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Active Treatment,

The great danger in troubles



an abrupt termination with the sud-den rising of the Premier Lord Alphington's colleagues watched him suredly save the country from humil- doubt, and that the crime was

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nervously as he strode to the door iation; only a bold front can prevent most cruel, the most cunning, th of the council chamber, and watched him with graver apprehension as he turned there and faced them, his usu-ally impassive countenance ablaze

struct or resign. For twenty seconds the great statesman stood with his majestic figure framed in the black oak of the sincerity. You could take him ser-shaking his mane like an angry lion, he turned and was gone. the turned and was gone. he turned and was gone. with hos who had no need for laughter of that kind, inasmuch as in his catastrophe.'' His hearers were not deceived by his heroies, though they struggled hard to believe that in their own in-timent was really genuine. ''But if the fellow is going to be hanged how could he serve our-I

he turned and was gone. After an interval of awe-struck sil-ence the other ministers followed him who had been the cause of this unre-who ha who had been the cause of this unre-hearsed effect. These pulled their ment which he himself meant in earn- retary of War was not an imagina-I recommended it to a friend, I had spent what seemed a lifetime

charse denet. These punded their prepared for an in-formal discussion of their position. The tall man with the stooping shoulders and the yellow snags of teeth was Sir Gideon Marske, the Chancellor of the Exchequer; the pon-derous, oily man was Mr. Northmoor, open-eared. Yes, the remark was fol-the Home Secretary; the brisk little lowed by the short wheezy cough the strings and the little figure will-man with the furtive eve was Vis-significant of intention. interjected the Home I have ever taken, man with the furtive eye was Vis- significant of intention. "Escape,"

count Trevose, Secretary of State for War. In their different ways they all men sat and looked at each other in grasped the situation to a nfcety. I an awe-struck silence, which Sir Gid- can see to it that the cage is left unlooked frightened.

And well they might, for having failed to carry their point at this, the stormiest cabinet council of the entury, they were left face to face with the prospect of being stripped of the thing be done?" an awe-struck silence, which Sir Gid-can see to it that the cage is left un-fastened and that the bird fluttur-fastened and that the cage is left un-fastened and that the bird fluttur-fastened and that the bird fluttur-work sector fluttur-fastened and that the bird flutur-fastened and that the bird fluttur-fastened and th al politicians each and all, they were "You have heard of the Rivington freedom." none of them rich, and the Premier's murder case, for which one Arthur "But what of Herzog himself?" ed to Herzog's hands came under the category of the Chancellor's senten-threat to reconstruct or resign touch. Rivington is now lying under sent- Lord Trevose suggested uneasily. "I tious pronouncement. All that they any amount of newspaper talk. Try

but impecuations men. "Political assassination has long been in the limbo of the past, or it as how should they not, when all would be a case for a hired bravo of the many starting with the infamy of the many starting of the relative time where concerned with was the assur-the is an unmitigated scoundrel. We ance, with which Sir Gideon was able should be simply delivering ourselves to satisfy them, that the proposed tool was so utterly discredited, and his dossier so well known to the per- **VORKSHIRE** would be a case for a hired brave England was ringing with the infamy to act as go-between in such an al-and a dagger," said Sir Gideon of the young man recently convicted fair." his dossier so well known to the per-manent officials, that even if he proved recalcitrant no one would be instructed we have an instrument ready to the Gordian knot of their perplexit-hand," proceeded the Home Secre-faithful and unscruptious member of the Gordian knot of their perplexit-hand," proceeded the Home Secre-faithful and unscruptious member of the Secret Savige lies in the secret Savige lies in the official secret secret for the discussion, and then

The question at issue was the tary impressively. And, feeling his the Secret Service lies in the fact silence swooped on the three states. attitude to be preserved towards a ground by a glance at his colleagues' that at a word from me he would go men again. Once more they regarded Foreign Power which need not be faces, he went on: "For no particu- into oenal servitude for life," said the each other with eyes striving fur-specified. The Prime Minister's policy lar reason—with the maudlin senti- Chancellor. "He was in my depart- tively for limitations of the mutual

specified. The Prime Minister's policy lar reason-with the maudlin senti-made for conciliation, with a view to mentality of the age perhaps—the ment originally, you know-as a Sur-reducing the people's burdens; his op-jury rocommended Rivington to ponents were for yielding to popular mercy, and the matter came be-clamour, which would probably fore me officially to decide. As usu-plunge the country into war, with its inevitable consequence of enormous case, which happened to be Sir James expenditure. I spared him because any dirty work the State the ment originally, you know-as a Sur-confidence necessary to conspiracy. I spared him because I recognised that the service would gain by the addition of a tool without conscience inevitable consequence of enormous case, which happened to be Sir James to decline any dirty work the State the country work the State the country into war, with the mean of the most lenient of the prove a with the mean of the most lenient of the galary and the most lenient of the state the country into war, with the mean of the most lenient of the galary and the most lenient of the state the country into war. The was dead against any dirty work the State the club for lunch."

Lord Trevose, with the memory of the pack. He was dead against any might require of him. And the State his arm and whispered. "Sit down

his mortgaged acres pressing him, deviation from the capital sentence, The meeting of the Cabinet came to echoed the Chancellor's laugh. "Of ridiculed the recommendation of the barred window meant that I had follow the neglect to cure.

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The Brink of the Scaffold.

neglect a Cough or Cold, it "One, two, three, four," tolled the locks of the ancient city led by the can have but one result. It. athedral chimes. Four o'clock leaves the throat or lungs, or Thursday morning I was to be led both, affected - Bronchitis, to die. The medley of musical sounds and Consumption will surely exactly sixty-five hours to live before I passed for the last time out into God's sunlight, there to be hang ed by the neck till I was dead.

The harsh voice of the judge who had flung those fatal words at me across the crowded court three weeks with righteous wrath. "That, my lords and gentlemen, is my policy," he exclaimed. "If you will not agree to it I must recon-struct or resign. For twatk, and I maintain that as pat-index with our dear country hovering are justified in using any fiend in any struct or resign. For twatk, and I maintain that as pat-index, with our dear country hovering on the brink of a terrible war, we tary, did not laugh. He was one of struct or resign. For twatk, and I maintain that as pat-index, with our dear country hovering on the brink of a terrible war, we tary, did not laugh. He was one of struct or resign. For twatk, and I maintain that as pat-index, with our dear country hovering on the brink of a terrible war, we those who had no need for laughter sort of shape for averting such as of that kind in assuuch as in his structor here in the structure of the instructure of the instructure of the brink of a terrible war, we those who had no need for laughter sort of shape for averting such as in his lordship's ruthless invective on before was still ringing in my ears. Mrs. Joseph Paradis, Black- mare, and, above all, as terminating his lordship's ruthless invective on

And give a month of freedom I was

of ignominy that had overwhelmed me, by shifting it to the right houlders. At any rate, I should have the chance of proving my innocence at the expense of the unknown fiend who had robbed me of mother, of sister, and of good name. (To be continued.)

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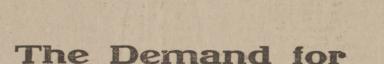
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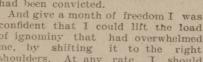


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