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of waterbowl and pitcher being smash, ed upon the floor. The Government agent vanished in the opposite direc-tion. Over his shoulder he saw the form of a man who bulked large turn the corner of the hall, shop, then fair-ly dash to the door of the girl's room and sent it bursting from its hinges with two blows of his powerful shoul-ders. Synopsis of Preceding Chapters.

Synopsis of Preceding Chapters. Louie Vogel, a notorious criminal, is offered \$5,000 by Lebrun to kidnap Judge Graham, terror of evil-doers. As Lebrun leaves "Silver Danny's" seloon, he is observed by Ralph Charlton of the Department of Just-tice who has dubbid him "The Gray Wolf." Vogel takes the \$1,000 given him to bind the compact to Stella Lathrop, a country girl he had found starving in the city and befriended. Stella is now earning honesit wages in a factory and refuses to marry Vogel unless he gives up his evil ways. She has, however, fallen a convert to Bolshevism. Vogel carries out his pact. Judge Graham lies bound in a shack some miles out of the city. "The Gray Wolf" demands that the Judge should let certain prisoners off with merely a fine. Threats of death for himself and torture for his son have no weight a fine. Threats of death for himself and torture for his son have no weight with the just Judge. Charlton becomes suspicious of "The Gray Wolf" and Vogel. Stella Lathrop joins the Inner Council. Charlton visited Stella to find out if she knew of Vogel's where-abouts and in the hotel hall encoun-tered Lebrune.

CHAPTER VII.

A Game of Hide and Seek. Around the turn of the hall Charl-ton paused. He knew that Lebrune had not recognized him. In fact, he was not at all sure that the other even was not at all sure that the other even knew him. Instantly he made up his mind that he would try to learn what had brought "The Gray Wolf" to this place. If, as Charlton suspected, Le-brune and Vogel were concerned in the disappearance of Judge Graham, then "The Gray Wolf" probably had come Gray Wolf" probably had come e hotel to see "Red Stell."

to the hotel to see "Red Stell." These suspicions were confirmed when, poking his head cautiously around the turn of the hallway, the Government agent saw Lebrune at the door of the girl's room. Evidently they were acquainted, for her door stood open and both she and the man were plainly outlined against the square of light from the windows of her rooms streaming through the doorway. doorway.

Charlton observed that they seemed to be in argument of some kind, al-though their voices did not carry to him. He edged himself past the corner of the hall and, keeping his back against the wall, inched along in direction. He saw Lebrune attempt to push past her into the room, saw her thrust him back and attempt to close the door, saw "The Gray Wolfs" foot shoved between door and jamb, saw him throw his weight against the door and force it inward,

jamb, saw him throw his weight against the door and force it inward Then he was inside the room and the door closed behind him. As Charlton, running noiselessly on the balls of his feet, hurried to the door his ears caught the click of a ment later he was crouched beside the door, one eye watching the hallway against the appearance of witnesses big on other duits calling un

hey being turned in the lock. A mo-ment later he was crouched beside the door, one eye watching the hallway against the appearance of witnesses to his eavesdropping, his ear pressed tight against the panels. "So, little one, you do not permit men to visit your room," Lebrune was asying in his oily manner. "Well, per-mission or no permission, I am here I couldn't stay away. Your hair, your eyes, your adorable mouth, all called to me, with the voice of the tempter. And I am only a man. I yielded and I came." "Give me that key," demanded the girl savagely. Lebrune laughed. "Later, perhaps. Not now. First, I propose to be repaid for paying you a call. Your lips are alluring, my dear. Come now, a little kiss or two and I am your slave." "No." Indignation, wrath, were in

age around the corner, where he ord-ored gasoline enough to fill the tank, oil in the crankcase and water in the radiator. Sait he'd he back after it at once. He went then to another room he rents near by. The boys say he changed clothes and that it appear-ed to them that he looked pretty wide around the waist. They think he strapped a couple of guns to himself. When they telephoned he was back in front of the hotel with the car all ready for a run."

off anything in this neck of the woods." "Well, here's luck to them;" said Charlton. "I-wender what Lebrune is doing? I'll bet a little money that there'll be some action soon." They weren't left in doubt for long, almost immediately the telephone rang again and the man trailing "The Gray Wolf" reported that he had rushed home from the hotel after the encounter with Vogel, run out his roadster and departed north with a motorcycle policeman in pursuit. Another hour the old clock ticked off and Griffin and Charlton had just agreed that they would go some place and have dinner together when the ders. With a roar like that of a madden-ed bull the newcomer sprang through the opening. Instantly there was the vicious crack of an artomatic, a wisp of smoke fluttered through the door-way into the hall, the acrid smell of gunpowder was walted to Charlton's nostrils. Then a human body was catapulted out of the room and sprawled out upon the floor in a hud-dled heap. Charlton was wondering whether the man were dead, when he arose, shook his fist in the direction of the smashed door, cut loose with a volley of curses and fairly loped to-ward the stairs. The Government agent tarried only

