

best coffee.

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money in it.

man a sovereign, saying she would

to drive her to Victoria Station.

ment at seeing Olive.

"Gone to

and began to cry.

comfort for the other.

clared Anna at last.

With a feeling of consummate sat-

off pursuit, she took a ticket to Brix-

Olive fell into a chair and stared at

They suspected me"; and she de-

scribed what had occurred that morn-

"He will be arrested," cried Anna,

It was extremely probable,

sult to themselves and to her plans.

"But nothing can be done to Karl,"

"I did my best. I could

rather alarmed her.

swer for it."

refused to reply.

wait without more talking," and when

retorted

But in a few seconds she perceived the foolishness of running; and, servant's suspicions, and Olive thought although she felt like a hunted thief she was to be turned out at once. and her heart was beating fast in fear, she compelled herself to slacken that her mistress had sent her to see down her pace to a walk.

The next corner was a small street, woman's prejudice sufficiently to be and as she turned into it, she caught shown them. She declared they would sight of two of the footment from the suit her, and completed her victory minister's, who came running out of over the landlady by offering to pay a Her heart gave a great throb of until her mistress could come and see Tear and she gave herself up for lost. them on the following day. In say-

But fortune favored her with a chance ing this, she took out her purse and and her own wits helped her to take let it be seen that there was plenty of Over the fanlight of one of the For more than an hour she stayed

tip the steps, rang the bell, partly extremely particular; and, as a sort closing the front door, and stood back of conscience money, she gave the wobehind it out of sight. , The servant was a long time be- write that night to decide. fore she answered the bell, and in the Then she glanced at the clock and this interval Olive saw one of the footmen gave a little cry of dismay at finding

run past the house. "I wish to see the apartments," she might call her a cab. She waited a said to the maid. After a curious few seconds at the door to make cerstare the girl admitted her reluctantly tain that no one was about, and, and without leaving her alone, called jumping into the cab, told the man

to her mistress

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A pattern of this illustration will be mailed to any address on the receipt of being in any danger troubled and 10 cents in silver or stamps. tried her beyond endurance.

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would not sit there so calmly when he Please send the above-mentioned had my doubts. If you loved him as is in danger like this. I have always pattern, as per directions given below, I do, you would be in tears as I am." me where I can go to tell the others, and whom I ought to tell, and I'll go

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such circumstances would be fraught | ble made here." with much more danger and embarface Jack and his chief at South

An hour or two passed in this way, and then Rosenstein and a companion arrived. Karl had asked him to come, as there was likely to be news. BANKS AND THE Anna told him what had occurred, giving not only the facts but her own opinions interspersed with copious

"Why did you not let some of us know at once" he asked, looking very grave at the ill tidings. "I would not leave her and could

not bring her with me," declared Anna She was growing more and more bitter with Olive, as the time passed and no word of her brothes came to ease her mind. "You are stupid, Anna," said Rosen-

stein. This appeared to be a sort of accepted maxim with them all. "If you had any reason for your thoughts, would the Fraulein have come back

fered to go anywhere and do anything merce but men in public life. The di-I could," put in Olive.

Without replying, Rosenstein took his companion out of the room, and The mistress appeared to share the presently returned without him. "I have sent to Gideon Mawford," he announced. "I will wait here until he She invented a tale to the effect returns with instructions. We may meanwhile get news from Karl."

the rooms, and at length overcame the Anna immediately commenced voluble restatement of her side of the matter, emphasizing the fact that they did not know anything about Olive except her own statements. This had foreseen and prepared for months bedeposit if the rooms could be reserved an effect upon him, and he was beginning to question Olive closely, when Karl himself returned.

hugged him tearfully, and fussed over resources of the banks were employed him as a hen over a returned chick; to the limit, of safety. It became and then, in a curiously nervous man- necessary to refuse additional adhouses was a card "Apartments," and there, asking innumerable questions ner, told him what she had feared, and vances and strictly to hold customers the outer door stood open. She ran on the ground that her mistress was a garbled story of her suspicions of

would have caressed Olive, but she comparatively safe position. was quick to see her chance to evade

it so late, and asked that the servant 'Anna has shown that she hates me; she has abused me for a traitor, and tion in the value of securities and a has kept me as a prisoner, when I decided check to mercantile business; could have gone out to help you. I but this addition of affairs did not will not come between brother and come suddenly and so though trouble

isfaction at having been able to shake learn what had occurred, and broke commendable good sense. At no time in at this point. "Tell us what hap- was there trace of panic in Canada. pened, Karl?"

