The White Cat

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"Why, doesn't Leah eat with you?" I asked surprised.

"No, I can't quite go that!" she said emphatically, as she made an ir-He's perfectly lovely! He holds his She illustrated a familiar the day would bring forth. restaurant attitude, with the thumb and little finger of her left hand brac- ously, joyously. Suddenly they stoped under a paper knife, the three ped, and then, one by one, I heard always loads up his fork with his knife, a little piece of meat, and a little piece of potato, and a little dab hand, is a way that made me laugh aloud. "You could hear him eat. 'way my chatelaine's visit. up here! Golly!! it makes me hun- Joy came into my room with she was off in a two-step.

mime, after she was gone. How I came back to me. I answered the Chevalier, please!" had misjudged her at first! She seem- greeting without comment, therefore, ed commoner, but our friendship was, and waited for her to set the pace. perhaps, more natural. She was no She was in an exquisitely fresh, next instructed to return with John princess in the tower, but she was a garden hat and gauntleted garden I was improving in health. My bang had been left in the vases. on the head, no doubt, had made me "I'm afraid I neglected you yesteranduly impressionable.

dreary evening alone.

The pounding went on for two hours no rings. or more after dinner, and then Miss Fielding came upstairs to her room.

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ostage stamps.

was no talk between the two women that I could hear.

CHAPTER V.

"Sliced kisses, fried in tears," were revelant athletic gesture. "I have the words I heard Miss Fielding reto draw the line somewhere, you know ply to Leah's morning call, early the I have Uncle Jerdon sometimes, though next day. I had waited long for the just for the fun of seeing him eat. day was bright and I wakened at sunrise. Her fanciful order put me immediately into a good humor, and fork in the Kansas City style, this I was intensely curious to see what

The collies were barking vocifer them greet their mistress. It was very middle fingers curled atop. "Then he prettily done. Leah, coming in, found me smiling, and smiled back at me. Seeing me so much better, she offered timidly to help dress me, and I right, except his tail's set on a bit of butter and a little swish of gravy welcomed her proposal to bring me too high, and there's a little feather and then—" She showed me how, pre-tending to toss it into her mouth, and wiped her lips with the back of her

gry to talk about it!" she added. "I'll sweet, low, "Good morning, Mr. see you later, Chet. Oh-I'll send you Castle!" which threw me back not a up come currant jelly. I made it my- little, after what had taken place on Chevalier's strain harks back to the self; sure cure for the measles! Re- the yesterday. I was about to haz- original Scott—he's quite a swell in member, you have to like it!" And ard some good natured sarcasm, but his way, and has got blue ribbons. But the sight of her face inhibited it, and they all want tri-colored calico dogs I smiled to myself at her panto- fomething of what Lea's had said now. Go over and pay your respects

longer the wonderful, exotic, medieval simple organdy frock, and had on a frank, wholesome creature, full of gloves; her arms were filled with human charms and faults. I decided roses. Her brow wrinkled slightly as by reason of that same analysis, that she noticed the fading blossoms which

day," she said, as she set about re-She did not keep her word in re- moving the dejected roses and putting gard to coming in after dinner. Leah fresh ones in their places. As she brought up my tray, as usual, and came near me I noticed little dewy took it away, saying that she was un- drops on her neatly coiled hair, where able to stay with me. She seemed she had dashed it with violet water. abstracted and nervous, and I for- There was no trace of any other scent bore to question her. I spent a save that of the roses. She drew off of her own youngsters, pure white. and withdraw from Kwanto immediher gloves and I saw that she wore