Another hour the old clock taken off and Griffin and Charlton had just agreed that they would go some place and have dinner together when the telephone again rang and their hopes came tumbling about their ears. Vogel, too, had driven north and with him in the car was Stella Lathrop. The police car with two complacent detectives had easily kept him in sight until beyond the city limits, then a blowout had sent the pursuers over the side of the road into a ditch. The crestfallen and disappointed sleuth who was telephoning reported that several minutes later a rakish road-ster had passed the wreck traveling sixty miles an hour and that far in the rear, outdistanced but still try-ing, the motorcycle policeman was a poor second volley of curses and fairly loped to-ward the stairs. The Government agent tarried only long enough to hear the girl's sobbing, "Oh, Louie, he was strangling me," and the gunman's growled reply. Then he heard the sound of a multitude of approaching foosteps and discreetly vanished down a back stairway. "Evidently our friend Lebrune had a little surprise sprung on him," he said to himself, smiling grimly. "Oh, well, when rogues fall out it is pretty near time for honest men to collect." Charlton was very well gatisfied with what he had learned by his visit to Stella Lathrop, although he had not expected to him at one swoop. He had learned that Vogel was back in town, that Stella and Lebrune were both members of some organization called the Inner Council, that Vogel and "The Gray Wolf" were not unknown to each other. For some reason, how-ever, Vogel had returned when Le-brune did not expect him. Verily, the cards were falling right for Charlton. He decided that the next move was to return to Inspector Griffin's office and camp there until the detectives who were trailing Lebrune reported.

(To be continued.)

# The Fallow Fields.

Let the fields lie fallow Bare and brown.

Let the great winds stride over them And the snow come down. Let them lie open to the sun, To the patient rain. And the dews whiten them

to return to Inspector Griffin's office and camp there until the detectives who were trailing Lebrune reported. He was satisfied, too, that Griffin's men by this time had learned that Vogel was in his old haunts and were shadowing him. At any rate he would play safe and telephone. "Got both of your men under sur-veillance," réported Griffin as soon as he had recognized the Government agent's voice over the wire. "I think you had better come down and roost here for a while unless you have some-thing better to do." E'er they yield again. Plow in the sturdy weeds.

The common flower, Let their wild vigor yield A lusty dower.

> Then after sun and snow, After dew and sleet, From the earth will spring the green

Flame of the wheat.

### Tradition in Navies.

The navies of the world are peculiar in their traditions and customs. The wide collar on the seaman's shirt remains, though the grease-slushed queue has long been forgotten. The American man-o-war's man wears a black neckerchief because the British sailor put it on as a badge of mourning for Lord Nelson; the three white braids on his collar are similarly adopted in token of memory of Nelson's victories at Copenhagen, Battle of the Nile and Trafalgar. the

He has put a star in each corner that queue-guarding collar, and he nolds to some other peculiar ideas, which other services share, but the pattle between the Monitor and the Merrimac, the morning of Sunday, March 9, fifty-nine years ago, is re-membered and memorialized by all the great battleships of the world's navies without regard to nation, re-



beside the hearthstone, Little Play

Scamper through the garden though love the home

shrub and vine This is all my longing, through the passing hours. Bring to me your troubles, bring to

me your joy, Share with me your secrets, sure

nderstand, Happily thus I keep you, still my little

boy 'Till you cross the portal, into Mar hood's land.

Noise of drum and timbrel, noise shout and song, Every sport and pastime that yo

call delight. glad am I to hear them for th Well

day were long Had I no such memory, left with m

at night. Home and hearth and mother, all be

long to you Let them only serve you, training heart and hand Till a gallant laddie, strong and

staunch and true You shall cross the portal into Man

hood's land.

# Building the New Home,

In building a new house the first onsideration is the location. The site for the home must be dry. It would be interesting to know how much of the illness of the world may be traced back to damp buildings. Probably with the exception of bad food, no other one thing is at the bottom of s much ill health as dampness in the building where most of one's time is spent. Catarrh, anaemia, rheumatism tuberculosis, may be the result of living in a damp house. And if a robust constitution, coupled with outdoor work, prevents the occurrence of any actual illness such as these, at least the body is robbed of much needed vitality. Besides the injury to health dampness in a building hastens its deterioration.

