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CHAPTER XII. Loss and Gain.

Striving feebly as one who gathers up the shreds and fragments after an explosion. Griswold remembered cloudily the supper of tasteless courses at the Hotel Chouteau.

Late in the day the doctor came, and when the professional requirements were satisfied, Griswold learned the bare facts of his succoring. It was characteristic of the Griswold of other days that the immense obligation under which the Griswolds had placed him made him gasp and perspire afresh.

Griswold looked long and earnestly at the face of his professional adviser. It was a good face, clearly lined, benevolent, and, above all, trustworthy.

"Tell me one thing more, doctor, if you can. What was the motive? Was it just heavenly good-heartedness—or—"

"The doctor's smile was the least possible shade witty."

"It is pretty late to begin looking for the thief now."

"When you have lived a few years longer in this world of ours, you will not probe too deeply into motives; you will take the deed as the sufficient exponent of the prompting behind it."

"There was another package—of papers in one of the grips," he said, faintly; quite a large package wrapped in brown paper.

"There was money in the package," he said, leaving the physician to infer what he pleased.

"Do you know, you're the most wonderful person I have ever known?" he said to Margery, on the first of the

sunning days when she had come to perch in the window seat opposite his chair. "Do you believe in destiny?" She nodded brightly.

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Duty of Newspaper is to Give its Readers the Truth. The Yorkville Enquirer was severely criticized because it published a speech by Mr. Bleese at the Filbert picnic.

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ENGLAND MAKES HER REPLY Holds That Her Interests Is the Law.

BLOCKADE MUST BE A BLOCKADE Long Note Discusses Points of Difference as to Neutral Rights, Etc., but Does Not Admit Any Point of Contention.

Washington, August 3.—Great Britain's reply to the latest American representations against interference with neutral commerce rejects entirely the contention that the orders in council are illegal and justify the British course as being wholly within international law.

"Unustainable either in point of law or upon principles of international equity," is the British reply to the American protest against the blockade of neutral ports, with an invitation to submit to international arbitration any case in which the United States is dissatisfied with the action of British prize courts.

Great Britain's reply in two notes, was made public here tonight and in London simultaneously by agreement between the governments. With the note was made public also the correspondence over the American steamer Neches, seized by the British while en route from Rotterdam to the United States with goods of German origin.

Changed conditions of warfare, the British note contends, require a new application of the principles of international law. The advent of the submarine, the airship and the alleged atrocities by German troops in Belgium are cited as justification for the exercise of extreme measures.

The note reiterates that Great Britain will continue to apply the orders in council, although not without every effort to avoid embarrassment to neutrals, and observes that the American statistics show that any loss in trade with Germany and Austria has been more than overbalanced by the increase of other industrial activities due to the war.

In the general reply to the American representations against the orders in council, Sir Edward Grey, the foreign minister, addressing Ambassador Page, begins by expressing the hope that he may be able to convince the administration at Washington "that the measures necessary to apply the orders in council are not only responsible and necessary in themselves, but constitute no more than an adoption of the old principles of blockade to the peculiar circumstances with which we are confronted."

"I need scarcely dwell," wrote Sir Edward, "on the obligations incumbent upon the allies to take every step in their power to overcome their common enemy in view of the shocking violation of the recognized rules and principles of civilized warfare of which he has been guilty during the present struggle."

which blockade running could be facilitated. "Your excellency will no doubt remember," wrote Sir Edward, "how in order to meet this new difficulty, the British court declared: 'The nations of the world need not be apprehensive that orders in council will emanate from the government of this country in such violation of the acknowledged laws of nations that it is conceivable that our prize tribunals, holding the law of nations in reverence, would feel called upon to disregard and refuse obedience to the provisions of such orders.'"

Sir Edward then points out that the legality of the orders in council, or of the measures taken under them, have not yet been brought to a decision in a prize court, but he reminds the United States that "it is open to any United States citizen, whose claim is before the prize court, to contend that any order in council which may affect his claims is inconsistent with the principles of international law and is therefore not binding upon the court."

