## The Million Dollar Mystery

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when I turn out the lignes ne co

the lights on till you re but and follow

brain: I've made three moves failed in each. What's come

cesses. The wheel of chance is ways turning around."

would smoke whether it was agree

paused.

"I can try."

"Thanks. At least it proves you still

have some consideration for me. You

cigar. And it always helps you to think."

Braine lit the cigar and began his customary pacing. At length he

"Suppose we have a real old-fash-

ioned coaching party out to the old mansion we know about?"
"And what shall we do there?"

presides over his household? I might understand it if I didn't know that

Hargreave is really afraid of nothing. Where is the man with the five thou-sand, picked up at sea? What was

the reason for Jones carrying that box

out in broad daylight? Who is the chap watching across the street? Sometimes I believe in my soul—if I

have one!—that Hargreave is playing with us, playing! Well," flinging the

with us, playing: well, minging the half consumed cigar into the grate, "the Black Hundred slways goes forward, win or lose, and never forgets."
"We are a fine pair!" said the wo-

"We are exactly what fate intended

us to be. They wrote you down in the book as a beautiful body with a crooked mind. They wrote me down

s the devil, doomed to roam earth'

anging away at their typewri

and intermingling you could hear the

The managing editor came out

"I wanted a stick on that Panama

"No. Guess I'd better put that in he cubbyhole. He's dead." "No will found yet?"

"Not a piece as big as a postage

"That will leave the girl in a tough

Inat will leave the girl in a tough case. No will, no birth certificate; and, worst of all, no photograph of the old man himself. I don't see why Jim sidestepped this affair. He the only man in town who knew anything

ight city editor.

"Killed?"

your departure."

CHAPTER VI.

"Did you get the range?" asked the countess, when late that night Braine

countess, when have that night branches, recounted his adventure.

"Range!" he snarled. "My girl, haven't I just told you that I had to fight for my life? My boat was in for it till figures. We had to swim for it till we were picked up by a Long Island barge tug. I don't know what became of the motorman. He must have headed straight for shore. And I'm glad he did. Otherwise he'd be howl-ing for the price of another boat. Olga, for the first time I've had to let one of the boys have a look at my face. Doesn't know the name, but one of these days he'll stumble across it, and the result will be black mail, unless I push him off into the dark. It was accidental."

hands tightly clinched. Braine made a gesture of despair.
Leo, are you using any drug these

"Don't make fun of me. Olga," impatiently. "Did you ever see me drink more than a pint of wine or smoke more than two cigars in an evening What! let my brain go and never will I! I'm keen about the gray matter I've got, and by the Lord Harry, I'm going to keep it. There's only one dope fiend in the Hundred, only one dope fiend in the Hundred, and he's one of the best decoys we have; so we let him have his coke whenever he really needs it. But this man Felton has seen my face. Some day he'll see it again, ask questions,

and then . ."
"Then what?"
"A burial at sea," he laughed. The
laughter died swiftly as it came.
"Threw it into eight hundred feet of water, on a bar where the sands are always shifting. He'll never find it. even if he took the range. He could not have got a decent one. The sun was dropping and the shadows were was aropping and the shadows were long. He threw the chest into the water and then began pegging away at us, cool as you please, and fired

"It looks to me as if he had wasted

"That depends. Between you and me and the gate-post, I've a sneaking idea that this man Jones, whom no-body has given any particular atten-tion, is a deep, clever man. He may have been honestly attempting to find new hiding place; the advertisement He may have thrown the box over in pure rage at seeing himself checkmated. Again, the whole thing have been worked up for our fit, a blind. But if that's the case. Jones has us on the hip, for we can't tell. But we can do what in all probability he expects we'll cease to do—watch him just as shrewdly as

Olga caught his hand and drew him down beside her. "I wasn't going to bother you tonight, but it may mean something vital."

"What?" alertly.

For reply she rose and walked over to the light button. She pressed it and the apartment became dark. "Come over to the window, quick!"

She dragged him across the room, "Over the way, the house with the marble frontage A man emerged, lit a cigarette, and walked leisurely down the street. "No!" she cried as Blaine turned

to make for the door doubtless with the intention of finding out who this man was. "Every night after you leave he appears." "Does he follow me?"

at first. I believed he was watching some apartment shove. But regularly

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DENTIST . . .

