

the other robbers would have killed for such work. I am not a soldier once Bussian soil unless sent there.' him, and he must feel "Who asked you to be a soldier? Come tude." with me. Let us rescue the girls. Alma "But these fellows are shrewd. We has really committed a crime, I supcould do nothing with them unless we pose, but we must risk the danger of granted them their freedom." Tiflis. I'll take care of that part when "And that, of course, you would not we get the girls." do." "You would try to escape-would "No! I am an officer of the czar!" even try to kill me to escape." "What do you intend to do with me?" "Nonsense. If you will assist in res "It is my duty to return to Tiffis cuing the girls and let Alma Jurnieff with you and give you over to the auescape, I will go back to Tiflis with you thorities." and take my medicine." "Just so. You are one of these ma-

Ping Shong."

OU saved were mad with wine." "Your future course will show whethcame to the island." Then followed a detailed rehearsal of the story of Koura and Alma. "They are beautiful girls," said

Utah the automobile has Some one has said that God made the

heart. The birth place of the poet made. He would not rest under these which is about 40 miles from Glasgow charges, nor would he let His disciples

chine made soldiers so common in Russia-fight for the czar and die for yourself. Is that it? No; that isn't quite right-fight and die for the czar and to the devil with yourself: that's more like it. Let's look over the premises. Take my own case in a business sense. I don't know where my windmills are. They were taken to Astrakhan by that fool of a German. Well, supposing I was at liberty to go after them, the first thing I would do would be to outline a plan of getting as quickly as possible from where I am at this moment to the spot where I considered it most likely I would find them.'

"I don't see-the connection." "No, of course not. But tell mewhat is your duty in the matter of these robbers?"

"I have already stated that. I must take them to Tiflis and charge them with robbery. Several times the officers in charge of the money to pay the soldiers have been robbed. We suspected that it was done by some of the mountain robbers and mistrusted the Bokharans. But we could never catch any."

"That's because you are a machine soldier. The third section of your police does not work that way.' "What way?"

"Without thinking. Pardon me, you insist it is your duty to go at once to Tiflis?"

"Certainly, unless we can intercept that vessel belonging to the ameer." "Suppose we do not intercept it? Suppose the rascals make a port in Bo-

khara?" "Then I must return to Tiflis and ask permission to enter the territory of the

ameer in search of Koura." Harvey looked at him and whistled.

"My friend, you accused me a short time ago of not loving as you do. Yet you sit calmly here and say you would go to Tiflis to ask permission to rescue the girl you claim to love.'

"I am a soldier of the czar!"

"Verily you are, and well have you learned your lesson. I am a soldier of commerce, and love it, but I would consider neither trade nor honor nor citizenship against the chance of saving the girl I love. To the deuce with a patriotism that destroys love. Orskoff, do your duty! If you feel that it is your duty to take me and the robbers no method of learning just where the to Tiflis, do so, and forever bid farewell to Koura Biartelkis."

"But what can I do? The girls are by this time perhaps on Bokharan soil. It is against the orders of the czar for give you your liberty and accompany

"You would risk death and disgrace for the girl you love?" "Yes. I'd risk hell for the girl I love.'

"That is love! That is love! It is as I feel myself. Let me think! What a problem for a man to solve!" He abruptly left Harvey, who sat down, preferring to let Orskoff work out the problem himself. Orskoff paced gravely up and down, never once looking at Harvey.

"Have you a plan?" he asked suddenly, stopping before Harvey. "Give me your answer to the prob lem you have set out to solve, and I will give you the plan I have thought of."

Again that monotonous pacing up and down the deck. It seemed to Irons as though the Russian was growing older looking each moment. Again the It. feverish eves and working lips. It came to an end at last. With a sigh as if exhausted Orskoff dropped into the chair by the side of Irons. "Well, I have fought the fight," he

said wearily. "And won?" asked Harvey.

"No; God knows it is no victory! have lost. My patriotism goes down before my love. I am a Russian. I know the Russian cruelties to those who defy the czar. I know the pitiles rule that breaks the hearts and destroys the lives of those who even permit a culprit to escape. Knowing this-know ing the punishment, the disgrace, the

horror of treachery-I have resolved to become-a traitor!" "A traitor! What nonsense!" "Yes, a traitor to the czar! You and

I will soon be under the same condemnation. We will go together to the very throne of Bokhara if necessary and rescue those we love or die in the attempt. It is settled. I will not turn back!"

## CHAPTER XVIII. A CONTRACT WITH A ROBBER CHIEF.

ARVEY broke the spell of si-lence:

"I thought you would see (011110) (011110) (011110) daylight. Now that we agree, let us go on and plan. We must not lose sight of the fact that we are dealing with unknown quantities. We have girls are. We must use measures that will assist us. What was your idea when you spoke of becoming a traitor?" "I become a traitor the moment I

Harvey as he concluded. "One is to be the wife of the captain; the other is to be my wife." "Why do you tell me this? I am a

prisoner." "Because we want your assistance in rescuing these two girls from the through the Death Valley of Califormen of Bokhara. They are your enenia.

mies, and you have sufficient reason to hate them." "But I do not love the Russian

more." "This is not a question of loving the Russians. I saved your life, did I not?" "I would do anything for you." "Suppose you are set free and the treasure is restored to you. The only the two young women.' "Do you mean that the Russian will

people and take with me the treasure that I stole?"

