Then both men started for that part

Senn, pulling fiercely at Prier, muc

Prier lighted the gas. He got his pis

tol; he picked up his rings and restored

dozen of the alarmed inmates of the

hotel at the door of Prier's room clam

"I shall let these men in in a half-

minute, he said, in a hoarse whisper

'and you've got to choose very prompt

you robbed Barron's bank as a step to

ward proving that you killed Constance

"I'll sign," said Senn, sullenly, and

Prier freed his right hand long enough

Prier folded the paper and put

carefully into his pocket. Then, as h

moved toward the door to let in those

who were vigorously pounding there

"Donald Barron died a natural death;

Constance Craig was murdered. The

retch lying across the nath I am fo

To be Continued.

THROUGH HOLLAND.

A Day's Travel In the Land of Wind

Mills and Canals.

Here is a pretty description of

day's travel through Holland: "At

Amsterdam I left the train and board-

ed a boat bound for the Helder, the

where the low lying islands curve

round to the horizon, looking as i

they had been appointed ocean out-

fade into vast, bright meadows, th

spirit of this land, wrested from th

count the windmills, was indifferent t

content with pretending to choose

whose gardens are washed by the wa

"We passed through Alkmaar, o

one side Dutch farmhouses, compact

flower fruitful and pastoral meadows

that outstretched as we glided north-

ward were once submerged in water.

The fight against the sea never ceases.

great dikes loomed out. I gazed out at

mused on the legend that at Amster-

ters of this great north canal.

Confession or accusation, as

and demanding admittance, he said:

ly. Will you sign, or shall I prove that

oring for admission.

or him to do so.

Craig.'

Prier turned to Senn.

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PART II. WHO DIDN'T KILL CONSTANCE

CRAIG.

CHAPTER VIII. "You Say You Did It!" A messenger was waiting for Mr

P

ed the hotel. Since the man had been cluded the detective, in an almost inau-Senn when he and the detective reachto the bank, found it closed, gone to Senn's boarding place, found he was stirred his coffee. absent, and then reached the hotel in advance of as hungry a man as Senn and as anxious a man as Prier, it is evident that he was both shrewd and swift.

Mr. Senn took the letter, noticed that it was unsealed, glanced at the address upon the envelope,

G. SENN, ESQ., Introducing S. Lyman, and lost no time in reading what was written within. It was no more than he had expected, perhaps, but the receipt of the letter was a terrible shock, nevertheless. It was as follows:

"Mr. Gilbert Senn: You will de liver the keys, books etc., of the bank owned by my late father, Donald Barron, and known as 'Barron's Boomville Bank,' to the bearer, Mr. S. Lyman, who will take charge of my bus iness hereafter. The subordinate employes will be retained in the bank at present. You can make Mr. Lywho have worked with you.

Elsie Barron-Senn. "P. S .- It is only fair to say that I defy you. I am your wife in name. I shall never submit to your control, or your presence near me, however. Remember that I can prosecute you at any time, and that I can force Mr Prier to testify, on his oath, to what you confessed. I shall let you retain your freedom, however, if you are

"I shall not let you assist further in my business. I shall not grant you partnership. I warn you not to try to thwart me or baffle me. E. B. S. "P. S., No. 2-You will not find it to consult with Mr. Prier regarding the settlement of my ness. He will not be admitted to the bank again on any pretext. E. B. S.'

Mr. Senn delivered the key to Mr.

Lyman, taking a receipt for it "I have no other property belonging to Mrs. Senn or to her father," he said; "and, as I half expected that Mr. Barron's death would result in some changes in the force employed, I have given Mr. Clark full instructions regarding the money and the books. You will find Mr. Clark on hand in the

tion from him." "But, Mr. Senn," said Mr. Lyman, have never met Mr. Clark; I am stranger-or almost a stranger-in the place; I-I think this is very irregu-

"It is. For a man to be displaced from a position which he has held for years, is very irregular. Good-evening, Mr. Lyman.'

"Good-evening." said that individual, pleasantly enough, but with a look in his eyes which belied his tone

He bowed low, looked curiously a Mr. Prier, and was gone.

"Read that," said Senn, extending his wife's note.

Prier read it, and handed it back. "You will do what she demands, suppose?" he asked. "I shall."