ton and made her way to Ajax street. not over. Anna Hartmann was at home, and uttered a cry of astonishand a hot wrangle ensued, in which the gravity of the situation, reduced Olive had a glimpse of the real nature their requirements in every possible "Where is Karl?" was her first of the man, almost brutal in its selfish direction. The result was pronounced flerceness.

"I don't know, Anna. I have not reply to Rosenstein's message to Mer- that the time for special caution and "Not seen him What can you

mean? He has gone to see you, to get against Rosenstein—that he had dar-At this Karl's wrath was turned over. ed to interfere and accuse her to the Cromwell Gardens house, do you leader. They would have actually nean?" cried Olive in blank amazecome to blows, indeed, had not Olive herself intervened.

the matter, Rosa? You are as white not quarrel on my account. Let us United States which cannot fail to her in overwhelming dismay. "I have and Olive listened with a chill The message was then delivered. had to run away from the house. dread and foreboding.

She saw at once the significant danger it threatened to her.

CHAPTER XXIV.

ourse; and Olive was divided beween pleasure at being relieved from the embarrassments of his wooing there was evidently and concern at what might be the re-For a long time the two women liscussed the matter, neither of them being able to extract the slightest Baumstein attended also. "We must let the others know," de-

that Merridew would recognize her under such circumstances.

Her one chance now was to find an is concerne their faith. opportunity of escaping, but Rosenstein made this impossible. He was bank itself presented to the meeting a dogged, sullen man, and Karl's bit- was of a satisfactory character. The ter words and flerce threats had earnings of the half-year were given changed a tendency to believe in Olive at \$360,573, and with the balance into a set resolve to make matters as brought forward at June 30, after payunpleasant as he could for her. He ment of the half-yearly dividend, gave would make her feel the anger he was the directors \$536,746 to deal with.

was the only soul in the world she out into a fresh passion, and loaded sum was added to the reserve. Ap-Rosenstein with abuse. But the lat- propriations were made for pension ter made no reply. He sat with arms funds for the staff, whose members folded, leaning back in his chair, a also received a bonus of \$19,466. block of impassive obstinacy.

"Tell me what happened at Crom-"You do not care for him, or you well Gardens, Karl," said Olive, after ther balance carried forward. The a time, to stem the torrent of his capital of the banks is \$4,866,666, supanger. She began to fear that there ported by a reserve fund of \$2,336,000. would be bloodshed unless he was in some way checked; and, after a last have a good proportion in the immedi-"It is not my way to weep. But tell burst of indignant vituperation of ately available classification. The bank Rosenstein, he told them.

"Nothing, of course. What did they think? That I am a fool?" and he "No," cried Anna, angrily. "You glanced fiercely at his sister and Rosenstein, and laughed very angrily. on purpose. We do not know who "Did they think I should just walk you are. You came with a tale, and up to the house and ask for you? you won round Karl because you are Fools! I waited about near the house pretty; but pretty looks are not and soon perceived that something everything. You shall stay here until was amiss. I suppose I have eyes!" someone comes, and then we can tell And again he turned on the others. "I waited, perhaps two hours or This hint of treachery was very three hours, and watched. I guessed disconcerting, and the intention to the reason of all the commotion, and prevent her leaving angered Olive and my fear was that you had been discovered. After a long time I saw the "You are foolish, Anna," she said, police go to the house—a detective checking her anger. "If I had done inspector from Scotland Yard. I what you hint, should I have come knew him-Inspector Robson-and I back here? I do not wish to go. But looked every moment to see him bring CAUTION.—Be careful to inclose do not repeat such things to me, or you out in custody, Rosa. But the time went on and nothing happened; "Ah, you think you can twist him and then he left the house in the comwhatever it may be. When in waist not all in love with you, remember foreign office, Mr. Fenwick, and they you have done it, and you shall an- waited, and next the minister himself left in his carriage; and then I knew