"Yes; to rescue the young girls we will do that. The captain has promised

"Do you agree?" put in Orskoff anxiously. "I am not a fool."

"That means you agree, of course,

said Harvey. "The ameer is the sliest ought to be able to outwit him. First we must figure out where the girls probably are now." "Where was the ameer's boat when you saw it?" asked Palnak eagerly.

"I cannot say. I drifted all day and half the night before I reached the is axle of each wagon will be a motor, to drifted." "They were going to Siloon."

"What is Siloon ?" "The most important port on the Bo-

kharan shore. It is not a Zannuck vil-They are for the greater part exiles ley the mercury usually stands at 130

from Khiva." "Then they will not fight for the ameer?"

"No, nor against him. They wish only to be let alone." reach Siloon?" "Two days. By this time they are at the night as well as day.

Siloon, and we could not overtake them, as the finest camels of the ameer would ful as thirty teams of mules. One

of his best soldiers." escort and go to Bokhara?"

"It would be so." "There would be some delay getting started." "The ameer's soldiers would be

afraid to linger." "Then what can be done, Palpak!

been substituted for mule power. Men country, but that Glasgow made the and horses alike have perished there Clyde. This is so in a certain sense. er I did well. Let me explain how I from thirst, heat and deadly yellow Now, the largest vessels can come indust in which they were enveloped by to Glasgow and her harbor is always the wind storms. Yet those deserts thronged with steamers from all parts must be traversed, for salts, especially of the globe.

borax, must be transported to the east-The city has no slums. Of course, ward. The mule was found to be the only animal that could drag cars of ye always have with you." But there ore across these western deserts, and is a great deal of wealth here. Signs the mule team has been developed to of it on every side. There is a solidity

its greatest efficiency by one company, about the city that impresses one very which operates many mule teams favorably. Everything seems to be The tender father, and the gen'rous built with a view to permanency. I don't think I saw a wooden building in

Glasgow. The most of the buildings This desert is 176 miles long and can be covered at the rate of only are made of stone and have a very eighteen miles a day, even by one of substantial look. The wealthy men of

the strongest teams. The way lies the city are practically interested in through heavy white sand, which, in contributing to the best interests of the the road is packed into deep ruts by people at large. They are willing to

be taxed for the public good. They the 40,000 pounds of crude borax haultake a pride in their city, in building ed by each team. Besides the ore they have to haul it up along lines of the highest welreturn we ask is that you give us all food for the teamsters, grain and hay fare. The most prominent and ablest men are put at the head of the city the assistance in your power to recover for the mules and a tank with an amgovernment. The magnificent municiple water supply; for there are stretches of sixty miles between watering pal building which the city has built at a cost of nearly thirty-five million permit me to depart in peace to my places. Even with these precautions dollars shows how the people are in-

scores of mules die annually, and men are killed by the exposure to the heat terested in their city. I had the pleasand blinded by the alkali dust and the ure of going through this building. It is immense and magnificent, and would glare of the sun.

This snall-pace transportation could reflect great credit on London. not satisfy the mile-a-minute ambition The cathedral in Glasgow is a very of the American business man. Now interesting building. One could spend there is building for the company a days in studying this large edifice. It

three-motor engine and train which dates back to the 12th century. Of will revolutionize transportation on the course, some additions have been made since that time. The windows are perrascal in Asia, but our united brains desert. It is of 275 horse-power, threecylinder gasolene engine, operating a fectly gorgeous and beautiful, and they 100 kilowatt electric generator. The are numerous. The building is 320 engine weighs only six tons. It would feet long, 70 feet wide and 90 feet high.

have to weigh much more if the seven The tower is 220 feet high. This place gle blanket. I don't see how vegetaor eight trailers of the proposed train of worship originally belonged to the tion grows, it is so cold. But it does Catholic church, but it came into the offered dead weight. But on the rear grow. The climate however, shows hands of the Presbyterian church when on the trees. Of course, we would not expect to see the extensive forests land. It went in the same direction I which power will be transmitted the latter was made the established church of Scotland. This house is here that we see in America. Scotland through the train from the engine.

is considerably smaller than South connected with much interesting his-One of the most perplexing problems tory. I sat in a chair which Oliver was keeping the 165-gallon gasolene Carolina and it has about four and a tanks cool. This has been done by an Cratiw ', sat in while at this church. half million people in it, and it is an ingenious system of fans. This was This edifice, if it could speak, could old country. There are some old trees lage, nor do the people like the ameer. absolutely necessary, for in Death Val- tell us much that would thrill our

souls in connection with the bloody persecutions of the past. In 1684, the persecutors hanged many of the cov-

Thus the whole train will be controlled heads on pikes. The bodies of these by the motorman in the cab. It is also "How long would it take the boat to provided with a powerful searchlight, dral. There is a tablet in the church which will enable the train to run in

One of these trains will be as powering lines:

be in waiting for them, with a guard team of twenty mules can in twentyfour hours haul 40,000 pounds of crude "Is it not possible that a caravan of borax only eighteen miles; an automorich goods will take advantage of this bile train in the same time will haul 100 tons one hundred miles.