"Without regard to your rights?" Senn looked up to meet Prier's smile; he remembered his own question of the morning, and took the implied rebuke

"Without regard to my rights. I fee that I've only one right which I care for at all, just now-the right to a good supper, after my day's fast." "And you shall have it. Come up to

my room at once. They went up-stairs together. A supper was served which was a credit alike to the "Boomville House," and to the taste and judgment of Mr. J. B. Prier. "I would rather have his friendship than his enmity," said Mr. Prier, suddenly, after Senn had had an opportu-

nity to somewhat lessen his hunger. "Whose?" asked Senn. "The new cashier's. You dismissed him very abruptly and treated him in a

most shabby manner. "Well, what of it?" "This: I have no doubt he read Mrs Senn's letter; she threatens you in that: I should be sorry, were I in your place, to have him possess a better reason than the fact of his being in he

service for desiring my injury." "It's true she threatens, but he threats are vague. What do they mean to an outsider? They may be nothing more than the results of a quarrel between a husband and wife who hav learned to hate each other at the threshold of their married life; no one

could be sure that anything in her letter proved that love might not once have existed between the writer and the one addressed. Am I not right?" "And yet you are kind enough to wish me well, and tired and worr

Is it not so? I do not like Mr. Lyman I do not and cannot like. Do you?"

"You heard me call myself 'the talkative detective:' I am talkative, and I am frank; I never waste words on any declare that I will indorse all which persons outside two classes; my friends is herein stated when I am brought -and my victims.

"And I-I suppose I am-"Who spent a day opening the safe

for you? Who has cloyed your intellect with good advice?" answered. Do you like Mr. Lyman?"

the letter from Senn's hands, and read it again. "S. Lyman," he said, meditatively, "S. Lyman; no, I don't like him. I should because the servants were all away.

yet, if I were going to open a bank to norrow, and if I had to put S. Lyman or Gilbert Senn at the head of it, my choice would be Gilbert Senn-"

"Thank you." "Though I never trusted a thief yet, and would hate to trust a liar," condible undertone, as he meditatively

"You are making a good meal," laughed Senn, "for a man who had

supper since we got the safe open." "I didn't have supper." "You didn't? You went away to get

"I know I did. But there was some writing which had to be done. I forgot my hunger in my attention to my

"Did you? What was your work?" "I'll tell you-later. By-the-way, I suppose there will have to be an in- than have the world at large know a quest over Donald Barron, after all; I heard, as I came from the bank, that the doctors are being found fault with, and the accuracy of their conclusions is being called in question. suppose it possible-

watching Senn closely. Senn got up, had gone wrong, and so youwalked to the windows, closed the drew down the curtains, and came back to the table. His face was if you desire, but you can neither you can delegate that work to those pale. His hands shook as he tried to pick up his knife and fork. His voice putting my name at the bottom of that circumstances which justify him in the

trembled when he spoke: "I don't know what to suppose. There are possibilities so horrible-so horri-

dreadful sight

"What possibilities? "Mind you, I accuse no one. I sup-

going fast.

"Thank God for that." "For what?" "That the night

"Well, go on with what you were about to say.'

"I will. Picture this: A man sleeping quietly and healthfully; an opened door; a stealthy footstep along his floor; a sudden awakening of the sleepmorning, and can obtain full informanuffled in a hot and seemingly impenetrable covering, while some strong wretch presses it closer and closer, avoiding the almost aimless blows which a blind animal instinct prompts. Think of many long minutes of that; think of the death which lies at the end of it, a death without a sign left behind to tell how it happened: thinkthink-Merciful God! can a human

> Prier sprang forward. He caught Senn by the shoulders, his fingers leaving marks which were not obliterated for many a day, and dragged him near

er the light. "What-what do you mean? Wha

an you tell?" he fairly screamed into the ears of the once cashier. which he had risen, and covered his face with his hands again. It was more than a minute before he tried to speak.

Then he looked up, and said, brokenly: "You-you surely-cannot think that -that I-killed Donald Barron?"

have only told you I spent it outside. dread and agitation, for me to have done other than I did. The truth is, I since robbery had happened once--and I didn't watch there. I walked all cent-there. In fact, I am convinced that an inquest in his case would be a

farce; he was not murdered; he died a natural death. But--" "But what?" "But people have died in the way ou pictured, and remorse has led their layers, again and again, to deeds and

ooks and words which were little less bert Senn-Prier's passion mastered him then, avaricious person.'

and for a little time he could not find He pushed a paper across the table

owards Senn. "Sign that!" he said, roughly lowly through, his amazement showing more and more on his face as he ed to append his name to; this is the

"Boomville, Me. "Wednesday Morning, Nov. 9, 1870. Whom It May Concern: Gilbert Senn, in the presence of Mr. . B. Prier, of the city of Boston, letective having a considerable knowto the following statements. And I do declare that I do so without fear of personal violence being done ne by the said Prier; and I do further before the legal authorities, and tha

I knew Constance Craig. was acquainted with the arangement of rooms in the house

then, rather than at any other time, Constance Craig.

had ceased. When I lifted it up she the bank public; I have reasons-but table over, letting the rings fall to the knew, when I entered the oom of Constance Craig, that murthe possibilities fully in mind, and I neither claim now, nor will I ever, at any time, claim that thing." passion, the result of unforeseen cired in self-defense.