"Too late."
"Where's Jim Norton?"
"At the chamber of commerce banquet. The major is going to throw a
comb into the enemy's camp."
"Nothing on the Hargreave stuff?"

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"Off with your glad rags!"
"Anything good?" asked the manag-

ing editor.
"The lid has been jammed on tight. No wine in any restaurant after one o'clock. There'll be a roundup of ev-

orth. So there's no doubt that he watches you enter and takes note of "But doesn't follow me. That's odd.
What the devil is his idea?" "I'd give a good deal to learn."
The shadow and the glowing cigar-

stepped forward. "Mr. Norton?"

turned on again.
"He's gone. You really think he's,
watching me?" ered his hat swiftly. "He is watching this apartment, I

er was watching from his vantage be- taxi?"

hind the corner.
"Suspicious!" he murmured, tossing "All the way to Syracuse, if you say so. Well, I'll be tinker d—d!'
"No names, please!"

tained the sodden appearance of monoy recently submerged in water.

and learn who he is."
"It's mighty important."
"Don't scowl. At your age a wrinkle is apt to remain if you once get it He laughed. "Wrinkles!" She could talk of wrinkles!
"They are more important than you think. Every morning I rub out the wrinkle I go to bed with."
"I wish you could rub out the gen-eral stupidity which is wrinkling my "But you are to go along, too," said

"I. Miss Florence?" "The countess invited you especially.
You will go with a hamper."

"Ah, in my capacity as butler; very good, Miss Florence." .To her he gave no sign of his secret satisfaction. "Perhaps you've had too many suchour arrived, and the gay party bowled away. They wound in and out

of the streets toward the country to the crack of the whip and the blare o the horn. Florence's enjoyment would



Was Chatting

have been perfect had it not been for the absence of Norton. Why hadn't he been invited? She did not ask because she did not care to disclose to the countess her interest in the re-porter. They were nearing the limits of the city, when the coach was forced to take a sharp turn to avoid an automobile in trouble. The man puttering at the engine raised his head. It was forton, and Florence waved her hand

"A coaching party," he murmured "and your Uncle James was not invit-ed! Oh, very well!" He laughed, and suddenly grew serious. It would not hurt to find out where that coach was

"Killed?"
"Why, yes. I'm not the kind of chap who dies in bed, surrounded by the weeping members of the family, doctor, nurse, and priest. I'm a scoundrel; but it has this saving grace, I enjoy being a scoundrel. Now, I'm going up to the club. There's nothing like a game of billiards or chess to smooth that wrinkle which seems to worry you." He set to work savagely, located the trouble, righted it, and set off for the Hargreave home. He found Susar and bombarded her with questions which to Susan came with the rapidity In the great newspaper office there was a mighty racket. Midnight always means pandemonium in the city room of a metropolitan daily.

of rain upon the roof.
"So Jones went along?"
"In his capacity of butler only."
Norton smiled. "Well, I'll take aunt out there myself. You are sure

Copy boys were rushing to and fro, messengers and printers with sticky galleys in their hands; reporters were since they wouldn't invite me. I'm one of the best little waiters you ever heard of; and all things come to his office and approached the desk of the night city editor.

"Editorial page gone down?"

"Twenty minutes ago," said the

What a pleasant, affable young man was! thought Susan as she watched thought Susan as she watched np into the car and go flying Jones was a good deal surprised

like this?" the butler demanded.
"I'm a suspicious duffer; maybe

that's the reason."
"Do you know anything?"
"Well, no; I can't say that I do.
But, hang it, I just had to come out "Maybe it's just as well you did,"

of Jones moodily.
"I know this place. The housekeep r used to be my nurse, and if she is ill on the job she may be of service us. You don't think they'll question

"Hardly. I'll put in a word for you. we had enough servants to take care of the luncheon."

'And now I'll go and hunt up Meg." charge of the house; and when "baby" disclosed his identity she

"Yes; and Jim is the sort every pa- all but fell upon his neca.
er needs. When the time comes the "But what are you doing here, Here dressed up as a waiter?'

"It's a little secret, Meg. I wasn't

changed them?"