She sat down for a moment. I had a thin coat, but I love her just as nese. observed before that not only could much!" Taking the forepaws she held She contented herself with putting Miss Fielding be remarkably graceful her own face tantalizingly near the Mikado's claim that Kwanto righther head through the doorway and in pose and in action, but that she dog's tongue. "Just as much, I do. calling out "Good night, Chet!" and could be as astonishingly gauche as Now go over to Mr. Castle, Miss!" then I heard her door slam. There well. Astonishingly, that is, for her Last of all came Hiawatha, a fren--for one who could be so graceful. zied, wriggling, capering puppy, sable This, however, was decidedly one of and white like his mother, yelping, her graceful days, or rather, perhaps, crouching, bounding, hysterical with as Leah had said, moods. Her lines joy. Miss Fielding and I fell to laughmelted and composed. There was ing at his antics, but Hiawatha was positive elegance in the way she used too young to care. He was up on her hands, gesticulating freely. It en- top of my bed in half a minute, and hanced the charm of her voice, so stifling me with his eagerness, laplimpid and full of feeling.

"Isn't it a beautiful morning! What snarling, biting, scratching all at once. You must hurry and convalesce—just enthusiasm had departed, quite out of enough to be able to see the place, and his head with the excitement of the Perhaps you can get into a chair by minutes. She had not forgotton, howtomorrow. Did you hear my dog- ever, to compliment her pets with a for consideration. gies? I can recognize each of them sump of sugar apiece, filched from my The clerk was instructed to write the the voice, and you will be able to. too, if you only stay here long enough. Nokomis is the deepest-toned one. She's the oldest, you know, and the most dignified. Hiawatha is the little yappy one. He's a very silly little

"I'm sorry Nokomis didn't want to come up to see me yesterday," I said. the liberty of asking for her. I know live up to it, though. It inspires me you probably don't often allow them in the house."

"Why, of course, Nokomis can come up; the idea! She'd love to. Would you like to see her now?" Then, with her eyes on mine, and noticing my her skirt the sand the dogs' paws had bewildered look, no doubt, she added, left. "Well, I do like Edna sometimes. the order of this council, unless such with a queer expression, "Nokomis It depends upon my mood, I suppose wasn't quite well yesterday. She is You know I told you I had moods. getting old, you know." She rose Don't try to reconcile me, I know I'm "Will you wait a moment. please? I want to speak to Leah,"

and she went out. Something had passed over spirits, I couldn't tell what. It was like the shadow of a cloud sweeping times I have thought you were a rapidly across a sunny hillside. What- princess in disguise." ever it was it was gone when she

returned. She went directly to the window, threw up the sash, and called down, "Nokomis! Hi, Nokomis!" a bark re-

"Come up here, old lady! Yes, come

The next thing there was a pat-

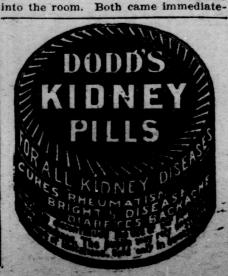
"Go and say 'How d'you do?" to Mr. game." Castle, Nokomis," said Miss Fielding,

pointing at me. Nokomis dropped to the floor again think you must have mistaken my PATTERN DEPARTMENT OF THE and with the dignity of a duchess walked over to where I lay, raised her beautiful eyes to mine, lifted a fore-

paw and laid it on the bed. I shook "Now, Nokomis-" Miss Fielding be-

She was down on the instant, went to her mistress and stood waiting, her right to ask, of course." head on one side, her ears half erect

her tail low. "Go and bring up Chevalier, please." it up yet. Not till I give you specific was the command. Nokomis was off leave of absence. 'I suppose I'm like an arrow, and presently there was spoiled. I want my cake to keep and a to-do in the yard. By this time 1 eat, too." could recognize Nokomis' heavy note I was a little relieved at her recogamong the others. Then she and a nition of her own inconsistency, tan-and-black collie came rollicking though I felt a queer hiatus some





to his hind legs below the bock."

Chevalier whined, and looked up at

Miss Fielding. I was quite ready to

"Oh, that's all right, Chev, you's

O'Groat, a big dog, almost wholly

tray and dropped from the windo

name is the best! It's so like you."

"Oh," I said, looking at her with

"What d'you mean?" she asked,com-

"Yes: it has distinction. I don't se

"Oh, Edna-" she said seriously

why you ever should prefer Edna."

"and I suppose I have that right."

"Oh, that's nice of you! But why?

