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CHAPTER X .- Continued. spoke in haste, and unadvisedly.

"I haven't any Canadian money on the lady's heart.

nevare trustish a Canadian editor. Dare 'crown unto her husband.'" is von bill of sixty dollar of see-gar, "Why, you silly little chit," dat vas all smoke up by de editor of Mrs. Belldoran, looking down magnide 'Toronto Scalper,' but for me it all ficently on this commonplace and in-

The laugh was turned against the Mrs. McGowkie blushed. one of the earliest numbers of his If people choose to begin wrong, they paper, after his return, should contain must e'en end wrong," of bad tobacco and German cigars, picious of each other's faith." which he was palming off on a trustful

public for genuine Havanna. A few minutes later Lord Pendle- little to do with the like of them. To bury again passed the smoking-room their own master must they stand or cratched all over. Ha! a stout hasp eas a hundred.

The Prince too is not superior to the door. He had left Mr. Corcoran chat-fall. I am sure, my dear madam, you ting with the captain. The red-faced have no experience of that sort!"

Cratched all over. Hall a stout haspeas a number. The Prince, too, is not superior to the intruders. No name thereon, least-cigarette, and it was with a box of the intruders. man slipped out of the cabin and ap- Mrs. McGowkie's simple heart hav- ways so far as I can see. Wot's this? exquisite Turkish cigarettes that he

in ignorance of your lordship's rank, haughty companion, and gave it a when speaking to you at table?"

"Oh, I was not aware of anything, sed.

"The lady looked embarras-"

"Darnley' is the name of the place the revived privilege of producing even the seasoned briar when the cloths are

acity beyond his years the puzzling earnest an' loving souls." dilemma in which he saw his two friends to be placed. He was satisfied of Corcoran's good faith. The late Master in Chancery was a well-known man in Dublin society, lively, agreeable, amusing, not always either dignified or discreet, fond no less of conversation than of toddy, a favourite with men and women. Moreover, he was for his age an excellently preserved man. The late Mrs. Corcoran, now Mrs. Belldoran, at one time a handsome person, was Scotch, of good fam-

ily, high bred, exceedingly particular

They had married late in life. No children had blessed their union. Not taken place at Homburg, Mrs. Corcoran left her husband without notice, and, returning to London, placed herself in the hands of solicitors. Mulrooney and Cadge "got up" a case for her fro along the corridors. Clattering with exemplary readiness and disas-dishes, chattering tongues, the clink it advisable to remind him of this fact, cigar, and it is a matter of history that trous success. A cause celebre was tried at Westminster, for the pair had been married in England. A German dishes, chattering tongues, the clink is a dis been married in England. A German side of the saloon bulkhead, disturbed and we will take a peep at the cove I've waiter was produced, who swore to conduct on the part of the learned Master which estisfied the judge and side of the saloon bulknead, disturbed her painfully. She could not think. Her brain was throbbing with anxiety (To be continued.) Master which satisfied the judge and and terror. shocked his friends. A divorce was decreed. Upon this Mr. Corcoran retired from the Mastership. He had a considerable fortune, and finding life in Dublin, notwithstanding the fact door. Was it that man again? No, he must be waiting on Sir Benjamin. Drawing her robe around her, she callthat many of his friends remained ed out to the inquirer to come in. A It is in England and the Narrowest Street staunch, to be painfully changed for head of a man unknown to her, lookstaunch, to be painfully changed for him, he resolved to take a tour in ing mysterious, was inserted through America. To be perfectly free from any embarrassing inquiries, he assumed the whimsical name of Fex.

Lord Pendlebury, as aide-de-camp to the Lord-Lieutenant, had seen a good deal both of Mr. Corcoran and his wife, case. and had been extremely shocked by the circumstances and results of the appeal to the Divorce Court. And now, when by a most extraordinary fatality they were brought together no necessity. She felt what it was. under conditions which seemed to be Her heart sank within her. She knew favourable to a reconciliation, here that her name lay across the top of it favourable to a reconciliation, here was a Canadian auditor-general, or some other official, expecting to meet Mrs. Belldoran, as his fiance, at their port of destination. The young lord port of destination. The young lord "Yes. Who are you? Where did you get it?"