"No; it is just the same here as it used to be. Come along and I'll show

you."
Norton inspected the rooms caretally, stowing away in his mind every detail. He might be worrying about nothing; but so many strange things had happened that it was better to be on the side of caution than on the side of carelessness. He left the house and ran across Jones carrying a basket of wine.

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"Here, Norton; take this to the party. I want to reconnoiter."

"All right, m'lud! Say, Jones, how much do you think I'd earn at this lob" comically.

"Get along with you, Mr. Norton. It may be the time to laugh, and then it may not.

"I'm going back into the house and hide behind a secret panel. I've got smoke, and set about to find the c my revolver. You go to the stables and take a try at my car; see if she works smoothly. We may have to do some hiking. Where is the countess

They usually go about it in the w way, and come to the conclusion it is all a matter of coincidence.

There are many reasons why in this?"

"Leave that to me, Mr. Norton," said the butler with his grim smile. "Be off; they are moving back toward the

So Norton carried the basket around to the lawn, where it was taken from his hands by the regular servant. He sighed as he saw Florence, laughing and chatting with a man who was a stranger and whom he heard admay be detriment. dressed as count. Some friend of the countess, no doubt. Where was all this tangle going to end? He wished he And what a yarn he was going to write some day! It would be read like one of Gaboriau's tales. He turned away to wander idly about the grounds, when beyond a clump of cegrounds, when beyond a clump of co-dars he saw three or four men conversing slowly. He got as near as possible, ly, it usually means a poker game or something worse. He caught a phrase or two as it came down the wind, and then he knew that the vague suspi-cion that had brought him out here cion that had brought him out here had been set in motion by fate. He

pure luck that he had had old Meg show him through the house, otherwise he would have forgotten all about the secret panel in the wall and the painting. Jones shrugged resignedly. Were these men of the countess

party? Norton couldn't say.

Norton made his hiding place in safety; and by and by he could hear the guests moving about in the room. Then all sounds ceased for a while. A door closed sharply.

lady," said a man's voice.
"What do you mean, sir?" demanded the beloved voice.

"It means that no one will return to

ruptly, and something like scuffling ensued. Later Norton heard the back of a chair strike the panel and some one sat heavily upon it. He waited perhaps five minutes; then he gently slid back the panel. Florence sat bound and gagged under his very eyes. It was but the work of a moment to

"It is I. Jim. Do not speak or make and the panel slipped back into place The room behind the secret panel had

breathlessly. "Something told me to follow you

And something is always going to tell me to follow you, Florence." She pressed his hand. It was to her as if one of those book heroes had

Who was the man?' he asked. "The Count Norfeldt. Some one has imposed upon the countess."

"What do you mean?" slowly swung out like a door.

At the stable they were confronted with the knowledge that Norton's car was out of commission: Jones could do nothing with it. Then Norton sugge ess; but there were men about, so the limousine was out of the question. "Horses!" whispered Jones. "There

some explaining, taking these mags off like this. We won't have to ride out in front where the picknickers are. in front where the picknickers are. There's a lane back of the stable, and

main road."

The three mounted and clattered away. To Florence it had the air of a prank. She was beginning to have such confidence in these two inventive.

prattied and jested and laughed with her company, who were quite unaware

that a drama was belt-g enacted right under their very noses. The countess, while she acted superbly, tore her handkerchief into shreds. There was something sinister in the way all their plans fell through at the very moment of consummation; and that night she determined to ask Braine to withdraw from this warfare, which gradually decimated their numbers vithout getting anywhere toward the

E ALAMANCE GLEANER.

Jones shouted that the limousine was tearing down the road. Some-thing must be done to stop it. He suggested that he drop behind, leave his horse, and take a chance at pot-ting a tire from the shrubbery at the

"Keep going. Don't stop, Norton, till you are back in town. I'll manage to take good care of myself." (To be Continued.)