7. I will, when arraigned before the proper tribunal, plead guilty of the crime of murder in the first degree, and will not plead extenuating circumstances of any kind.

I promise to reveal fully all that regards the causes of the crime, and to give the names of all who knew of my purposes or any parts of them. Senn finished the reading, and looked thrust carelessly into his pocket. "Sign it!" he thundered at Senn.

across the table

"I will never sign it," he said, quietly, "for it would be a terrible lie! I—I am not guilty. I never-never heard the name of Constance Craig before." "Gilbert Senn, one or the other of us vill never leave this room alive unless get to the bottom of this mystery which has troubled me for years."

me this morning. It will be the easiest hing in the world for you to kill me; t will be a cowardly thing to do-but is may be a kind one; for I had rather die word against my name and my honor."

"You would?" "I would. I have a mother, a gray naired old lady, living among the hills to the north of us: I love her more than gold; the setting a heavy white stone would kill her to know that her boy

"And so you can shoot me to death if you desire, but you can neither "2. I admit the fact of these rings threaten nor bribe nor coax me into having been found by Mr. Prier under norrid lie!

"Lie? Is it a lie?" "It is. It would be a crime for me o sign it. I never knew Constance rings mentioned have been in my pos-And he covered his eyes with his Craig. I never knew the servants of hands, as though to shut out some Constance Craig, for I never knew the ervants of any person with whom I was personally unacquainted. I did his reading. not know the arrangement of the rooms

in a perfectly natural way. And yet- house of a stranger. I never entered the sleeping room of any woman.

> by waiting. with you?"

"I said it; with me-or with any one who bears my name. I would-

The world will not know it." "It may. I know it, and your wife cnows it."

"Very well. Suppose you two do? You will netiher of you tell. But it is ou who are wandering from the sub-

the murder of Constance Craig as any one event can be connected with anell that you robbed the bank?"

"Because your story would be ridiculous and apparently merely malicious them? unconfirmed by other evidence Think of what you have to tell, ending with helping a bank robber open his compare your story with those of othdead employer's safe and then inviting er men; twelve men will have an ophim home to supper. Would any one portunity to decide upon its truth or credit such a tale? You would be laughed out of Boomville."

"And why will not Mrs. Senn tell?" "For various reasons. No one even told you yet where I spent last night; I before heard of a woman doing what she did; no one would believe it now haven't told you yet how it would She may have the same idea regarding inghave been impossible, in the state dishonor and disgrace that I have; you Besides, I understand that some have felt the bank and its treasures were as the idea that her marriage was arsafe as they had ever been-far safer ranged solely to the end that the business in which her father was engaged might have the benefit of the money I fairly blazed night long, in front of Mr. Barron's am supposed to have had. I think she may be willing to let that idea go un-

contradicted." "But there would be dishener and isgrace in that."

hemselves in marriage-sell themselves for gold-every day. It may be the man who would disturb her." Senn less evident than in this case, usually, though none the less true. Compared and savagely together. than confession. And you-you, Gil- as a felon's wife, Mrs. Scnn may be

Hope was fighting with fear in Senn's character he was asked to claim for fully wondered at Prier and his pur-

pose, and thought bitterly in the pauses of the conversation of his own probable —and possible future. "And so," continued Senn, after onsiderable pause, "I think Mrs. Senn will not speak of my crime until der of Constance Craig!"

you do, and then---"Well?" Senn smiled.

"And then she will dispute you,"

Prier pondered over that proposition or some time; the thought was evidently new to him, and was as evi- out lently unpleasant. To think one has another man in his power-fully in his ver ring! The gold ring set with a power-and to have his intended vic-

criminal. prefer leaving out the period after his lawfully entered the sleeping room of are certainly a cool one. You are the was determined to hang. "5. She awoke and found me in greatest rascal it was ever my fortune There is wisdom and unwisdom. think I'd run any business without keeping my eyes wide open?"

"No: I think not."

"5. She awoke and found me in the form any business without keeping my eyes wide open?"

"No: I think not."