"Mr. Crog, may it please your ladyviewed his own position with some ship. Steerage steward. This case was anxiety, and not without a sensation found, mum-my lady-stowed away of amusement. Both parties had chosen to make him a confident of their hostile griefs. He fancied that "Gracious goodness!" he detected on either side a tone of regret at the past, which might, were experienced tact only at hand, be lady?"
nourished into some effort to retrieve "Cert its sorrowful and disastrous consequences. He was specially alive to the necessity of securing the aid of some woman of sense and spirit in the deli-

cate task which circumstances had curred to his mind, only to be discardperson even distantly availabe, namely,

wicked world.

several times designedly took him past scription on board, and a reward of-the place where the two ladies were fered for a man who has committed sitting. Hence Corcoran and his a murder and robbery; and if it former wife were obliged to exchange weren't that the walley had his hair as

had told her prouder countrywoman "I'll bet you ten dollars I'll find all about herself, and her early life, him!" cried the nettled journalist. He and her marriage, with unaffected, and not in the least vulgar or offen-"Do-one," said the German, grave-ly. "Ve vill at vonce de money shtake. ness about this young person which Dere is my ten dollars." And he drew was soothing to Mrs. Belldoran's disout of a greasy pocket-book two five- quiet. The familiar native accent also fell with a gentle charm

he had been able to anticipate, nothing by the man you marry - and so easy was evolved. "You'll have to trust to agree with him. I never could imagine how two people who loved each "No," said the German, with a pro- other sufficiently to become man and longed and exasperating intonation, as wife could ever have a difference. He he restored his money to its case. "I is the 'head of the wife,' as she is a

end in de smoke. He offer me to take experienced little sciolist. "Do you not it in advertising, but I tell him to know that very few people become advertise in his paper von whole ten man and wife because they love each and unsentimental reasons than that."

a letter from Kingston, alluding in "Ay, but again it is said that love scathing terms to the return of Mr. matches generally end the worst. Af-Weiss, the German Jew, from his na- fection is easily satiated. People get tive Hamburgh, with a consignment bored with each other's company, sus-"Ay, that's people in the world," gage. A large pockmantle, brown signments from the Austrian Emperished Mrs. McGowkie. "I've had leather, wery seedy-looking, been a or and the Czar, and some of his most leather, wery seedy-looking, been a costly brands are valued at fifty guin-

will allow me to hand you my card. One of the best shops in Montreal, for all that a gentleman can need your lordship, and I shall feel deeply hon- when two hone of the best shops in Montreal, for a ken it, as I trust in God ye doo, lordship, and I shall feel deeply hone when two hone life, "Suld ye had a swell, for a walley out of place, and it is his constant companion on his lordship, and I shall feel deeply hone when two hone when two hone when two hone life, "Suld ye had a swell, for a walley out of place, and it is his constant companion on his lordship. lordship, and I shall feel deeply hon-when twa hearts is in tune the ane wi you are!—Small trunk or case fishing and shooting excursions. sidering with an earnestness and sag- can harmonise the broken music of ha!"

"You know little of the world, my child," said the lady, bending over and kissing the soft blooming cheek, ere she rose and hastily retreated to her cabin. Mrs. McGowkie wiped away a teardrop that was coursing down her face. It had not come from her own eye.
"Mebbe," she mused to herself, "I dootless hae a sair heart of her ain. But it was a' true, and truth canna

harm if it's kindly told."

CHAPTER XI. Lady Peakman did not leave her understanding her husband's Irish na- lent headache. Sir Benjamin came and berth. She was suffering from a vioture, or his fondness for irony of went. Araminta flitted in and out. with the result. speech and situation, and often dis- the maids succeeded each other in their turbed by the flavour of his racy hum-attendance. But her ladyship, in a a German has been lying among the our or the freedom of his manners, state of prostration, would only open men down there, where you were Mrs. Corcoran's confidence in her husband become seriously shaken. Suspicions were excited. Sharp words were cions were excited. Sharp words were out, first on the poop, then on the settery, but you know it is easy to exchanged. Mr. Corcoran, conscious forward deck. As eight bells struck shave or die, and if the rests suits, we wife's reflections, and did what many a man foolishly does in such circumbrazen discord. Although the knight inquiry. The steward, a powerful extravagant than ever. An unusual- effort, she would not go to dinner. fellow, had recovered his assurance. ly hot matrimonial skirmish having Nor would she eat. She sent away her The cabin in which they were standing simply wished to be alone.

Every one had gone to the saloon, tinctly heard talking on the other Stewards could be heard passing to and side.

Suddenly there was a knock at the the half-open door. It gazed round. It vanished an instant. It came back imthe arms swung her ladyship's jewel-

under the mattress of Sir Benjamin's "Gracious goodness!"

"Yes, my lady. Might you have given it to him to take charge of my "Certainly not.