BERLIN A SMOKELESS TOWN Regulations the Principal

Cause for Clean Atmosphere in German Capital. Visitors who go to Berlin to make

industrial investigations, being usually aware of the fact that the Kaiser's capital is one of the largest manu facturing cities in the world, are amazed that the air is so free from smoke, and set about to find the cause. They usually go about it in the wrong way, and come to the conclusion tha

lin is smokeless, and these reason range all the way from police regula "Be tions to the economy of the inhabi-the tants in the use of fuel. There is actually no law against smoke, but Clause 27, Part 2, Paragraph 10, says:

"The necessary measures for the preservation of the public peace safety, and health, and the averting preventing, and removing whateve may be detrimental to the genera public or to the individual member

thereof belong to the function and duty of the police. That is quite sufficient, and yet the reasons why the police rarely have to enforce this clause in regard to smoke are to be found elsewhere. In the first place most of the big factories were placed, for that very reason, on the eastern edge of the city, and the prevailing wind blows from the west, so that it is only one day use it is usually compressed in the Navy partic form of briquettes, which burn stead ners were:

They are ordered from day to day or from week to keep up a certain standard of heat, using a fixed quantity of coal; if they manage to keep up the standard with less fuel class; James A. Walsh, quartermaster, first class; James A. Walsh, quartermaster, that class is the class of the class is the class of th They are ordered from day to day or they are allowed a certain percentage of the value of the fuel saved. This of the value of the fuel saved. This is one reason why Berlin stokers are so eagerly sought for by the transAtlantic liners to tend their furnaces. Atlantic liners to tend their furnaces.

Careful Selection of Vines and Shrubs Will Make Ordinary House Attractive,

house and its architectural defects, men of the Navy and marine corps the spaces of a wall that seems blank and forbidding, and will concern the spaces of a wall that seems blank and forbidding, and will concern the spaces of a wall that seems blank and forbidding, and will concern the spaces of a wall that seems the spaces of a wall that seems the spaces of the s ceal any crude carpentry that the into-its surroundings, while the apparent breadth of a house that is too narrow can be increased materially by a deep planting of shrubbery at the sides.

must be concealed, and any tregular ities in its outline, such as the an gles formed by steps or extending wings, filled in with shrubbery. Flow ers are not good for this purpose they do not make masses that are over, they are on duty for less than

half the year. Choose shrubbery of varying height to avoid monotony. Pearl bush, Tar tarian honeysuckle, American haw thorn, lilac and syrings are exce lent tall shrubs that will succeed un golden bell, Japanese barberry, and the deutzias are useful in front of other shrubs to make a good transit

Drape the veranda with vines, no masses of feathery, white flowered cle matis that blooms in the fall, cle paniculata, will make the veranda de lightful for six months every year.

red current in a New York subway system a moment later to a stand-still for eight and half hours, caused the death of one person, a woman passenger, and the injury of 204 oth ers by partial asphyxiation or hurti-due to the frightful panic that drove several hundred persons to fight for life and air in darkness.

Because she refused to wed. Mis Susan Lewis, a Bronx school teacher was slain; before dying she accuse Frank Borchman, a manufacturer. The Remey Electric Co., will build nent citizen of Columbus county died \$1,000.000 plant in Detroit.

SIR HENERY HOWARD



Henry Howard was recently ap pointed envoy from England to the Holy See at Rome. He was fo nown in the United States.

## BLUEJACKEIS HONORED

PRSENTS THE BADGES OF HEROISM TO MEN.

Boys Are Honored Who Bore Them selves With Distinction Under Fire in Mexican Port.

presented by Secretary Daniels to 13 enlisted men of the United State Navy who won special mention for distinguished conduct at the occupa-tion of Vera Cruz in April last. The out of five or six that the smoke is formal ceremony took place on the blown across the city. Second there is the fuel used. This is lignite or Brooklyn Navy Yard and Rear Admirbrown coal." As a mineral it is not so "old" as American coal, is much of the Atlantic fleet, who commanded lighter in weight and is almost en- the American naval force's at Vers tirely consumed on combustion. For Cruz, and other high officers of the use it is usually compressed in the Navy participated. The medal win

in making lierlin smokeless, however, is economical. Locomotive firemen and the stokers in factories receive premiums for the coal they save They are ordered from day to day or third class; Charles L. Nordsiek, sea class; William Zuiderveld, hospital steward; Harry C. Beasley, coxswain; Edward A. Gisburne, electrician, sec HOW TO BEAUTIFY THE HOME ond class, was not present to receive his medal, but it had been sent to him

Secretary Daniels also read a long bluejackets and marines, who had re ceived special mention for heroist

even more charming. Study your own restraint displayed by the officers and

The Secretary spoke of the ho

paid these heroes at the time their bodies were brought to the United States, when President Wilson, himself in an address at Brooklyp, voiced the Nation's appreciation of their

Kitchener, Addresses English House, London.-The House of Lords met month earlier than the House o Commons chiefly to hear from Lore Kitchener a review of the military operations for the six weeks since Parliament was prorogued. the speech of the Secretary for War contained little not already known of office, but beyond this the scene was lacking in the usual color for of the long rows of peeresses tually every one was in mourning.