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no matter. I will tell you honestly, floor with the broken dishes, and tried however, that I had no doubt I could to crush them under his heels. Prier reached up and turned out the

"To much the same thing; yes, sir, o much the same thing. But now, I been thrown. Half way there, they do expect you to sign this, and to sign came in contact with one another. furious fight ensued in the darkness

And Prier pushed another somewhat engthy document across the table to in doubt. Both were strong; both were

Senn read it, and could have laughed for very joy. Compared with the former document it was so simple and so trivial. A man who did not quite uninnocent and vague a document as that; one who knew nothing whatever going on, I am very much afraid he Senn pushed the document back of its meaning might find pardon in his would have—spoiled this story! own eyes for writing the lie of his sig-

> There is always an "only" or an "if" or a "but" written across the safe and way; Senn fell so hard that he was

> Only, the shrewdest, keenest and other at his left, each a couple of yards

bert Senn, being pressed to tell the first; he fastened them upon the wrists truth regarding certain matters, do, in of his dazed foe, so that when Senn the presence of Mr. J. B. Prier, freely had recovered his senses he found himthe following statements: self a prisoner.

"1. I have seen two rings which may be described as follows: love anything else in this world. It on which are engraved an anchor-a

"(b) The other is an old-fashioned ring, the band of heavy silver; half of the setting, a blood-red brittle stone,

conclusion that they have been for many years in my possession I shall not deny, under any circumstances which may arise, that the

"I will not," answered Senn, pose old Donald Barron died alone, and in her house, for I never entered the I am in some way compelled to do so. "Well? What is it? The night is never committed the crime of murder. I let you wrong me, since I knew the I will never sign the paper you have power which sometimes lies in fear, by presented to me; I will not call for believing that I might kill you. You norrible-horrible-and I cannot bear kill me at once; you will gain nothing voke it by resistance to such authority "No; but I don't worry about that. for I found them and secured them. handed you, or you may let me try to prove that you know of these rings because you were the one who took the money from Barron's bank. You shall never have it to say that I have been unfair or underhanded; I have been frank and straightforward. I have andering from the subject. The bank proved myself a 'talkative detective' in obbery is as closely connected with very truth. But I am in earnest, desperately in earnest, and I tell you, Gilbert Senn, you have got to go into other. Will you tell me why I will not court and tell what you know of those

rings.

"Suppose I say I know nothing o "You'll have a chance to prove i

"I know nothing of other people's rings; I never saw your rings." "Sign the paper, or I'll brand you as

bank robber." "On my word of honor, I know noth-"Bah! The word of honor of a man

ing. You know nothing of the ringsnothing? Do you know nothing of the

his hand on Senn's shoulder. His eye

der?" he repeated; "nothing? Let me paint you a picture—a picture such as you painted me. Listen, man, listen and look up: An innocent woman "True. But women and men sell young and beautiful; see her sleeping quietly: fearlessly: God's vengeance on groaned. Prier shut his teeth sharply

"A beautiful picture," continued the detective: "a very Eden come to earth very willing to be regarded as a very again. But see! The serpent! A man fear. Why should he fear? The wo-With morning, he might find certainty man is weak-alone-defenseless; he is wretched indeed, who does not love life a coward. A shot may give alarm and and long for its continuance while bring help. A knife will leave a mark read. This was the paper he was ask- glad when it wandered away from the forces her back upon the bed-he covers her face with her own snow-white pillow; he-he-I cannot go on-I-

> "For God's sake stop," cried Senn excitedly: "I cannot bear it." "I should certainly think not. Gil bert Senn, I arrest you for the mur-

Prier sprang upon him, handcuffs hand. Senn threw him back. drew his pistol; Senn wrenched it away and tossed it across the room. Prier's casket slipped from his pocket, fell upon the table, struck in such a way as to open, and its contents fel

broad, flat, white stone, on which were

Miscellaneous Reading.

HUNTING IN BRAZIL'S FOREST. Deer Tracks Sometimes . Lead to

Jaguards. Deer hunters from the north find their experience of little use in hunting in the forests bordering the Amazon River in Brazil; not that the game is different, for the deer found there here, being simply a little more stocky, owing to the fact that their range is ound almost every where. Their runs ere mostly confined to the little paths

v keep open by nibbling the shoots is they intrude from year to year. while the fight in the darkness was could overtake or tire out his quarry, without doubt, but the well bred porthern dog in Brazil soon succumbs to as the pictures represent the lion pullthe climate and the many pests and ing the buffalo down, was unfortunate dangers which he can neither recogenough to slip; Prier's clothing gave nize nor defend himself against, such as snakes, scorpions and a host of stinging insects. His pendant ears,

odgment to his deadly enimies The native deerhound, as he is called, is not a hound at all, but a slender, almost hairless animal, with ears that stand erect instead of being pendulous. He is always alert for hidden dangers, or so distant. Fortunately, in every which he detects as quickly as his massense, his eyes fell upon the handcuffs ter can.