"Because,' said Mr. Crog, "this morning early, my lady, when eight bells rang-which is four o'clock a.m., my lady-I was one of the stewards thrown upon him. Lady Peakman oc- sion to go and arrange some things, that had to turn out, and I had occamy lady, at the main hatchway; and there, at that hour of the morning, my lady, I see a figure cut across from perament. There was only one other cabins, and run slap into Slovenly the port passage, here between the Mrs. McGowkie, a quaint, gentle, pleasant little Scotch wife, without a shouldn't a known the individual, but Witches" Row. The entrance to it is shouldn't a known the individual, but twenty-nine inches in width and

So, before an hour was over, Lord servants at all hours of the day or tides might flow through these streets Pendlebury had managed to bring the proud Mrs. Belldoran and the blushing time, but thinks I—I'll watch your proud Mrs. Belldoran and the blushing little Mrs. McGowkie together. To the latter he had given no information He left the two ladies to mature an acquaintance and exchange confidence if they pleased. At the same time the cunning young peer kept his friend upon the deck, engaged in a peripatetic conversation, during which he several times designedly took him past.

"How do you think he got it?" "He must ha' slipped in when you was alseep, my lady.' "Oh, dear!" said her ladyship, giving a little scream. "Surely not How shocking! A man in my room!

should certainly have heard him.
. Mr. Crog." "My lady." "Don't say anything about this. Now come to think of it, Sir Benjamin, who is always very anxious about this valuable case, may have asked the man to take charge of it. No doubt that is the explanation. I will speak to Sir Benjamin. But I am none the

less indebted to you. Here is a sovereign for you. so easily.

need not speak to Sir Benjamin about Mr. Crog vanished as mysteriously as he came. In returning to his quarters he slipped into Mr. Stillwater's

moment the valat was in attendance on his master in the saloon. "I don't half like the look of this should have been seized with this profound suspicion of Mr. Stillwater, be-yond the fact that Mr. Stillwater had ing pipe. years vas not for me von customer other? There are much more ordinary proved too sharp for him. Mr. Crog's amour propre had been wounded by journalist, who registered a vow that "I know nothing about them madam. Stillwater had pulled him up on the briar is more often his Sunday comsubject of the division of plunder. It panion as he makes his tour of the

proached the peer as he stood near the ways so far as I can see. Wot's this ways so far as I can see. Wot's this ways so far as I can see. Wot's this ways so far as I can see. Wot's this tempted the Middle Temple Benchers to relax their rule against smoking in POOR we aim to please every "My lord," he said, taking off his some intensity of feeling and expres- Then some place or other 'Monaco,' Hall during the Prince's treasureship time. hat, "I hope your lordship will permit sion. In the earnestness of the mome to offer my humblest apologies for ment she laid her hand, in its little one torn off—lets see. 'r-n-l'—that's a cigarettes, for they were circulated through both the masses lingers yet any rudeness I may have committed brown kid glove, on the arm of her railway station mark-'r-n-l.'" He through both the messes, lingers yet "Oh, believe me, lady," continued where the murder was committed. the seasoned briar when the cloths are "Stretcher, my lord. Your lordship Mrs. McGowkie, adopting, in the Well this is rum, to say the least of removed.

walk. His mind was occupied in con- up the broken hearts; and surely He water. 'Still waters run deep.' Ha, hi, peror, whose weakness was the same. Stillwater, which at the moment were night" to his favorite horses in the lit up with a dangerous sparkle. He imperial stables.

putting the key in his pocket.

"What are you doing in here, Mr. ha' done wrong. The puir leddy will Crog?" inquired the valet, in an angry tone. "You ain't the steward of this part of the ship, you know."
"Oh!" replied Mr. Crog, recovering a little from his surprise, "I wanted to see you, and, I was waiting for you. I think I have some information about our much-needed friend.' "You do, do you?" replied Mr. Still-

water, searching Mr. Crog's eyes to their very depths, and not satisfied "Yes. I believe I have him. There's maid to take an airing on deck. She was next to the mess-room of the engineers. Several of them could be dis-

"Now, guvnor," said Mr. Crog, think-

KITTY WITCHES ROW.

Great Yarmouth, in England, has the Commissoner for Labor, has just pubnarrowest streets in the world. They lished his report on the trade troubles mediately with the body to which it are called Rows and are merely nar- of 1897, with a great mass of statisbelonged. To the body were attached row passageways between the build- ties. One of the most significant facts two arms, and on the hand of one of ings. There are forty-five of them in proved by these figures is the great all, stretching in the aggregate more magnitude of some of the trade dis-



shadow of experience in the way of the the sailor speaks to him and he ans- but twenty-nine inches in width and wers the sailor, and I recognises Mr. the other end spans fifty-six inches. "Well," he said to himself, "there can be no harm in making them acquainted. The Scotchwoman's simplicity and genuineness may have hour of the day for? And a carrying their construction is that in case of insome effect on the elder lady. And somethin heavy in his hand, more-vasion, these narrow lanes would prove vasion, these narrow lanes would prove who knows? They may 'foregather,' over?' Howsomever, I know that invaluable as means of defense. Anothas Mr. McGowkie would say."

