeur de Repentigny The Chevalier des Meloises had no idea of his sister's own aims. He had long nourished a foolish fancy

that, if he had not obtained the hand of the wealthy and beautiful heiress of Repentigny, it was because he had not proposed. Something to-day had suggested the thought that unless he did propose soon his chances would be nil, and another might secure the prize which he had in vain fancy set down as his own.

He hinted to Angelique to-day that he had almost resolved to marry, and that the projected alliance with the noble and wealthy house of Tilly could be easily accomplished if Angelique would only do her share, as a sister ought, in securing her brother's fortune and happiness.

"How ?" asked she, looking up savagely, for she knew well at what her brother was driving.

"By your accepting Le Gardeur without more delay ! All the city knows he is mad in love, and would marry you any day you choose, if you wore only the hair on your head. He would ask no better fortune !'

"It is useless to advise me, Renaud !'' said she, " and whether I take Le Gardeur or no, it would not help your chance with Amelie ! I am sorry for it, for Amelte is a prize, Renaud ! but not for you at any price. Let me tell you, that desirable young lady will become the bride of Pierre Philibert, and the bride of no other man living.'

"You give one cold encouragement, sister ! But I am sure, if you would only marry Le Gardeur, you could easily, with your tact and cleverness, induce Amelie to let me share the Tilly fortune. There are chests full of gold in the old Manor House, and a crow could hardly fly in a day over their broad lands !

Perfectly useless, brother ! Amelie is not like most girls. She would refuse the hand of a king for the sake of the man she loves, and she loves Pierre Philibert to his fingerends. She has married him in her heart a thousand times. I hate paragons of women, and would scorn to be one, but I tell you, brother, Amelie is a paragon of a girl, without knowing it !'

"Hum, I never tried my hand on a paragon; I should like to do so,' an armed and troubled truce between replied he, with a smile of decided confidence in his powers. " I fancy bitions of the French and English in they are just like other women when you can catch them with their armor

"Yes, but women like Amelie never lay off their armor ! They seem born But your vanin it, like Minerva.



PICKED PIMPLE AND DIED

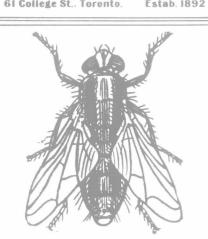
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hope Mademoiselle des Meloi well assured she would not deem it a

"Little fear of that !" muttered Cadet, whose bad opinion of the sex tain matters to shape for the Comwas incorrigible. of Versailles scratch jewels out of every dung-hill, and Angelique des Meloises has longer claws than any

Cadet's ill-natured remark was either unheard or unheeded; besides, he was privileged to say anything. Des Meloises bowed with an air of ant as he answered : "I guarantee the perfect satisfaction of Angelique Grand Company. She will, I am sure, appreciate the kindness of the

"Yes, Chevalier," said he, wit embodied in handsome women ??

ity will not let you believe Renaud ! So go try her, and tell me your luck ! She won't scratch you, nor scold. Amelie is a lady, and will talk to you like a queen. But she will give you a polite reply to your proposal that will improve your opinions of our sex.'

"You are mocking me, Angelique, as you always do ! One never knows when you are in jest, or when in earnest. Even when you get angry, it is often unreal and for a purpose! I want you to be serious for once. The fortune of the Tillys and De Repentignys is the best in New France, and we can make it ours if you will help me.'

"I am serious enough in wishing you those chests full of gold, and those broad lands that a crow cannot fly over in a day; but I must forego my share of them, and so must you yours, brother, !" Angelique leaned back in her chair, desiring to stop further discussion of a topic

Why must you forgo your share the De Repentigny fortune, Angelique? You could call it your own any day you chose by giving your little inger to Le Gardeur ! you do

The Oscialier did look perplexed at his instrutable sister, who only smiled the table at him, as she nonchaland, cracked nuts and sipped

en e i puzzle you, Renaud ""