The only enemy he fails to avoid is the onca by which name the jaguar is known throughout South America, which sometimes gets between the deer and the dog, and when the later comes hanging limb or leaning tree trunk. The jaguar, like all the cat family, hates dogs, and takes pleasure in trapping one in this way, and is very expert in foreseeing where game will run

when pursued. Deer, like most other wild animals, confine themselves to a limited tract for their feeding ground. Their labyrinthine pathways lead to all parts of this tract, and the hunter who knows the ground selects a point on a run where the deer is likely to pass and

here awaits a shot. As moving about is often almost mpossible save in these tunnelike paths, hunting in this way is very fatiguing, for one can rarely stand erect in following the quarry, and getting your game home, if you are so fortunate as to get any, is sometimes a dif-

ficult problem. "My first experience in this kind of hunting was rather startling," said a man back from Brazil. "I had been of these paths and the dogs were coming toward me in full cry . I was expecting every moment to see the deer into view, when suddenly the barking ceased. "A moment later the dogs came up

behind me from the direction in which had come. Their backs were bristling like an angry cat's and their tails were between their legs and they badly scared.

"I had no doubt they had met an onca, but where? I began to creep cautiously along the path toward where I had last heard them barking. I had gone but a few yards when I heard the warning growl of an onca. "A moment later, peering around bend. I saw directly in the pathway and under the trunk of an overhanging tree a large onca lying on the body of a dead deer. He was licking the blood from the animal's throat and

"Evidently he had selected his amer. He was so near that it was easy

persists, passengers and cargoes come now happy and exultant at their norrow escape, arrived home just as the stars were beginning to appear. the locality of the hut where Peter the Great studied shipbuilding and was

"It may surprise you, but the narowest escape from death by wild anon both continents as peccaries. small tiger, terrible fighters too, but the inspection at Valencia de Alcantara

"You all know what a peccary is and ours are much like the Texan or the same gray, thin beast, shaped like the encroachments of the ocean. They the only animal I know that a gun

does not frighten. "Singly or in companies of three or against the rage of the waves. 'God four they are as timid as rabbits and behave much like them, lying perfectly shore,' says the Dutchman. These still until almost trodden on, then crashing away and making all the a broad leather band diagonally across noise they can. Few, hunters have

As we moved northward the three "Save in the breeding season they get together in droves of hundreds, these high bulwarks, patrolled and sometimes thousands; then, let then watched by day and by night, and alone if you are alone "The victim of the adventure I al-

when they run in plain sight.

all absent.

"4. I went to her house on the evening before the morning when she was found dead in her bed. I went than at any other time.

"But marriage and removal had detective who means to do nothing undetective who means to do nothing undetec aid he hoped to plant the gallows ward, took the water in a rush, prequiesced. She had found her master."

"But the hill was steep, and we walked slowly, and in half an hour he plodding along for a while we were startled by the report of a gun, followed shortly by another shot, far which under ordinary circumstances

squeals and yelps.

"We were silently to approach as quired as before and only one-half as chances with him.

hairy feet and thick coat of hair afford with sheep.

little nearer their victim.

was covered with a sea of jumping, years to twelve years and will reduce squalling, bristling, white-lipped pec- the annual charge from 11.52 cents to caries, with only one object in life, 9.48 cents, which amounts to a saving and it was only a question of time of \$58.75 per mile strategy succeeded.

through the woods and were soon out of our hearing.

fright and loss of blood. As he had painted shingles of the most decay rebeen riding carelessly along a stragaway.

"The horse had sprung sidewise and thrown him and galloped off. Morris was not hurt by the fall, but when he rose to his feet he saw peccaries peering at him on every side and drawing curiously nearer. He was very angry, and picking up his gun had shot the nearest two. "Instead of scampering away i

terror, as he had expected, they brissevering a vein.

