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THE BATILE OF THE GOLDEN SPURS

BY Kendrik conscience

CHAPTER IX (Continued) On reaching the French lines Deconinck and tie
nerald of the gulld
duced into the tent of De Chatilimenediately int intro the Dean
 give you to know, by me their deleggto and spokee
man, that, in order to avoid usueless bloodghed they helegs, siniee it is a noble and honorable feriling ant leads thers to profier their sabmission, the
 ried by a newitimpost t poon the commons ; seciond neir offices ; and lastly, that no one be prosecuted
diaturbed on account of any part he may hav
 - What !" exclaimed the governor alk is this ? : How dise
 That is very posibi, repied Deconino
 at motion have ní how to dia for their country.
 liscretion:

 erate resistance, prudence strongly dictated

 Hitiong propoised: were by no menas to tis taste retext forievading: theim; but he had a euprem

 loud yoicooiko gave the sflgail for advaícing the







## $\overline{\text { chatter }}$



 It might seem, indeed, as though nothing nee
stand in the way of bis inmediately carrying ou
this design, this deeign, meetng that the city was occupited b
his troops in overpowering force; nevertheless Is troops in overpowering force ; inerertheless
ootive of policy restraned him for a time He was
ansious, in the frost instance, to establish his dor oion on a firm and percmanent basis; and this io for all the powerof the grilds, and erecting a stron
citadel in order to overame the town ; this accom sizeed Matilda wai prepared, ,withont fard her of to France. The arrival and entry of the French troops ha
filled Adolf of Nienuland with the most serious ap
preenentone for his young charge, now in the mid prehenstons for his young charge, now in the mid th ot enough to get Rt case tine mind of thb th so
night. After the lapee of some weeks, howe linding that in fact no molestation was offered to
the fair girl, he began to think that the French ha
oither forgoten her existence altogether or els hat they had ceased to have any hostile dessig dit the gkillfrel care of his porsician, had don
deir mork ; the colour returned to his cheels, and
 resh sonrce of anriety and sadness. Day br da
it was his gief to bebold the dangher of his prince
 so life to her tender and gonerous care coold d
othing to help her, nothing to comfort her! Net sher kind attention nor pleasant words woold bring
sile p pon the countenane of the sorowing
maiden ; sigh and tears were the only utterance o er heart; ;ighbs and tears for her or fithertis nuhapp
 oure to miligate her grief were incessant and riitlegs; in vain he gought out for her the olde.
 dark forebodings. Gentle, indeed, Bhe was, , wtec
tionate and grateat, but without Ifif, without in
terest in aught around ber. Even her favourit bird gat apart ne
Some; weeks had bow passed since Adolfs complete recovery, when one day sitruck into a narro
he passed the city-gatee and
pathway across the fields, which led him on in dreamy mood towerids the little hamlet of ofevecote the westorn alky was already glowing with the tin
of eveniing. With head bowed down, nal full o

 A. thousand time bad he strained his imagination
tofrind some means of alleviating the young ifa
tiddes lot and as often had he fallen back into ds

 He was now at siome distance from the city



 nd deoppy frirrowed with wrinkles. Like sou
 Sripe and ooldexpebion whether reak ir worn-




## "What mean yon " she cried at lest; " what

 Say, lut so it is, yoble las ma better lot arait rour heart already tell you from whose hand it More he would have said: but, even as be spoke,Nattlda prong frome her ceat, and sanached the
letter from his hand heeks glowing with a colour that had long he he rrager to them, and tears of of soy streaming down
ler cheeks, she broke the seal und tore off the silken cord ; and thrico her eeses wandered over the witt
ong on the phrelment ero sha eermed to catch its
purport. Then, at last, bhe understood it too well nhappy naiden! her tears ceased not to tow, but the canse of them was changed; they were $n$.
longertars of joy but of new and biter sorrom.
"Sir Adolf, at last the said, in a tone of deepinsi "Sir Adolf, at last sho sald, in a tone of deepest
sutherng. "yor joy ado torture to my grief.
What was it you said? light! real, nad weep with
 ment he feared that the priest had dealt treacher.
onsly hy him, and had mado him the bearer of ovil iinselfor the contentes of the letter than his sis.
hions ranished i but recollecting his incantion xclamations, he was sel\%ed with self-repronch, an
 upon the lettor, she repented of her hasty words
and apyroachling where he stood, while a smill
gleamed through her tears.

 rateful for your generous self-derotion."
"Prinecly lady
and exclaimed " I
 was sot for that I go rejotced. Dry your teare

 cart from doubt.",
A slight shado of vexation pnssed acrose
 is own decerts. He answerced therefore, in al I pray You, illinstrious lady, take not my silence
Be assured that you shatl in truth seo my lord, your father, that you shall hear hia beloved
voice, receivo hid warm embrace jand that, too, on
the ooll of our own dear Flanders. More to tell on is not in my power.
Bat tho young malden was not to be thus put of
doulle feellng, her woman's curioity and ungering doubt, -nlike impelled her not to rest till
she had discovered the oolution of the enigma
Eridently not well "Fidently not well pleased, she 〕egan agaln:


 tilda's curiosity grew more and more. Agsin and
agaln hye pressed him to disclog bis secret but
all in vain. To carlosity succeeded Impaifience, to ail in vain. To cariosity succeeded fmparience, to
impatience initation titl at last ahe lost all self
command, and borst into a flood of tears, like it
 ron read her victory in his countenance, an
rawing more closet $y$ to bim regarded him fith mile of pleasure, misle he thus addressed her:
"Listep; then, lady, since it munt be 0 , and hea jopful tidings reached me. I Ind wandered oot to.
frds Sevccote, and was Bitting upon the ban deep in thought, fervently beseechlag Heaven
have mercy puon my lawnil but unappy lor, Ifse I sam before me to stranger priest to my bur ard, and that to me that my praper had bee
 ron. keper tho boon or a feed dayin ilied from a g gen
rondition on that another knight take his placo in
" 0 , joy 1 " exclaimed Matilda ; "I shall see him shall speas with him: Ah, my father! how has
ny heart logged for one kiss from your lips 0 Ol re your word, my brother I But who will b It The man is atready fornd," was the brief re
"The blessings of our Lord be upon him! How imbelf for my fathor's safety! But toll me, now bots this generous linigut? Let me know hit ratitude; that ibithe: lleast return I can make to Fora moment Adof hesitated the words rodid ot, pass his lipi At Atlast, bending one knee to th


