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the walls of Fort Frayers,

THE ASHEVILLE DAILY CITIZEN.

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FORT FRAYNE.

CHAPTER XVI Continued.

it vas et ugn thus he snould have was worse v hen he took the first opportunity to exclain matters to Jack. His way of doing it was somewhat as follows, and they were dressing for the ceremony, and Jack, gergeous in his full dress uniform as a lieutenant of the seventh, was sick at heart ever the cold, constrained greeting accorned him by Ellis.

"Why, of course, old fellow, you passion, fielen bent and laid her soft didn't impose silence on me, and I s'pose I let out about your engagement '---

'My what?" says poor Jack aghast. "Your engagement. You said, ever to attend Kitty's wedding, you couldn't get away until yours was fulfilled-on the 10th, wasn't it?"

"Certainly, our annual inspection. No man in the Seventh would miss that for love or money."

"But, Jack, don't you know? I'm sure you told me a lady was in the case. You told me her name, and-indeed, you did-that Effic and you were to be Ind"-

"You transcendental idiot! I told you F and I-Company F and Company Iwere tied for place and neither dared lose a point.

And then, instead of smashing Wayne, as was his first thought, Jack fled down stairs in search of Ellis and found her and told her Wayne's story and then his own, breathlessly, eagerly, imploringly, and there were blushes and tears and soft laughter and soft, happy murmurs, and-and how horribly these big epaulets get in the way and service medals and soutache braid scratch at such times! And at last did Jack uplift his voice again to say, "Ellis, I'm in heaven," and then did she uplift a blushing, tear stained, kiss rumpled face to archly inquire, "A Seventh heaven, Jack?" and then did old Fenton come blustering in to take a veteran's share in the engagement. It was known all over the house before the weiding party started.

Then came the next scene in Mad Authony's play. Amory and the chaplam declare to this day that when the party was duly marshaled at the altar the major clicked his heels together and raised his hand in salute and began, "Sir, the parade is"- when Ormsey



beat rave the he to friendship. I loved to the upper regions, and, while dozens. you, I have you, and so have come to say a long geoder. I've hinde my fight I have been a solder: I will not be a I have been a solder: I will not be a

seemed involuntarily stretching them | tered almost out of her throat. of which Lucretia's maiden heart flutforth. Then, leaning upon the table for

"And now what have you unearthed, support, one hand found the glove that acled to explain matters to Kitty. It he had removed and laid there. He had "A ring, by all that's gorgeous-a ring, withdrawn a pace and lifted has head as though the blighted eyes were striv- 'P. W. to L. F., 1874.' Who's P. W. and a beauty, and an inscription on it. ing to peer from under their shade for one look at the face they had gazed up-Who's-but a glance at his sister's transfigured face as she tottered there at his on in such passionate farev. Il so many side warned the oid warrior to desist. months before. The strains of the Wayne was panting with excitement. "Traumerei" ware still thrilling soft-"I know," he cried. "Of course i ly through the open casements, and, wasn't my class ring. It was this, overcome with emotion, tenderness and got it for"- And here he turned and drew her to his arm, and the others lips in fervent pressure on the subscients considerately moved away as at last

that ring was fitted to the finger that Then the recur rang with a sudden, had been waiting for it 20 long years. startling, joyous cry. The shade went Five minutes more, and with Rorke whizzing into space, and the next inleading off in the cheers, with music stant Leale had spring to her and seized and sunshine, mirth and gladness, smiles

and tears and prayers and blessings, the "Helen, darling - not that! Den't young couple were whirled away to me waste those kisses!" And she sank senstation, bound for the bliss of the honeymoon

bing in his arms just as-grand, joyeas, triumphant-the strains of the wedding But what made that wedding day so march burst forth, re-echoing among remarkable was that it seemed to lead to so many more. There came a letter from Martin to Jack Ormsby only the

Rorke was the first man to come tear ing in to aunounce the return of the wedding party and the guests, but Fenton was close on his heels "on hospita ble cares inten*" and exploding over Wayne's performances. There was me time for a formal reception. "Proceed ings" had been delayed well nigh an hour as it was and the east bound train was reported unaccountably on time, Bride and bridegroom, bridesmaids, ush-

ers, Lachelors and Lenedicts, maids and dovecot is every whit as hospitable as matrons-Fort Frayne seemed surging Amory's. But of course Will and Mrs. Will haven't outlived their salad days, tumultuously up the colonel's step, surrounding and bedeviling poor Wayne to and their tills and make ups are too funny for anything. Will is just as true the verge of distraction. He laid the blame on his spring overcoat, a veneraa soldier as ever, but we always know ble garment of the fashion of 20 years when the wind's in the east at the agone, but that he had so seldom worn cot by his becoming even more aggresas to cause it to seem to him ever new sively, austerely, self denyingly military. Just now all is bliss, for dear and available, and for this garment he darted into the adjoining quarters while Lady Farrar, 'Queen Mether,' as we the laughing guests came tripping up learned to call her from your sweet the steps in the wake of the bride, who, with-my solutations for her badyshiptotally ignoring Helen and Leale now, is, as you have, in the third week of

who were gazing into each other's eyes her first visit to 'the children,' and this, in the deep bow window, rushed at her Jack, old hey, brings he to a predicuncle with characteristic explosive tion. In our easier days we used to say abuse extras freed extras," and I in thanking