In choosing a site, then, look for a location which promises a dry founda-tion. Bed rock, of course, is ideal, but this is not always to be found where the home must stand. Sand and gravel is next best, with clay the poorest foundation soil of all. If there is no other choice, the excavating should be carried well below the frost line. If you do not know by previous digging the exact nature of the soil, find out what it is before deciding definitely on

If possible, build the home on a knoll where it will receive sun and air from all sides. The old way of building your home in the midst of a grove is passed. We know now that such a course invites dampness and tuberculosis. This does not mean that there is to be no shade. A few trees located so as to shut off the fiercest sun in midsummer, or perhaps to break the cold winter winds, add to the comfort of the family and looks of the place. Of course, the direction the house faces must be decided by the locatio of the farm. A south or an east face are considered the best, but if north or west must be our choice, the room may be planned so as to place those where we spend the most time on the sunny side of the house. Put your own

The next question is material. Shall we have brick, cement, concrete we have brick, coment, concrete blocks, stucco, field stone, frame, or a combination of one or two? Some ma-terial which will not need to be paint-ed is desirable, unless the first cost actually prevents using it. Frame houses do not cost so much-or have not in the past-but when the cost of maintime every few years is connot in the past-out when the cost of painting every few years is con-sidered, it is a question if the frame house does not cost more in the end. Field stone is an enduring material, and if you have it yourse'f, is inex-pensive although the cost of laying is somewhat greater than the expense of putting up brick. Brick is the ideal building material according to many. It absorbs less moisture than stone, drys quicker, and is a poor conductor

In building your basement, plan for plenty of windows to come in the proper location for your purpose. The basement should be aired as religiously as the house, especially if a part of ly as the house, especially if a part of it is used to store vegetables. Many cases of epidemics in neighborhoods have been traced to unventilated vege-table cellars beneath old houses. Then if you are to have a modern house with furnace and laundry in the base-ment, provide for windows through which coal may be put into the coal bin, and light thrown on the furnace. A window over the laundry tubs is an absolute necessity for successful absolute necessity for successful washing. If you are to have laundry washing. If you are to have laundry and furnace, separate the two by a solid concrete wall, otherwise your washroom will be always flecked with coal soot. The best location for the cistern is below the basement floor. The location of the furnace must be considered. If a hot-air furnace is used it is thought to give better reused it is indugint to give better re-sults if placed about the centre of the basement. This does away with any extra long pipes. If hot water or steam are used, the plant may be put

in a corner of the basement. An out in a corner of the basement. An out-side chimney saves planning rooms to conceal it, but wastes heat. Decide which is most important to you, sym-metrical rooms, or the small amount of heat lost by having the chimney run up the outside wall. If you are to have a fireplace, the chimney must

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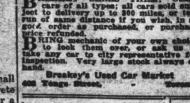
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have a separate flue. Arrange to have an ash pit for the fireplace built into the chimney, with a door in the base-ment for the removal of ashes.

ment for the removal of ashes. Whether you expect to have elec-tricity right away or not, have the house wired for electricity when it is built. If, women are to stay on the farm they must have the work made lighter, and there is no cheaper nor more efficient helper than electricity. even if you are going to have acety-lene or gasoline for lighting, plan on electricity for power. It will cost very little extra while building and if you should sell the farm, the knowledge that the house is wired will not hurt the sale. the sale.

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Powdered Fish as Food.

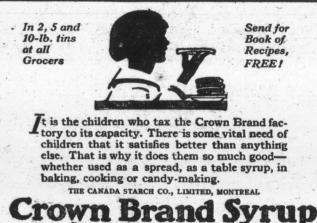
When shark livers have been pres ed for "cod-liver oil," or in other cases where oil is derived by like means from various fishes, there is left over a residue called "cake," which is com-monly utilized as fertilizer.

A Japanese, Sadikichi Satow, has developed a process whereby this cake can be made available for human food. The material is dried in a high vacuum at low temperature and ground to powder. An enzyme (inorganic ferment) is added, to render the albuminous part of it soluble; the latter is then extracted with water, reduced to dryness by evaporation in vacuo and again powdered by grind-

ing. The albuminous extract thus obtained in pawdered form is available for the making of soups and for other culinary uses. It is, of course, very nourishing.

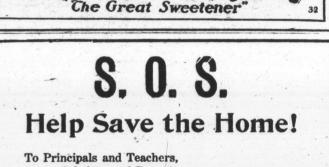
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