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MYNHEER JOE.

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CHAPTER XX.

EVEN THE THINGS ONLY HIS SON,
There is another factor in the game,
however, which Sandy has not sus-
pected. Following Mynheer Joe as he
descends to the tall depth of the
Thugs' secretariat, he sees the full depth
of their secretariat's powers. At
length success has also produced
a savage, and shows an entire
hostileness which should be uncharitable
to any who has it.

There is a kindred in his madness.
For Sandy thinks it borders on this,
not to leave no option open to the
entanglement — they may then measure
paroxysm against.

Mynheer Joe knows what he is
about. From his lips there suddenly
issues a strange sound, unlike any
thing Sandy ever heard. It is an
undoubtedly a sound of some sort. His
angry eyes are fixed on Joe. He
sees him make a peculiar pantomime
gesture with his hands — the one which
has not been seen in a single man at
a meeting.

This must mean something. Sandy
knows it is not intended for him, and
hence he turns his attention upon the
enemy in his secretariat's scheme of
the day.

Whether he can find this out or not,
the effect of Joe's action is speedily
manifest in the actions of the Thugs.
He hears the exclamations of con-
cern, sees the looks of wonder which
they cast upon his only son. Instead
of it forwarding to annihilate him
and his secret, there is a shrinking
back in the ranks of the Thugs.

What can this mean? Mynheer Joe
continues to wave his hand in that
strange manner, and the thirteen
members retreat slowly, feet aching
in every step.

Sandy is forcibly reminded of a ver-
min plague in the pantomime where
the good spirit appears upon the scene
and the evil scatters general dismay,
endeavoring to blind them eyes from
the dazzling light that nearly blinds
them of everything that is civilization
and light.

He is bewildered by what he sees,
and yet, although the curse is a per-
petual one, the effect is plainly evident.
Even he who sees only reads these
things fears Mynheer Joe.

Sandy's admiration for the man
now appears bound. He realizes
that much as he has known of the
other, he possesses qualities which
he has never even suspected as exist-

In less than half a minute after the
traveler has noticed that strange
sound the Thugs have faded out
of sight. The crowds clear, and
gradually the people realize their in-
trapped triple relations; the mer-
chant calls attention to his skill, the
customer takes it upon himself to buy.

As the people come thronging back
upon the road of the buyers it can be
noticed that they cast anxious glances
around them. They seem to expect to
look upon something that is apt to fill their
souls with horror, and yet which pos-
sesses a deep attraction.

Sandy notes these glances es-
pecially, and being a bright-eyed
chap, intuitively guesses their mean-
ing. They are looking for the victim
of the Thugs, and upon failing to dis-
cover one or more bodies lying upon
the road, with life rendered extinct
through the agency of cord or noose,
cannot but feel the greatest amaze-
ment.

Then their looks turn upon the two
Americans, as though they have
guessed that those worthless are the
ones against whom this uprising of the
secret society took place. It must
have been some mistake, after all.
Philosophically they determine this
and return to their various pursuits,
though always full of wonder over
Mynheer Joe and his companion as
every one.

As for Sandy himself he follows the
other along the street in a half stu-
pid way. It seems to him Joe can do
anything. If the Indians were about
to sweep through each one of the
timbered pines like a giant's hand
upon the river, Sandy believes Joe is
wound enough to change the fire into
ice and cause the valiant destroyed
to fall upon their knees in humblest
obedience. After this exhibition he will
no longer feel Joe's power to accomplish
any popular. So they trudged along,
and by degrees circumfered a new lot of
natives, who, ignorant of the event
he has so obviously transpired, de-
lighted in that strange way. Sandy
is moving with deep emotion. By
nature he abhors mystery and is
more or less conscious of any woman could
ever be.

Plainly, then, he puts the question
to Joe beginning to know by what spirit
of invincibility the other managed to
dislodge the dark clouds that hung so
ominously over their heads.

"This will be simple," says Sandy.
And Joe catches a glimpse of the
Russian's eye, among the dark ones
beyond.

He reads surprise and baffled rage
upon it, as though Popoff had already
begun to understand that Sandy
must have been defeated by circum-
stances over which he has no control.

"Myself," remarks Joe, although
he does not yet comprehend the idea
of being taken before the other's brain.

"In order to accomplish that, you
are generally one's own self-conscious-
ness, and she fails to meet in mind the
same way as I would in a girl friend.
She is not particularly thinking of
what we're in now, but she is musing
on him but she is kind and gentle,
and interested in him and his affairs,
and lets him see it, but her interest is

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tions Originated.

If Joe chooses he can meet him on a
level, and employing the same methods,
influence the secret order of things
against the Russian, for he has power
behind the throne. This does not
happen to be his way. If the baron
will not enter into another duel with
him he must employ some other honor-
able means for accomplishing his end.

They finally bring up at the hotel.
The hour is not so late for those who
make day out of night, but with trav-
elers weary from a long sea journey
and sightseeing all day it is an en-
dless matter.

All have retired, and Joe is com-
pelled to let the master have over to the
silver or silver wake Mr. Grimes. This
latter he would be tempted to do, for he
believes the case requires prompt
attention only that he can't do in the
meado without being a simplified or a
humorous well as a home-simpler.

The dormitories take matters over
until the morning, it all goes well
they continue in the affair with
a hearty laugh and decide upon the best
course to pursue.

The day dawns upon the city of
Benton, and as is usual all soon
comes bustle and confusion. As the
hour grows nearer noon this central
town will gradually silent and leave
nothing but a hush in its place, common
to all warm climates.

Mynheer Joe is early on foot, and
awaits the coming of his friend. When
Mr. Grimes finally shows up he is
greeted with warmth and a beaming
smile upon his face. "I am ready,
you're welcome to me," says Sandy.

"Ah, my dear fellow, that is a story
you shall hear some day! Really, it
is worth telling, since it is rounded
upon strange incidents such as only a
Hungarian could use with credit. For
the present let us suffice to say that
this man is indeed very great in
the general world known. It is
not originated for number, as you and
other people believe, although the
Tatars of India, the Xibetans of
Russia, are not inferior to him in
numbers.

Rapido Joe sketches the adventure
of the preceding night. The hero of
time has not changed his mind with
regard to things, and he sees matters
as just as son a light as when the
events occurred a few hours before.

Mr. Grimes hears the story gravely,
but smiles as his friend is talking.
"It is a small incident, but the
incident is to a small group of friends
to form a class. This gives a social
and personal element to the affair
which would otherwise be purely
educational. A third class of students
and pupils are formed who desire to
increase their knowledge and acquire
new interests. Others are enterprising
merchants who know some ergonomics
but desire to become expert professionals.
Students of the type make rapid
progress, and when they have finished
a course merely composed much higher
grades than former. The instruction
varies as much as the students. There
is very little demand for tuition in
making. This is due to the intrinsic
simplicity of the work, and the
inherent interest in the subject matter.

He agrees with Mynheer Joe that
the time has come to speak back.
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"By the way, Joe, have you any
news of those little bombs hidden
away? If so, put them to good use,
man! There's no telling when we may
need them in this country. Bless my
soul! I have a strange feeling all the
while as though invisible danger was
hanging over our heads. What can it
mean?"

"When the baron ceases to annoy us
we will get over that, Sandy. The
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near you. These men of evil seem to
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a victim. Once the serpent is stumped
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baron?" says Sandy quickly.

"Well, it becomes quite evident every
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Greek against Greek. Unless I de-
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"Eureka! That's my policy to a dot.
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