"Well, then we'll wait until someone comes as you say, and we had better wait without more talking," and when angrily, Olive the housekeeper, that silly woman, Mrs. Grimston; you know how she She was extremely uncomfortable talks and talks and talks until your none the less. If any of the men took head swims. Well, I asked her for the Anna's view of the matter, it was character of a servant, saying I was quite possible that awkward conse-quences might follow. The situation a name at random; she declared, of

threatened to develop into one very course, that no such girl had been like that at Cromwell Gardens, where with her; and in a few minutes I had she would be questioned by those who the whole story about you, Rosa. She were full of suspicions of her good is a fool, that woman. And then I faith; and any examination under came away to find all this silly trou-

"It was very clever, Karl," said assment than had she remained to Olive; and then described what had passed at the house before she had run away.

(To be Continued.)

Financial Troubles Were Anticipated and Prepared

chairman at the annual meeting of the shareholders of the Bank of British North America, held in Montreal, there were said many things that "I asked that very question and of- should interest not only men in comrection and management of the banks are noted for the carefulness with which they look after the interests intrusted to them, which is shown by the steadily successful record of the institution and in the figures of its statements. Their branches extend beyond the limits of Canada and enable them to get the opinion of experts in all the leading trade centers of this continent.

Mr. Hoare told his hearers that the financial troubles of last year were fore the public had began to imagine that anything unpleasant was in store for it. The demand for money to-Anna threw her arms round him, wards the close of 1906 was keen. The within limits. The result was that when the storm burst in the United Karl was very angry with her, and States, Canada found herself in a

The Money Stringency.

"No, Karl," she said, drawing back. of money continued and even in To quote Mr. Hoare, the stringency creased, with a consequent depreciawas nigh at hand, people remained Rosenstein was meantime eager to calm and faced the situation with The banks did their utmost to supply But even then her anxieties were for her treatment of Olive to listen, ers, and the customers, recognizing satisfactory. It does not appear And in the midst of the quarrel, the however, from what Mr. Hoare added conservatism can yet be said to be

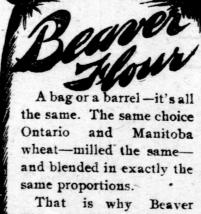
The after effects in the United States have still to be considered There are some who think these effects are only temporary. Mr. Hoare thought, and since he spoke events "Where else should I mean? What "Why, then, should you? You must even depression may follow in the affect business in Canada. He pointed out also that in Europe trade has passed the high-water mark and entered upon a period of diminishing activity. In Canada in some parts the harvest was disappointing and there is less money than usual available for distribution.

Wise Suggestions.

The message which Merridew sent The time is one for municipalities, in reply to Rosenstein was that manufacturers, merchants, individuals treachery and for labor, to examine their posisomewhere; that the matter must tion, re-value their assets, criticise be sifted to the bottom; and that as their expenditure, and when necessary there was a meeting that evening to institute economies. Such process consider another instance of the same will be useful, and will serve to build sort, Rosenstein was to see that Rosa the foundations of future progress and prosperity, even if the recovery Olive had presence of mind in effect from present conditions should be as indifference, and to agree willingly to rapid as the optimists hope. And with attend the meeting; but she did not promise of an enlarged crop area in hide from herself the virtual certainty the West, and the hope of a fair return for agricultural industry in the East, the optimists, so far as Canada is concerned, have a foundation for

There was transferred to bank prem-On hearing the message Karl broke ises account \$97,333, while a like dividend of 3 per cent with a bonus of 1 per cent was decided on and fur-

The assets are distributed so as to makes its practice agree with its



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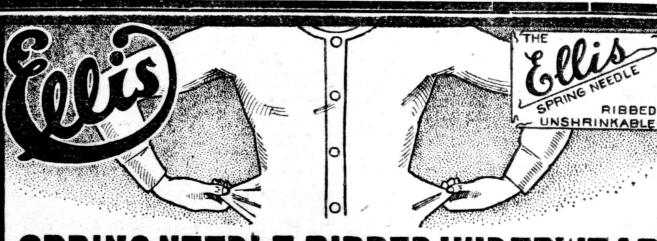
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