"By curling his feet up he kep

ing one of the onca's huge forepaws to Showing How Easy It Is to Confound a Customs Officer With a Hotel Runner The American whose knowledge of be had free upon application to the Forester, Forest Service, Washington, Castilian was not over great left the Lisbon express at the station of Las Delicias in Madrid, his suit case in hand. There didn't seem to be anything to hinder, so he walked right through imals in Brazil that I ever witnessed the doorway and stopped on the platwas in an encounter with a drove of form for a moment before he took hose diminutive southern hogs known cab. He was a little surprised that no Of customs officer had been in the station course we have jaguars, as large as a to inspect baggage, but concluded that

n the frontier had been enough porters and cabmen, and as he knew dunes. They rise above the North sea, Mexican variety; a little larger, but where he was going he didn't care to a flatfish, tusks, curved up. This is This happened a moment later, a large tway, supposing him a hotel runner.

> The latter, however, thought it best sent out to Brazil by a firm in the to keep his calmness. He leaned over "Very ornamental lumber dealers, and tapped the brass badge. pretty," he said in his imperfect Spantract near the Amazon River and set ish. Then as a bright thought, "How that Prussian officers never indulged

The customs man grew angry and "The nearest neighbor of Capt. Val- with a movement of the hand indicative dez, with whom we were both stop- of deep disgust ordered the American faltered, "and I will try to sing." cuitous road, but there had been sev- in a group of twenty or thirty grinning, eral young people at both houses a chattering porters for twenty minutes few years previously and much visit- while he carefully examined every aring back and forth; so a straight bri- ticle in the bag. Then he chalked a to sing my best," she interposed. "You're lucky you didn't get

ed," said a Spanish friend to the Amercept the young man Morris. His city made him most angry was what you Record-Herald.

was out of sight and hearing. After It Can Be Prevented at Little Cost

ahead of us. "We had gone perhaps half a mile given preservative treatment costing when we began to hear the smother- about 10 cents, last eighteen years. The ed pop of a revolver, fired at intervals service of other timbers, such as railof a few seconds. About the same road ties, telephone poles, and mine time we became aware of a distant props, can be doubled and often trebled murmuring, or roaring, not unlike an by inexpensive preservative treatment. approaching storm; a moment later Today, when the cost of wood is a big this was punctuated with shrill item to every farmer, every stockman.

"The captain halted us, saying, There is trouble ahead, and we shall is likely to decay-this is a fact which be in it too if we are not careful, should be carefully considered. Morris has fallen in with a big drove of peccaries." Then he gave us his time timbers can be used is doubled, plan for a rescue.

sible without attracting their notice. few yards apart. When as near as

as we dashed forward. If the rear lasts about two years. Compounding trust them to stampede the lot, for charge of such a post is 7.53 cents; panic is contagious with peccaries as that is, it costs 7.53 cents a year to keep

by their comrades for a footing to get the interest on \$219.60.

when they would attain it. Fortunately for all concerned the captain's required each year to grow timber for "As we burst from our cover, making a noise by every means at our is not more than three years. By propcommand, the nearer animals, who er preservative treatment it can be had not yet seen us, took fright and prolonged by many times this figure. rushed in on the others, adding their Telephone and telegraph poles, which danger cries to our unearthly hubbub. in ten or twelve years, or even less, There was an instant's hush, then decay so badly at the ground line that

"When we came up to Morris he less in their natural state, almost fell into our arms, faint from be treated and made to outlast even

tled their backs and charged him. He scrambled into the nearest tree and thought he was safe, but one had sprung into the air and with a flirt of the head ripped open his shoe and oush in time to be ahead of both dog ploughed a deep gash in his foot,

to finish his career with a single shot out of further danger, but he was rapidly growing weak from bleeding and he would soon have fallen had with my game. I was fully a mile we not come to his rescue. We from the nearest house, and at least stanched the blood and got him home

## AN INCIDENT OF TRAVEL

ed to be annoyed by the importunity of have his handbag dragged from him man in corduroys seizing the bag. The American just as hurriedly took is

"No, hombre," cried the man in corduroys with a magnificent gesture throwing back his coat and displaying his chest adorned with a breastplate nerve enough to take a shot, even in gleaming brass which read "Ayuntamiento de Madrid" and some other things. He was the customs officer whose duty it was to look for tobacco and alcohol brought in. The apparent eagerness of the American to get way must have stirred his suspicions.

DECAY IN WOOD.

