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mon."

And who may he be?"

He's a cousin of the house. He and M. le Comte are as thick as thieves. Before we came to Paris they lodged together. So when M. le Comte came here he brought M. de Grammont. Dare I speak ill of Monsieur as sour-faced chur. You cannot deny it. You never saw him."

"No, nor M. le Comte, either."

"Why, you have seen M. le Comte."

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"When they are 30 fe down the form mone of the cabinet at this each of the put hear. As for listening at the time you fell out of the buttery window when you were stealing tata, and Margot got after you with the broomstick. I remember very well."

He was for calling up all our old pranks at the chateau, but it was little joy to me to think on those fortunate days when I was Monsieur's favorite, I said:

"No, Marcel, you were telling me of M. le Comte and the Grammont took no interest in Monsieur's faring and they had very little to say to him, and he to them. They had pleinly of friends in Paris. Leaguerd or not, aim, and they had very little to say to him, and he to them. They had pleinly of friends in Paris. Leaguerd or not, aim, and hey had very little to say to him, and he to them. They had pleinly of friends in Paris. Leaguerd or not, aim, and hey had very little to say to him, and he to them. They had pleinly of friends in Paris. Leaguerd or not, aim, and hey had very little to say to him, and he to them. They had pleinly of friends in Paris. Leaguerd or not, aim, and hey had very little to say to him, and hey had very little to say to him, and hey had very little to say to him, and hey had very little to say to him, and hey had very little to say to him, and he to them. They had pleinly of friends in Paris. Leaguerd or not, aim, and hey had very little to say to him, and he to them. They had pleinly of friends in Paris. Leaguerd or not, aim, and hey had very little to say to him, and hey had very little to say to him, and hey had very little to say to him, and hey had very little

"Oh, you are always piping up for the St. Quentins."

"Be should have no need in this just before we came to the city. And if he spies on Monsieur's enemies as well as he does on this household, he behind us. well as he does on this household, he must be a useful man. He has that long nose of his in everything, let'me fell you. Of course he was present when Monsieur missed the pistoles. So then, quite on his own account, without are not to discuss M. le Comte.

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"Yes, M. Vigo."

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"You are not to discuss M. le Comte. Then obey. And you, Felix, I shall have a little interview with you shortly."

"As you will, M. Vigo," I said hopelessly.

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He went off down the corridor, and Marcel turned angrily on me.

"Mon dieu, Felix, you have got me into a nice scrape with your eternal chanting of the praises of Monsieur. Like as not I shall get a beating for it. Vigo never forgets."

"I am sorry," I said, "We should not have been talking of it."

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"No de' Grammont raved like a made man, He said Lucas was the thief and had put half the sum in his chest to divert suspicion. He said it was a plot to ruin him contrived between Monsieur never liked him. He threatened Monsieur never liked him. But I did not pay it much heed.

"Well!" exclaimed Monsieur.

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"Well" exclaimed Monsieur.

"Well "You may go."

"Monsieur "Con"

Lucas passed out, giving me, as he went, a look of hatred that startled me.

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walking on your grave?"
"He stood looking at me with the
drawiest face I ever saw—the face of For this last it was not yet too late.

ers an attack on your life."

The warning nettled my lord.
answered curtly:

"You may go."

"Monsieur..."

"Monsieur," I began, "the spy in the house is named Martin."

"Ah!" cried Monsieur. "So it is Louis Martin. How he knew— But go on. The others—"

"I lay the night in the Rue Coupejarrets, not far from the St. Denis gate," I said, still beating about the bush, "at the sign of the Amour de Dieu. Opposite is a closed house, shuttered with iron from garret to cellar. You can enter from a court behind. It is here that they plot."

Monsieur's brows drew together, as if he were trying to recall something half remembered, half for gotten.

"But the men," he cried, "the men!"

"They are three. One a low fellow named Pontou."

"Pontou? The name is nothing to me. The others?" He was leaning forward eagerly. I knew of what he was thinking—the quickest way to reach the Rue Coupejarrets.

"The surface set sternly. "No," he answered. "No, Felix. He has placed himself beyond my forgiveness."

"Then "we will go there alone, we two, and kill him! Kill the three!"

He laughed. But not a man in France felt less mitthful. "You would have me kill my son?"

"He would have killed you."

"That makes no difference."

I looked at him, groping after the thoughts that swayed him, and catching at them dimly. I knew them for the principles of a proud and honor-ruled man, but there was no room for them in my angry heart.

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There are thousands of females all overour land who are broken down in health
and dragging out a miserable existence,
overburdened with diseases peculiar to
their sex, apparently growing old while yet
young. Often they have pale or sallow
complexion, hollow, sunken eyes, with a
lifeless look; the face has a pinched and
haggard appearance; they are weak, weary
and trembling, often extremely nervous,
starting at every little noise. Many are
low-spirited, and some are fretful. Some
are apparently bloodless, with cold hands
and feet, while others are flushed by an
unequal circulation of the blood, dizziness,
and sometimes dimness of vision, loss of
memory, and often loss of appetite and
aleep, and are wearied with terrible dreams.