Panio in New York Subway. New York.—The worst accident in 10 years' history of New York's sub-way occurred during the morning rush hours when 700 passengers in two stalled trains were stricken with pani in the darkened tubes, by dense smoke and acrid fumes from a short circuited cable. In the struggle to escape some 200 persons were injured, one a wo-man, fatally. Others, overcome, were street unnerved or hysterical, thei clothing torn and faces blackened. NORTH CAROLINA NEWS BRIEFS

There are 343 students enrolled at Wake Forest for the spring term.

The corporation commission has or The corporation con

dered a new set of tariffs on glass jars from Pittsburg.

Work will soon be begun to replace the Presbyterian Farm School near Asheville, which was destroyed by fire recently.

Joseph A. Baldwin, aged 71; prom

PEACE GELEBRATED

COMMEMORATE AT NEW OR-LEANS THE CENTURY FOL LOWING BIG BATTLE.

ENGLAND PLAYED A PART

Special Envoy of the British Kine Felicitated Representative of the Government of United States.

New Orleans .- A three-day celebra

tion of the one hundredth anniversary of peace among English-speaking people was held on the site of the last

armed conflict between - the United States and Great Britain. The co-monies opened with the firing of a salute of 2 guns so timed that the last gun boomed at 8:20 o'clock, exactly 100 years to the minute, according to historians, that General Jackson fis-ally triumphed over the British on the field of Chalmette near New Orleans. Peace advocates from many parts of the United States and Canada nessed formal exchange of greetings between a representative of the Pres-ident of the United States and an especially appointed envoy of the King of England, watch the unveiling of a monument to General Jackson and the maneuvers of the Seventh United States Infantry and other regular sol States infantry and other regular sol-diers transported from Texas City, Texas, for the celebration. The Sev-enth Infantry composed a part of Jackson's command 100 years ago. The soldiers were in charge of Brig. Gen. J. Franklin Bell, commanding of-ficer of the Second Division who is here with 72 other army officers and here with 72 other army officers and 2,000 men. Sailors also took part in the Chalmette ceremonies and a mili-tary parade was commanded by Rear Admiral McLean, who arrived here on the battleship Rhode Island from

Cera Cruz. oration reception for Mrs. William Gerry Slade, president general of the United Daughters of 1776-1812, tool prominent in this organization and ome members of the Daughters of the Confederacy are here

Most Significant of Campaigns Has

Now Begun.

London.—A complete change in the situation in the Near East may be brought about by the Russian victory tover the Turks in the Caucasus. If the Turkish fleet is as sweeping as has been reported officially—the virtual destruction of two Turkish arms.

The President spoke briefly of Mexico. He said the people there are entitled to liberty, "no matter how long they take in determining it." Speaking slowly and carefully, he declared that "so far as my influence goes, while I am President, no body shall interfers with them." ual destruction of two Turkish army corps and the repulse of a third-the The loss of so many of their best trained officers and men it is believed here, will compel the Turks to give up any ambition they had of invading their enemy's territories and force them to cencentrate on the defense of their own country. wever are, taking even greater nterest in the Russian invasion of Hungary through Uzsok Pass in the Carpathians, and their rapid advance on Transylvania through Bukowina simultaneously with their movement toward Cracow. These combined operations are the most gigantic under

taking in the war.

In the meantime the Russians are held by the Austro-Germans in Western Galicia. Field Marshal von Hin-denburg, the German commander in Northern Poland, can move but slowly in his offensive operations against Warsaw because of the muddy roads

Thirty-Day Rate Reduced. of the Richmond Federal reserve bank authorized a reduction of onehalf of one per cent in the re-discount rate on thirty-day paper. rate, 4 -2 per cent is effective at once. The other rates, 5 per cent for 60 to o day paper and 6 per cent for more than 90 days, are unchanged. ernor George Seay said that the re-duction was ordered because of the general reduction in discount rates throughout the country.

er's recommendations regarding fur-ther legislation which went to the Leg-islature include the following proposd laws: For removal of derelict off cials: prohibiting all clubs from sers ing liquor or operating lockers search and selzure law; strict regulation of liquor sales by druggists; interchange of judges; amendments to the anti shipment law. The so-called "ance" law, he says, should be an ed in several particulars. One is the lestruction of her fixtures.