"You're so mysterious, so whimsi-

"Take care!" she warned severely.

"You still hold me to my promise

"Why not?" she said, a little blank

"Why, I thought we were well off

I couldn't quite get it. "You asked

me all sorts of questions, anyway, you

Her eyes begged for mercy. "I'm

"Oh, I don't mean that, of course

"Can't I row back in a boat, please?"

she pouted whimsically. "Don't give

where. It was as if, mentally, I had

tried to go up a step where there was

none. But I let the subject drop. She

took up the books on the stand and

You couldn't be. You had a perfect

the island-at least you were.

thought that you had given up

"Why?" she asked, looking at

directly, in seeming surprise.

sorry if I was impertinent-"

cal, so detached, so romantic."

I opened my eyes at this.

island, are you?"

-after yesterday?"

know," I ventured.

with strict precedence.

"Why-Joy," I replied.

sometimes when I'm blue."

ing up to me.

Jack? A fine worker, too."

than the others.

booful, good doggie, and I love you!

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believe the dog understood what she Pekin Believes Present Time Good One in Which to Wage a War.

The dog came up to me, was patprepared to fight ted, and left with Nokomis, who was

black, with a rather blunter muzzle "John's got pretty good blood, too, and his mother was from the Lothian Hills, like Norval-no, that was the eign diplomats agree that the Chinese Grampians. A little hollow-backed,

are not bluffing. and his forelegs aren't quite straight but Jack's a good dog, aren't you, The Japanese are wholly disregarding Jack was certainly listening to every word attentively, whether he force, to the disputed territory, that understood or not. After he had gone the Mikado's representatives must dis-Nokomis brought up Minnehaha, one continue attempts at administration "Poor little Minnie," said Miss ately. Instead, Japanese reinforce-Fielding, "she's got yellow eyes and ments are hastening to meet the Chi-

> The latter treat with derision the nese and will be protected at any cost.

ping my face and hands, growling, shame it is that you can't get up. When this frisky, capering bunch of Hodgins, first deputy-reeve; S. Frank Glass, John Gillson, councilor.

A communication from Messrs. Meredith. not so much as to have to go away. Visit, Miss Fielding talked dog for ten Jadd & Meredith, re Proof Line read and Turville agreement, was read. Laid over

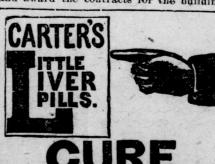
> commissioners in the years 1906 and 1906. admiration, "I do think your own Westminster Township Council that they

are forbidden by the authority of the London Township Council from removing or authorizing to be removed any gravel from "Of course it is! Isn't it fun to have the Byron bridge hill, in this township, "But I hope you'll pardon my taking a name like that? One has quite to and further, that the township of Westminster be requested to render to this township a statement of all gravel taken by their authority from said hill, and a check to cover same, on the basis of 40 cents per cord.

The council forbids the further removal She waited a moment, to shake from of gravel from the Byron bridge hill by any person or persons whatever, except on gravel as may be required for the use of London Township on its roads, or unless authorized by this council. Notice is to be inconsistent. But I'm a woman," she posted, stating that any person removing gravel without authority, as herein speciadded, looking up more brightly, fied, will be treated as trespassers and will be prosecuted by law. William Weir was "I haven't decided whether you're appointed overseer of Byron hill gravel a woman or not" I returned "Somepit, to be paid a commission of 10 per cent on all gravel sold

held in the clerk's office at 1:30 o'clock p.m. 'You aren't trying to swim off the

8. F. Glass was appointed to open tenders



began to look them over. "Don't you think Leah reads beautifully?" she asked. "It's charming to hear her, but if you don't mind I prefer to hear you." She took all my compliments so graciously, without either embarrassed denial or vanity, that I loved to watch her when I tried a gallantry. Now

she only nodded to me, sweepingly, with mock deference, and went on: "Leah and I disagree somewhat. I have more manner, perhaps, and less rhythm. We read a good deal to-gether. I think she sees Browing much more clearly than I. Perhaps I feel him more keemy."