> as Parrots and imitators are not all as green as they look.

so It's hard to be popular and econ-

omical at the same time.

They are coming and going all the properly understood it would be seen time. The poet's father was buried in that neither he nor his disciples had the old Kirk yard and there is on the modest stone which marks his last violated it. Why this care to defend resting place the following beautiful Himself and His disciples against the charge of violating the Sabbath if the lines written by his illustrious son:

is a very favorite resort for tourists.

man pride; The friend of man, to vice alone a foe;

forever stamped on the mind.

stunted look. They have much to re-

sist in this vigorous climate. The

'v'n his failings lean'd to virtue's

stains,

attend

mains,

friend

e'v'n h side."

Draw near

O ye, whose cheek the tear of pity Sabbath had passed away? The Sabbath is written upon the with pious rev'rence and very constitution of man. "The Sabbath was made for man," said our Here lie the loving husband's dear re-Savior. Man needs it-needs it physically, mentally and spiritually. Man's body needs the Sabbath rest. It has The pitying heart that felt for human been proved scientifically that one does not gain as much in a night's sleep as The dauntless heart that fear'd no huhe loses in a day of labor, and that he needs as much as one day's rest in seven in addition to the rest of the

rest under them. He contended vigor-

ously that when the Sabbath law was

night in order to keep himself in good The country from Glasgow to Ayr is beautiful, very much like the blue physical condition. The mind needs rest as well as the body. Without the grass section of Kentucky. The fences around nearly all of the farms were Sabbath spirituality would die away. This is the verdict of history. Whermade of rock. All along the way herds ever there is no Sabbath, or a Sabof cattle and flocks of sheep may be seen grazing in the pastures. Here is bath spent in pleasure, there is little humble cottage, and here is a man- or no spirituality. Could we think for sion, and here is a beautiful clump of a moment that God would suffer an trees, and here is a fine estate shut in institution so essential to the wellby a high rock wall. Every available being of man to pass away?

The risen Savior, the apostles, and space of ground is cultivated or utilized for pasture. Little towns and the apostolic church set their seals upon the Sabbath. Christ appeared to larger ones are seen as the train carthe twelve on the Sabbath day, changries us to and from Ayr. The big ocean ed by Himself from the seventh day appears on the scene. So, altogether of the week to the first. It was just the trip from Glasgow to Ayr furnishes a picture which is beautiful and seven, days after this that he appeared to the twelve again, evidently assembled for worship, when Thomas was The weather has been very cold over present. The day of Pentecost was here. I am now in Edinburgh at the the Sabbath. The Corinthians were Royal Hotel, one of the finest hotels commanded to make their contribuin the city. I slept last night under tions on the Sabbath. John was in the two double wool blankets and one sin-Spirit on the Lord's day. And from that day to this the Christian church has "remembered the Sabbath day to keep it holy."

There is no force in the objection that the Sabbath passed away with the ceremonial law. It was not a part of the ceremonial law and could not have passed away with it. If the Sabbath was a part of the ceremonial law why was it that it was found in the tall and healthy looking like many of moral law and not in the ceremonial

our trees in America. They have a law? We have already answered the objection that Christ abrogated the Sabbath. Instead of abrogating it he set his seal upon it.

faces of the ladies show the effects of this climate in the ruddy glow on The conclusion is irresistible that they look like they had been painted; the Sabbath instituted in the Garden but this is their natural appearance. I of Eden, re-affirmed on Mount Sinai, man's physical, mental and spiritual constitution, upheld by the risen Savior, the apostles and the apostolic church, and clung to by the church in for draying purposes are immense. I all ages, is still in force, and must be tor draying purposes are immense. I kept by the children of men. If they violate that law, they will have to answer to God for their violations.

[In next week's paper there will

which has an inscription on it that concludes with these quaint and striknoticed in front of the hotel this morn-

Caus'd beat the drums then in great

W. G. NEVILLE. I will give you another inscription one donkey. taken from the monument (now much last sentence above that W. G. N. was decayed) erected to Dr. Peter Lowe. the donkey. W. G. N. P. S .- You must not infer from the

martyrs were buried near the cathe-

enantors in this city, and stuck their

"These nine, with others in the yard, Whose heads and bodies were not spar'd; Their testimonies foes to bury.

fury. 'll know at resurrection day They'll To murder saints was no sweet play.

degrees and often rises to 140 degrees. An air compressor in the engine will operate air-brakes on each of the cars.

ing horses with blankets over them. The people here know how to take care of the horses. Their horses are