"The celebrated Matamoros cases of the civil war are cited to show that the supreme court of the United States held it had the right to reverse the decisions of prize courts and that 'there was no doubt of the jurisdiction of an international tribunal to review the decisions of the prize courts of the United States, where the parties alleging themselves aggrieved had prosecuted their appeals to the court of last resort.'"

"If the United States should be dissatisfied with decisions of British prize courts as sustained by the prize court, the British government is prepared to concert with the United States 'in order to decide upon the best way of applying the principle to the situation which would then have arisen.'"

"To the American note in the case of the steamer Neches, which summarily demanded the expeditious seizure of the American-owned goods detained under the orders in council, 'the international invalidity of which the government of the United States regards plainly illustrated by the present instance,' Great Britain replies that 'while these acts of the German government continue (sinking neutrals as well as British merchant ships irrespective of destination or origin of cargo and without proper regard for safety of passengers or crews), it seems neither reasonable nor just that His Majesty's government should be pressed to abandon the rights claimed in the British note... and to allow goods from Germany to pass freely through waters effectively patrolled by British ships of war.'"

Great Britain offers, however, to make a special examination in the Neches case if hardship has been inflicted. "The British reply in short, is a declaration that the United States is a territory under German control."

Switzerland celebrated the 624th anniversary of Swiss independence last Sunday. During the five days ending Monday night, 45 persons died in Philadelphia on account of heat prostrations. Monday's toll was 19 persons.

Major General Goethals, builder of the Panama canal, left Panama for his home Monday. He has severed his connection with the big ditch. A \$2,000,000 corporation has been organized at South Bethlehem, Pa., to manufacture fast color dyes by a process invented by a Philadelphia chemist.

Abraham Cornelius, a married man, cashier of a national bank at Eaglewood, N. J., has disappeared, likewise \$11,000 in cash and also one young woman stenographer. During the month of July 59 persons were killed in New York state by motor cars. New York city's toll was 24. In New Jersey the deaths due to automobiles totaled 28 persons.

TOLD BY LOCAL EXCHANGES News Happenings in Neighboring Communities.

CONDENSED FOR QUICK READING Dealing Mainly With Local Affairs of Cherokee, Cleveland, Gaston, Lancaster and Chester.

Lancaster News, Aug. 3: After having been in failing health for a number of years, Aunt Patsy Crawford, aged 77 years, wife of Henry Crawford, colored, died Saturday night at her home in Lancaster. She had formerly been a slave, the property of the Crawfords and later the Wylie family.

Gaffney Ledger, Aug. 3: With the awakening life of a new day there was brought to a close a long and useful life by the death of Mrs. Caroline Hodder, which occurred at 5 o'clock Friday morning at the home of her son, Suttle, in the Wilkinsville section of the county. "Aunt Caroline," as she was lovingly called by her many friends, was 81 years, 6 months and 21 days of age.

Death was caused by a general breakdown, due to advanced age. She is survived by three children: John F. and Suttle Hopper, both of Cherokee county, and Mrs. Ruth Lavender of Easley, N. C. She is also survived by a brother, Andrew Moore, of the Buffalo section of the county.

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HAPPENINGS IN THE STATE Items of Interest From All Sections of South Carolina.

Mrs. A. W. Klutz died at her home in Chester Tuesday at noon. The Conross mill of Anderson, has a contract to manufacture asbestos yarns for several European governments. Ten negroes were registered in Richland county last Monday, to vote in the prohibition election of September 14.

The annual meeting of the South Carolina division of the Junior Order United American Mechanics, was held in Columbia this week. Textile workers of Anderson, to the number of nearly 1,000, have recently formed a union under the auspices of the United Textile Workers of America.

Nat Smith, a 17-year-old boy of Mullins, was struck by a passenger train in that town Monday afternoon, receiving injuries from which he will likely die. According to the state bureau of vital statistics, there were 2,418 deaths in South Carolina during the month of June. There were 3,398 births in the state during the month.

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