With Much Saving.

estimated that a fence post will last for perhaps two years, will, if in fact, who must use timber where it

It is easy to see that if the length of

only half as much timber will be re-

lose to the rear of the drove as pos- much money will need to be spent in the purchase of timber. Moreover, If Morris was not safely out of their many woods which were for a long reach we must rush in and take our time considered almost worthless can be treated and made to last as long as "If he was, we were to scatter a the scarcer and more expensive kinds, Of the actual savings in dollars and we could get, unnoticed, each was to cents through preservative treatment, find a tree he could quickly get into, a fence post such as was mentioned at if we failed to stampede them and the beginning might serve as one exwere attacked. Then at the captain's ample. The post is of lobiolly pine, and signal all were to begin to shoot, costs, untreated, about 8 cents, or inshout and make all the noise we could cluding the cost of setting, 14 cents. It ones took fright and ran, we could interests at 5 per cent, the annual "When we came in sight Morris ment costing 10 cents will increase its was seated astride a limb of a low length of life to about eighteen years. branched tree so near the ground In this case the total cost of the post, that he had to keep his feet drawn up set, is 24 cents, which compounded at to get them out of reach of the leap- 5 per cent, gives an annual charge of ing and snarling little fiends beneath, 2.04 cents. Thus the saving due to and we could see the blood trickling treatment is 5.49 cents a year. Assumfrom one torn shoe. Half a dozen or ling that there are 200 posts per mile, more victims of his small revolver there is a saving each year for every lay piled below him and were utilized mile of fence of a sum equivalent to

In the same way preservative treat-"For the space of at least one-fourth ment will increase the length of life of of an acre the ground below him a loblolly pine railroad tie from five

It is estimated that 150,000 acres are average life of an untreated mine prop the entire herd, and there must have they have to be removed, can, by a simbeen more than a thousand, tore off ple treatment of their butts, be made to last twenty or twenty-five years. Sap shingles, which are almost value-

sistant woods. Thousands of dollars gler from the drove had jumped out are lost every year by the socalled from almost under his horse's feet "bluing" of freshly sawed sapwood and with a sharp 'woof-woof' dashed lumber. This can be prevented by proper treatment, and at a cost so small as to put it within the reach of

the smallest operator.

In the south the cheap and abundant loblolly pine, one of the easiest of all high-grade longleaf pine for many purposes. Black and tupelo gums and other little-used woods have a new and possibility of preserving them from decay at small cost. In the Northeastern lock, beech, birch and maple, and the red and black oaks, all of which by proper treatment may help to replace the fast-diminishing white oak and cedar. In the states of the Mississippi valley the pressing fencepost problem may be greatly relieved by treating

such species as cottonwood, willow and hackberry Circular 139 of the Forest Service, "A Primer of Wood Preservation," tells in simple terms what decay is and how it can be retarded, describes briefly certain preservatives and processes, gives examples of the saving in dollars and cents, and tells what wood preservation can do in the future. The circular can

SANG HER VERY BEST. Frederick the Great Was Posted and

Marie Frausch Was Wise. donna named Marie Frausch, who lived in the time of Frederick the body displeased the haughty Frausch she, after the manner of prima donnas in general, would suddenly become too hoarse to sing. One evenher repertory, and it was expected that

the king would attend. At the appointed hour the manager came forward and announced that, owing to a sore throat, Fraulein Frausch was unable to appear. The people were preparing to leave the house, but his majesty rose and

commanded them to keep their seats.

A few moments afterward an officer

and four dragoons entered the capricious singer's room. "Fraulein," said the officer, "the king inquires after your health.'

"The king is very good," said Frausch, with a pout, "but I have a sore throat." "His majesty is aware of the fact

and has charged me to take you to the military hospital to be cured.' Fraulein, turning very pale, suggested that they were jesting, but was told

in persiflage. Soon she found herself in a coach with four men. "I am a little better now," Frausch "Back to the theater!" said the offi-

cer to the coachman. The fraulein began to think she had vielded too easily. "I shall not be able "Pardon, fraulein," responded the fficer, "but I think you will."

"Well," said Prier, at length, "you across the path of the "somebody" he tended to capsize and all at once acstarted to make a call, all on foot ex- every time you left the city. What than she did that night,-Chicago

"Because two dragoons in attend-

"And why?"

I felt at once that I never could like him; and I never waste words on these ledge of the facts, do make and sub-

> will then answer all questions which be asked me, and will answe fully and truthfully

"You may be sure I wouldn't. And minutes. I held it until her struggles make your crime in connection with threw the chance away. He turned the ivory.

der was likely to be necessary. I de- prove that you stole Donald Barron's liberately and thoughtfully did as I money-or that you say you did it-" "Which amounts to much the same He meant to save his rings, at any cost.

it promptly.'

lazedly up. Prier sat watching him derstand it might find an excuse for narrowly, one hand—the right—being putting his name at the bottom of so pened to put his hand on that pistol,

