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CHAPTER XXIII. (Continued.) "Why do you tempt me?" he said; "you know I am all powerful in this castle. Why do you tempt me to do you wrong? I tell you my passion has so burnt up my brain, that before long I shall not know the difference between good and evil." Then he suddenly pressed his great hands to his face, and his whole frame shook. For a few seconds he did not speak; then he flung himself on one knee and kissed her hand.

passion on my lips. The Princess moved towards me, and by the glow of the burning ships I could see the expression on her face. It was such that I could not speak. Pain and joy and fear and love and resolve were so mingled upon her countenance that all thought of self was thrust aside. I read the answer she would give Count Guy of Marmorel.

"My dear lady," I whispered, "can I help you?" "By your silence," she replied; "by leaving unasked what would bias my true judgment, my good and evil, I will have a great burden to bear, and I must bear it alone."

"I know, I know," I answered, "and I would help you." "You do not know all," she said, turning her eyes away from mine. I took her hand and lifted it to my lips, but when I recalled what I had kissed I withdrew it, and she said, "I will have a great burden to bear, and I must bear it alone."

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"On the day itself were placed two chairs, and behind these stood Sir Hugh de la Roche, the King's Chamberlain, the Lord of Marmorel, and Sir Gascon de Varville, who were to Count Guy of Marmorel, the foremost soldiers of the kingdom. I looked at the King, who sat in a low voice, and I tried in vain to glean from his impassive face what he thought of this desperate move. I could not see that he had any opinion, but I saw a gleam of favor. Count Guy was too keen a diplomat and too wary a soldier to have made a false step. It seemed plain to me that he had already sounded the most influential men around him, and was unlikely to say anything which would bring the sword of every loyal subject on his head.

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1800 MEN STRIKE AT SYDNEY, C. B. Mass Meeting of Steel Workers Last Night Refused to Arbitrate.

Sydney, N. S., May 31.—The long expected strike on the plant of the Dominion Iron & Steel Company at Sydney went into effect tonight when 1,800 men quit work, with a determination to stay out until their demands, which are for the restoration of the scale of wages in force before last, are granted to them.

The men met in a mass meeting tonight at which great enthusiasm prevailed and the announcement of a strike was received with rousing cheers. Next hundred men were initiated into the association to-night. All the men out belong to the Provincial Workmen's Association, whose annual strength in the province is about 7,000.

Sydney, June 1.—(Special)—As a result of the strike declared last night by the Dominion Iron & Steel Company, the entire plant today is completely tied up, scarcely a wheel being moving.

There were only about 200 men working in the plant today, most of these being molders, who have not gone off, foremen and clerical staff. Of the number, thirty-eight alone were laborers. None of these are connected with the association.

Mr. Dix Fraser, the acting manager, informed the Telegraph correspondent to-day that they had sufficient men on the works to carry on operations in every department. He said that the company were taking men on as rapidly as they could get them. He also said it was the intention of the company to continue the manufacture of iron and steel with the assistance of men willing to work. He did not appear to be worried very much over the situation, and was under the impression the company would ultimately win.

The electricians and railway engineers connected with the works came out this afternoon. Considerably over 1,800 men are affected by the strike.

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the company as will lead to an immediate settlement. The situation tonight is far from indicating a settlement.

Move to Break Up Union. New Glasgow, N. S., June 1.—(Special)—For some months past, the Nova Scotia Coal & Steel Company have been taking on large numbers of men, and this in apparent need of an additional force, was a matter of surprise to a great many people.

Weddings. A pretty wedding was solemnized Wednesday afternoon, when Miss Olive Lawton daughter of the late Herbert Lawton, of this city, was united in marriage to Henry P. Rankine, Rev. David M. Laing officiated. The ceremony took place in St. Andrew's church at 3.30 o'clock.

Plant Under Police Protection. A large detail of special policemen is now patrolling the works in order to protect the plant and property, as well as any employees working there.

Strikers More Than Half Foreigners. Of men out on strike, considerably over half are foreigners, including Germans, Swedes, Hungarians, Austrians and colored people. Most of the rest are from various parts of Canada and Newfoundland.

Government Intervention Wanted. The Sydney Board of Trade today passed a resolution, urging the government to intervene in the settlement of the existing trouble, either by convincing the employers to accede to their demands for higher wages or by bringing such pressure to bear upon

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THE BERMUDA BAND. Noted Salvation Army Organization Will Play in York Theatre Next Monday Night. The Bermuda Brass Band arrived in Halifax Wednesday morning en route to the York Theatre. The band is composed of eighteen members and a marked improvement is manifest in their playing since they visited the province.