Palpitation of the heart, nervous prostration, smothering and sinking spells, shortness of breath and the sensation of pins and
needles are all indications of a weakened
condition of the heart or nervous system,
and should any of them be present we
would strongly advise the use of then looked beyond me at Marcel, standing agape in the doorway.

"Leave us, Marcel. Go down-stairs. Leave that door open, and shut the door into the corridor."

Marcel obeyed, Monsieur turned to me with a smile.

"Now, Fellx."

I had hardly been able to hold my words back while Marcel was disposed of.

"Monsieur, I knew not, myself, the names of those men. Now I have found out. They—"

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"See. Monsieur. That is the cross on which he swore the plot was not against you. He swore it, and Gervais de Grammont laughted! I swore, too, never to betray them! Two perjuries!"

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I got hold of my cross and tore it off, brea

words back while Marcel was disposed of.

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My eyes met the secretary's fixed excitedly upon me and the words died on my tongue. Even in my rage I had the grace to know that this was no story to tell Monsieur before another.

"I will tell Monsieur alone."

"You may speak before M. Lucas," he rejoined impatiently.

"No," I persisted. "I fust tell Monsieur alone."

He saw in my face that I had strong reasons for asking it, and said to the secretary:

"You may go Lucas."

Lucas protested.

"M. le Duc will be wiser not to see him alone. He is not to be trusted.

"Monsieur cried Monsieur.

"It is no sacrilege!" I retorted. "That is no holy thing since he has touched it. He has made if vile—scoundrel, assasin, parricide!".

Monsieur struck the words from my lips.

"It is true," I muttered.

"Were it ten times true, you have no right to say it."

"No, I have none," I answered, shamed. I might not speak ill of a St. Quentin, though he were the devil's own. But my rage came uppermost again.

"I can bring Monsieur to the house in twenty minutes. Vigo and a handful of men can take them prisoners before they suspect aught amiss. They are only three—he and Grammont and the lackey."

ey."

But Monsieur shook his head.
"I cannot do that."
"Why not, Monsieur?"
"Can I take my own son prisoner?"
"Monsieur need not go," said I, wondering. In his place I would have gone and killed Yeux-gris with my own hands. "Vigo and I and two more can do it. Vigo and I alone, if Monsieur would not shame him before the men."
I guessed at what he was thinking.
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French prison at New Ca

men sailed in an open about 2000 miles. They he dure privations on the hazar age, and were once nearly shi There were originally six in but owing to the sixth man a berth on an American schad left the German possession. The six men were employ cobalt mines, which are abdays' journey from Noumes were working near a beach greatly assisted them to esca escapees, it is stated, are leave men, and as such enjoye ber of privileges. The watch them was not strict. Abou months ago the men made minds to leave the French co after several conferences it we that they should construct. that they should construct.
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tained could not be ascertain thought probable that the m the goods from the store, and them in the forest with the large quantity of bread was until it was like biscuit; and supply of water was obtaine party afterwards secured a se and thus everything was read

Although supervision at the was very lex, the men did not take too many risks, and it was to steal away in the darkness night. A favorable opportunity afterwards presented itself, men set sail for British New It may be mentioned that two party had a knowledge of half. The Run to New Guin. During the voyage to New favorable weather was met wof the time. One night, how gale sprang up, accompanied beas. The little craft was about like a cork on the oce most of the men were kept ously bailing the water out withats and boots for about five The storm then abated, but all visions had been spoilt by

efforts. One suggested the should turn back, but the other not agree. Until within a fesail of British New Guinea the tions were favorable and rapi

Driven Ashore Another storm was encoun the little boat with her six or was driven on to the shore of inhabited portion of the Germ inhabited portion of the Germ session, the boat being cons damaged. Two of the party n escaped losing their lives. Th thrown against a rock and wer carried out to sea, but thei panions rushed to their ass panions rushed to their ass. The men were considerably about the body. Several days before they recovered from theing experience. The other for also suffering from the effects voyage. All were sorry they! New Caledonia, but they quic gained their former good spir fize was made and much of that had been saved was dried. It was certainly not appetize It was certainly not appetize men were almost famished edily of the provisions.

Departure From New Guit Next morning four of the pa work to repair the boat wit timber obtained from the forest occupied some time, and after it was decided to make a fresi The barrels were replenished water and then sail was set for the time of the company of the most northern to stands from ing the Bismarch. reland—the most northern islands forming the Bismarck pelago. This, part of the jour cupied over a month. On reachisland the men tramped for man

All proved to be good workme All proved to be good working escapees told their fellow-work their startling experiences, an even did not disguise the fact they had escaped from the colony. No notice was taken a story for a time. By some how-ser word reached Dr. Hahernor of the Bismarck archivages headquarters are at He hohe, that the men were escape communicated with the officials Ireland and asked that the men be sent to Herbertshohe to in him. Accordingly the men we spatched to the capital. It is a that the men told the governormers are supported to the capital. hat the men told the govern hey had left New Caledonia in oat without the permission uthorities. They, however, hat they were really free men.

Employed by Governmen The most peculiar part of the fair is the fact that two of the after telling their story to the go were given employment by the Two others had sufficien to keep them for a time, and work until their capital was exh A fifth man secured work as a mith, and the sixth as a watc The blacksmith was subsequen gaged by the captain of an Ar er, which left port shortly While engaged in their