Villa Moving on Border Towns El Paso, Texas, General Villa te moving to attack the Carranza garrions of the Mexican border towns opposite Naco and Douglas, Ariz., with 8,000 Convention troops. To drive the Carranza forces out of the border towns is Villa's solution of the probem of stopping border fighting. It became known here that Villa had communicated his intention to Genral Scott, United States Chief of Staff here, to secure an agreement to neutralize the border cities. Uracksmen broke open a safe in the store of J. C. Adams near Fayette-ville recently and secured \$400 in

The Duplin Enterprise weekly paper that has been published at Warsaw for the past year has been moved to Bowden and will be published there. J. E. Provo. formerly superintend ent of the chaingang system of Craves county, has been elected by the Pas quotank county commissioners super intendent of the Pasquotank count

roads, at a salary of \$1,200 per year.

## HUNDRED YEARS OF PRESIDENT SPEAKS AT INDIANAPOLIS

BLOOD OF THE MEXICANS IS THEIR OWN TO SPILL, SAYS WILSON.

WORK OUT OWN SALVATION

President Intimates That He is Head of Democratic Party and Almost Announces For 1916.

Indianapolis, Ind.—President Wilson the presidency again in 1916. The nudience of more than 4,600 people rose to their feet and cheered until the President called for quiet.

The President had been discussing

the Mexican question. Referring to his belief that he knew the tempera-ment and principles of the American ment and principles of the American people, he added that he would not be fit to stay where he was if he did

"There may come a time;" he said,
"there may come a time;" he said,
"when American people will have to
fudge whether I know what I am
talking about or not."

There was a slight pause and then the construction which had been put on his words, the President held up his hand for silence and said:

"I did not mean to stir up anything.
That was merely preparatory to saying that for at least two more years I am free to think I know the American people." can people. Previously the President had at-

Previously the President had at-tacked the Republican party, defended the record of his Administration on the Mexican policy, the tariff and cur-rency and declared that a careful ex-amination of the recurns from the elections last November showed that if it had been a Presidential year a Democrat would have had a majority of about 80 in the electoral college

Mr. Wilson gravely spoke warning to Democrats not to break up the solidarity of the party. He declared those who did would gain an unenviable position for the "If a man won't play on a team he must get off the team," he said and later spoke of himself as the "captain

of the Democratic team for the pres

they take in determining it." Speak-ing slowly and carefully, he declared that "so far as my influence goes, while I am President, no body shall interfere with the interfere with them."
"Have not European Nations taken
as long as they wanted, and spilled as much blood as they pleased to settle their own affairs," he continued, "and shall we deny the same right to Mex

ico? No, I say." BRITAINS SATISFIED WITH RATE

House of Lords Adjourns After Hearing Government Statements.
London.—After a two days' session
in which Parliament heard speeches
from Lord Kitchener, Viscount Haldane, Lord High Chancellor; the Marquis of Crewe, Government leader in the House, and Baron Lucas, on behalf of the Government on the progress of the war and Great Britain's preparations to carry it on the House of Lords adjourned until February 2.

when Parliament will reassemble.

The opposition failed to learn from the Government the growth of the Army or the operations of the Navy, generally speaking, the Government expressed satisfaction at the rate at which recruiting was proceeding and unt Haldane declared the sity for compulsory service had not

Washington.—Governor-elect Frank B. Willis of Ohio made his farewell speech in the House, resigned from Congress and left for Columbus, when he was inaugurated. He gave a part-ing against what he called a tendency to believe that legislation must be guided by a political dictator.