Only-

completely stunned for a moment the simple in temptation's path. Prier lighted a match, partly to see most merciless detective in America what had happened and partly to aid wrote it, and he has hung men on him in determining what should hap-"Very well. I am unarmed, as you evidence whose beginnings were even pen next; his pistol and his handcuffs know, for you took pains to inquire of more vague than that. This is the new were both upon the floor and both in confession which Senn was asked to plain sight, one at his right and the

"Boomville, Me., Nov. 9th, 1870. "To Whom it May Concern: I, Gil-

"(a) One of them is a seal ring; his pocket. By that time, there were a female head below it-and the letter 'S'

"Will you sign that?" asked Prier, persuasively, when Senn had finished

murderer of that woman shall hang, help; I will not try to escape. If you have been in no danger; you will be in unless I find the grave of the guilty It is are resolved that I must sign or die, no danger if you do not yourself proas I may have. Let me explain: Those that murder, must and shall do so "You say you had rather die than rings were found by me on the floor of Whoever robbed the bank in this city ave dishonor and disgrace connected Donald Barron's bank, near the safe. can explain the fate of Constance They were not there when the bank Craig. closed on Saturday night, for the room the case may be. I shall wring a full was carefully swept by a boy at the and explicit statement from the man "No matter. We are wandering from close of the day's work, while you finer to life-only to find head and throat the subject. You would not like the ished your work upon the books. They who stole Barron's money, whoever he mas be. You say you did it!" world to know that you robbed the bank were there the morning after; they were there when I examined the bank, Now you may sign the paper I have

Prier sprang up excitedly. He laid

creeps into the room. There is crime written all over his face-crime and where its strength for evil falls, and

posts to Friesland. The voyage might take a day, but what of that? There is only one way to travel in Hollandby water. The boat glides through the towns and the many windmills. Life

and go, but you are no longer at war "The real difficulty was what to do with the world or in trouble with it You are a spectator, idling through a summer day, wrapped in aloofness, half the way I must crawl through where he soon recovered." content merely to be moving through one of those little tunnels, and night the moist and luminous air. When the vas already falling. So I took some environs of Amsterdam are left behind choice cuts from the deer, and sever and the water side houses give place to the reeds that bend as the backauthenticate my story to my friends at home I put them in my game bag and followed by the dogs, who were sea, obsesses the traveler. I forgot to

habitation from among the dwellings four square, stretching in an endless line along the waterway, on the other to be molested by one. side the meadows, and beyond them, far away, the sweeping line of the and on their sandy sides and heights men are forever on the watch against plant the shrub called helm that binds the sand together, making a bulwark gave us the sea, but we made the

dam there is one master key a turn of luded to was a young man who was which in times of peril from foreign invasion will drown the land again. "And as I mused there swept past a who wished to purchase a suitable parge. The great sail was hoisted. The family, a mite of the 50,000 canal up a sawmill. A bright fellow, but no much did it cost you?" population who live out their lives on these floating houses, were gathered round the tiller, where mynheer ping was some six miles by the cirymbol of this sea conquering people. Below the Helder I landed. Beyond is the fort, with the fringe of islands outposting Friesland, the fishing fleet and the gunboats, and the channel bedle path-every one rides horseback sign and let the American go nswered. Do you like Mr. Lyman?"

Prier reached across the table, took he letter from Senn's hands, and read

"3. I knew some of the servants, and knew that they were sometimes all absent.

"4. I went to her house on the detective who means to do nothing unsuch as the engraved an anchor, a woman's head, and the letter "S." The silver ring disagreeable—perhaps as much so to a detective who means to do nothing unsuch as the engraved an anchor, a woman's head, and the letter "S." The silver ring disagreeable—perhaps as much so to a detective who means to do nothing unsuch as the engraved an anchor, a woman's head, and the letter "S." The silver ring disagreeable—perhaps as much so to a detective who means to do nothing unsuch as the engraved an anchor, a woman's head, and the letter "S." The silver ring disagreeable—perhaps as much so to a detective who means to do nothing unsuch as the engraved an anchor, a woman's head, and the letter "S." The silver ring disagreeable—perhaps as much so to a detective who means to do nothing unsuch as the engraved an anchor, a woman's head, and the letter "S." The silver ring disagreeable—perhaps as much so to a detective who means to do nothing unsuch as the engraved an anchor, a woman's head, and the letter "S." The silver ring disagreeable—perhaps as much so to a detective who means to do nothing unsuch as the engraved an anchor, a woman's head, and the letter "S." The silver ring disagreeable perhaps as much so to a detective who means to do nothing unsuch as the engraved an anchor, a woman's head, and the letter "S." The silver ring and the letter "S there-had been out over an interven-