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about me, I guess," answered the editor, shoving his hands ostentatiously practling away, "it is so pleasant to into all his pockets, out of which, as feel you are really loved and respected all right."

it. I shall see him directly after dinner, and if there is anything wrong I will send for you; but I hope it is most half way down the bowl, which all right." The Duke of York has among his was his cherished companion as a 'middy," and which has poured out its incense in almost every latitude.

cabin, to take an observation on his Even now he regards a cigar as a own account, being assured that at the luxury and his pipe as a solace, and the Duke and the Czar of all the Russia, alike in tastes as in appearance, cove," said Mr. Crog to himself. There have been seen together smoking a was no special reason why Mr. Crog couple of briars with as much zest as a city clerk in the rapture of his morn-

THE PRINCE OF WALES,

is only human nature. If you take a Sandringham farm and stables than a man down even one peg, he will be cigar. The Prince is a great cigar ready to hold you a thief and a mursmoker, although he rarely buys a derer on very slight evidence.
"Now," said Mr. Crog to himself, in amateur collection in England, is re-

oured by your distinguished patronage, th'ither, and baith takin their note two feet long, with brass nails all over King Humbert was for many years two feet long, with brass nails all over King Humbert was for many years "Oh! very well, Mr. Stretcher. I accept your advertisement. Your apologies are unnecessary."

from the Great Master in heaven, though noo and again earthly imperink on the bottom. All locked up, tight as the specie-room.—Nothing else affected played such havor with his trouble and the strong of trouble or anger, His hand will sune about? No, not even a pocket-hand- nerves that he was obliged to fore-And Lord Pendlebury resumed his set the chords aricht. He bindeth kercher. You're a dark un, Mr. Still- swear them. Not so the Austrian Em-"Ha! ha! ha!" echoed a voice in the of cigars which would be dear at 10s, cabin, within a couple of feet of a hundred, and they rarely leave his him. Mr. Crog turned sharply round, lips from his early morning ramble in and his eyes encountered those of Mr. the Palace Gardens to his final "good- Laths

> promptly shut the door and locked it, Like most of the Austrian male royalties he occasionally SMOKES A PIPE; and Prince Ferdinand, when he takes his long rambles incognito and hob-

nobs with wayside innkeepers and stray travellers, is almost inseparable from his "cherrywood." The Kaiser prefers cigars to a pipe Matched Sheathing for reasons not unconnected with nausea, and when on horseback often Dimensioned Lumber smokes cigarettes, which he throws away after a few whiffs, to be scram- Sawn Spruce Shingles. bled for by his loyal subjects if they

The cigarette is in great favor among the royal ladies at most European courts, and even the Czarina's "rescript" against smoking has done nothing to banish the cigarette except at her own court. Her imperial motherin-law, the Dowager Czarina, and her sister, Princess Henry of Prussia, are inveterate smokers, and the Duchess of Cumberland follows their example. The Empress of Austria used to banish her sorrows in cigarette smoke, and the Queen Regent of Spain finds them a solace in her trouble, while "Carmen Sylva," the gifted Roumanian Queen,

writes her romances under their inmentals with a cigar between her

BRITISH LABOUR DISPUTES. Some Interesting Statistics in the Commis-

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"If you please, my lady," said the than seven miles in length. The nar-putes in Great Britain in recent years. man, touching his hair in front, "may rowest of them all is called "Kitty In 1893 occurred the great coal dispute in the federeted districts of England, affecting 300,000 miners, and another in South Wales, affecting 90,000 miners; in 1894 70,000 Scottish miners were out; in 1895 the boot and shoe trade had a great dispute, affecting 46,000 operatives. In 1896 no dispute occurred approaching in magnitude any one of those mentioned, but in 1897 occurred the great engineering dispute, affecting 47,500 work people. Apart from these great strikes the figures show that during the last five years only about 200,000 working people were involved annually in strikes of all descriptions, a very small fraction of the working population. A table setting forth the results of disputes shows that on the whole the balance of advantage in the settlement of disputes of 1897 was on the side of the employers, 44.5 per cent. of the workpeople being engaged in disputes settled wholly in favour of the employers, and only 21.6 per cent. is disputes settled wholly in favour of workpeople. This general result unusual in a year of active demand for labor, was mainly determined by the settlement of the engineering dispute. The building and clothing trades gave the largest percentage of results in favour of the workpeople, the engineering and textile trades the largest percentage of results in favour of the employers.



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