[To be Continued.]

LEAP UPON JAPS

Pekin, Sept. 5.-Rather than permit Japan to establish title to the immensely rich Kwanto region, Cina is

No secret is made of the fact that Chinese statesmen and military leaders consider the period of Japan's exhaustion, following the struggle with Russia a favorable one to wipe out old scores with the islanders. For-

They regard a clash as imminent. the warning of the Chinese commander, now on his way with a strong

fully belongs to Korea and is subject as such to Japanese rule. They say the territory is unquestionably Chi-

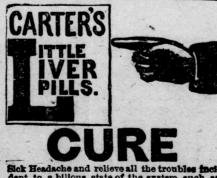
TOWNSHIP COUNCILS

London Township Council met in the town hall, Arva, on Tuesday, Sept. 3. Present: George Kimball, reeve; James H. second deputy-reeve; B. C. Brooks and

ment of \$100 for gravel taken from the Byron hill gravel pit, and used by the The clerk was instructed to notify the

It was voted that this council meet the authorities of the Grand Trunk Railway on Saturday, Sept. 7, to confer re the construction of the overhead bridge at Hale and Trafalgar streets, the meeting to be Councilor Gillson reported the floor of Brough's bridge to be in need of repairs, and it was voted that the floor of this bridge be cleaned off and inspected, and that where necessary new planks be placed, the matter to be left to Councilor Gillson with power.

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of the cement sidewalks on Hamilton road, Elgin and Egerton streets. It was voted that the cuivert opposite

lot 27, con. 7, be filled in. The following accounts are to be paid. F. G. Fuller, taxes, \$1 90; Arthur Webb, burying dog, \$1; Free Press, advertising, \$11; Advertiser Company, printing, \$3; Benjamin Matthews, repairing two bridges, finding material and work, \$12; Fenton Paisley, repairing culvert and bridges, \$10 50; John Ryan, grading and repairing culvert, \$14 50; James Whalen, gravel, \$11 25; Henry Stanley, spreading gravel, \$1 25; Richard Coursey, do., \$1 25; Uriah Hodgins, gravel, \$6; Thomas Hodgins, gravel, \$1 25; James Wright & Co., pipe for water trough, \$4 51; Walter Crossan. drawing gravel, stone and sand, and filling in at Elliott's Creek bridge, \$154 41; F. G. Fuller, gravel, \$8 60; R. Sissons, gravel, \$8; Ben Scott, coal oil and lighting lamps, \$2 97; William J. Dann, drawing planks and repairs to bridge, \$3; C. W. Bayliffe, repairs to bridge, \$2; Peter Bowey, material and building cement arch bridge, Elliott's Creek, \$440; George Morrison, digging township portion of Needham award drain, \$22; W. J. Anthistle, concrete Sipe

for culvert, \$24 15. The following persons addressed the ouncil: Elijah Bavin, re accident to Mrs. Morris at alleged defective sidewalk in Sunshine Park; no jurisdiction. George Walker, re drain in front of his property, Proof Line road; referred to John Gillson. Samuel Berryhill, re culvert, Brough-

dale; referred to S. F. Glass. Tenders for the construction of the Flood drain were received as follows: Peter Johnston, \$1,599; William Stidwell, \$1,476; Thomas Henry, \$1,499; Graham & McKay, \$1,585. Contract awarded to Thos. Henry. Council adjourned. Mary Grant, clerk.

most as quickly as money gets away ers. France consented to rank wood teed, your money back if it fails. Mexico is pretty well fixed in the

matter of holidays, there being 131 each year. There are 62 Sundays, 52 and sheep may enter the French marsaints' days, 15 feast days, 3 hold days, kets. 3 national holidays, and 6 family feast

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Marseilles is anxious to have a line of steamers direct to Canada. A subvention awaits the firm enterprising enough to establish it. Messrs. Fielding and Brodeur, and the French consul at Montreal, who was an active agent in the negotia-

tions, hope to sail for Canada Tues-

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