Washington. — Virginia Senators notified Secretary Daniels that they would insist upon execution of the law would insist upon execution of the law requiring the assembling of the inter-national fleet in Hampton Roads next month preparatory to the cruise through the Panama Canal to the Pa-cific Coast., Naval officers have been considering the feasibility of supply ing the threatened defictency in Euro pean representation in the interna-tional fleet by making special efforts for the participation of Latin-American

Favors Chamberlain Bill

Washington.-Unqualified endorse ment of the Chamberlain bill to increase the strength of the coast artillery corps was given by Secretary Garrison in a report asked for by the

tillery corps was given by Secretary Garrison in a report asked for by the Senate Military Committee.

The measure would add to the corps 12 colonels, 12 lleutenant colonels, 40 majors, 175 captains, 187 first lieuten-ants, 187 second lieutenants, a corres-ponding quota of non-commissioned officers and 7,672 privates, making the total authorized limit of 30,309

Three Cumberland county pris Three Cumperiana county prisons of the house breaking. George Hart, charged with burgiary, and Walter Riddle, accused larcency, affected a successful jaid delivery from the county jail at Fay

John C. Drewery has been elected president of the Capital Club at Raeigh.

wind and rain storm a few days Kinston is discussing the city ager form of government.

WILL S. LONG, JR.

MON- BUILDING

JOHN H. VERNON

Leave Messages at Alamance Pharmacy 'Phone 97 Residence 'Phone about Hargreave."
"He hasn't given it up; but he wants
to cover it on his own, turn the yarn
over when he's got it, no false alarms."
"Ah! So that's the game?" Appointment.

per needs. When the time comes the story turns up, if there is one. Here he is now. Looks like an actor in the fourth act of a drama. Good-looking

chap, though."

Norton came in through the outer gates. He was in evening clothes, top hat. A dead cigarette dangled between his lips.
"How much do you want?" asked the

night city editor.
"Column and a half."

It was one o'clock when Norton turhed in his last sheet of copy and started for home. Just outside the entrance to the building a man with a slouch hat drawn down over his eyes

ette disappeared around the corner, and the lights in the apartment were "Yes." Norton stepped back sus-defously.

The other chuckled, raised and low-

"Good Lord!" murmured the re know that much."

And even at that moment the watch-"Will you take a ride with me in a

hind the corner.

"Suspicious!" he murmured, tossing
the cigarette into the gutter. They're
watching me for a change. I'll drop
out. I know what I know. It's a great. What took place in that taxicab was out. I know what I know. It's a great-world. It's fine to be alive and kicking on top of it." He went on without haste and took the subway train for, prised the elevator boy by going out, Norton proceeded downtown to the downtown.
"Is there any way I could get near him?" asked Braine. national bank, where he deposited teller had some difficulty in count "Tomorrow night you wight leave y the janitor's entrance. I'll keep he lights on till you're outside. Then ing them. They stuck together and re-

Florence was delighted at the idea of a coaching party. Often during her schoolgirl days she had seen the fash, ionable coaches go careening along the road, with the sharp, clear note of the bugle rising about the thunder of hoofs

heard "Florence" and "the old drawing room;" and that was enough He scurried about for Jones.

this room and that you will not be missed until it is too late.

The sound of voices stopped ab-

barred windows. To Florence it ap-

"How did you get here?" she asked

and did not have to work for a liv ing. Oddly enough, she was not

"Do you think so?" with a strange "Nothing just now. The idea is to get out of here just as quickly as we can. See this painting?" He touched a spot in the wall and the painting

we make our escape to the side laws "Horses!" whispered Jones. "There are several saddle horses, already saddled. How about these people, the

owners?"
"Oh, they are beyond reproach, They
have doubtless been imposed upon.
But let us get aboard first. There will
be time to talk later. I'll have to do a slight detour brings us back into the

ee horses it was an effort not to

from making a garden of the home ceived special mention for heroising grounds, the planting around the house itself should receive the first at Before presenting the medals, Sec. tention. A careful selection of vines retary Daniels declared that the out-and shrubs will make an ordinary standing naval event of the past year house attractive, and a beautiful one was the courage, sacrifice and self-

veranda may display. Large shrubs the distinction and glory of death on banked against a house that stands the field of battle. America then, too high above the ground will give mourning her loss, was like Niobi it the effect of fitting more closely 'all tears.'

only for their beauty, but for the pri-vacy they will give. Virginia creeper, a variety of climbing roses,, and The short circulates of a high por