

digestive organs were crying out "we've got no work to do," arose and went, utterly unconscious of poor Randolph laying on the damp and, with the cold, cold sca lapping his luxurious curls, and the shrimps inquisitively peeping into his carholes.

### CHAPTER III.

Randolph lay upon his couch in a raging fever. Some honest fishermen had discovered him and, through the medium of several pawn tickets. enaconced in his vest pocket, had found his address, and taken him home. For weeks he hovered between life and death, raging of Araminta and crawling shrimps. During this time a faithful nurse was ever near him, administering his every spoonful of medicine, and directing the taking of every pill. One day he awoke a new man, and discovered in the ministering angel his faithless Araminta. Explanations ensued. The "other fellow" was her long-lost brother, returned from foreign climes with wealth galore. Randolph recovered rapidly after this. In two hours he was convalescent, in three restored to health, and in two weeks a poor married man.

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WEEPING WOMAN-My son has just been hung.

MADAME D'ARCY—Happy mother !

WREPING WOMAN—Happy?

MADAME D'ARCY—Yes. My son is alive, but he is a dude.—Philadelphia Call.

### A ZEALOUS CHAMPION.

[Intercepted letter published under protest.]

Toronto, Monday.

My Dear Sher,—We made a grand mistake when we didn't work up this holiday racket earlier in the season. People were so chuck full of the idea of a big Semi-Centennial Blow-Out that if the thing had been written about good and strong we'd have got the folks to give up Christmas, shut down on New Year's Day, choke off Good Friday, side-track the Queen's birthday, and maybe drop out every other Sunday or so, on purpose to reserve and combine forces for the solidest, undilutedest, over-proofedest old flare-up they

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ever had in all their born days. I am glad to see you've started even at this late day to hold up our "Semmy" on a long pole. No holidays, no half-time, no lay-off, no nothing between now and the Memorable Anniversary next month, when we'll all go off with a fizz and a bang and a boom-m-m-m! that'll make this old world fairly get up on its hind legs and paw the air. Organize! organize! organize! Enthuse! Enthuse! Hang the monkey-wrench on the safety valve, while you pile in the fat pine!

Ever of thee,

Jack.

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