"I'll never be married at Fort Frayne what that vociency day of Will's is reagain as long as I live! What on earth sponsible for thirt there's you and did Major"- But she could go no fur-Miss Lillis-t of 12 ss [cm] There'

ther, for the shout of laughter that Leale and Mrs. Royle Varrat-Ged regreeted her sally and the exchamations tent There's Old Maritemp hand which resulted from the discovery of Mashed methy Mora and Miss Lawretia Leale and Helen silenced her complete--Goal in fp least 150, no year brow, we ly. And then the bride was rushed away belie: LEY off or build has the to doff her finery and reappear in travand of the group number it last just tit inter eling garb, and then Will was hustled the happest in a model Fort Frayne." to his quarters to change his full dress THE END uniform to the conventional garb of civl life, just as Wayne came in, dazed, Racket Store News, half demented, everecat in one hand and a package in the other that he now dreamily held forth to Ornesby, who took it, as wonderingly opened and began slowly counting over a number of greenbacks, cole contents of the wrap-



"Helen, durition not that? Don't wash Hiris hisses

cought the hand and brought it down. But when it came to the ring there was consternation. To the horror of the greeom, the despair of the bride, but to the marked and trenailous enotion of Aunt Lucretia, the circlet produced for the occasion by the dazed best man way an old fashioned but beautiful cluster of flashing gems. Only by a miracle did it happen that the other ring was in his possession. How the nexture or curred there was no time to tell, until lab r, when all were gathered, for there were two whose fortunes we have followed through these long, long chapters who were absent from the ceremony, who, in fact, were having one of their even, and to the \$ two, while the band without is softly playing in front of the chapel, and in eager hundreds the mer are gathered to cheer the bride and groom on their reappearance, let us turn

and listen. "No, dear Mrs. Farrar," were Helen Daunton's words as the enger guests what at a loss to understand your sudwere pouring forth to the wedding. "They are bringing him here, even now, so that he may welcome Will and Kitty on their return from the wedding he cannot see

And no sooner was the party tairly at the chapel than there drove to the colonel's door the old colonel, and two soldiers assisted to alight and led to the deerway the soldierly form of Captain Leale, his eyes still covered by the deep green shade. It was Helen Dannton's hand that guided him into the lately crowded parlor, and he knew the touch and thrilled with the joy of it.

"Helen" he eried. "They told me all were gone. What a blessed welcome! Major Pereival Wayne! I've been so long in exile! With your voice the old home focing I've been groping for comes to me through the dark.

"Then it is still dark with you?" she faltered.

There was a moment's pause. The band had just ceased the joyous march with which it had "trooped" the wedding party into the chapel, and then, as though in accompaniment to the cerecrowding about the bride, there stood mony just Leginning and to the sweet romatice already throbbing here, the exquisite strains of the "Traumerei" softly thrilled upon the fragrant air. "Heint" he spoke, his deep voice trenchlug, as did the hand that still ching to hers. "You know that for me the lights went out before ever that pewder flash crossed my eyes," She strove, hardly knowing why, to release ber hand. "No, dear," he went on gen- like the shin of a sausage. A suiden

tly, "Don't be afraid I have come back move of one arm catried away the to vex you with my sorrows; but listen, breast button. they will all be here in in a moment. 1

went away hoping to teach my heart a off than Peggotty. Every jump's a butfriendship for you that should give me ton." And then Kitty caught sight of the right to come again and serve you him, and then there came a scene. as your friend. When I found that it was almost sure that I should walk in sn't the man I married. I won't stir a darkness all my life, I said, 'Now at step with him in these things." least I can accept the blossing of her friendship, even as she offered it to me.' Will in despair. A man maimed and set apart from his fellows can learn thankfulness for a things?" she fairly screamed in almost great good, though it is not his heart's hysterical laughter. "I married a soldesire." And here her graceful head dier. Your uniferm, sir, your best was bowed, and silently her tears came blouse and tronsers and forage cap, and gushing forth. "But time has taught don't you dare wear cits till I tell you." me the faisity of that," he went on, firmly now. "You shall never misunder- couldn't wear those now incasing Lim, stand me. Even in the dark my pulse the groom a third time hastened away

ocket. They were all crowding around him now, but at sight of this missive Ellis made a spring and captured it, on ly just in time, and was seized in turn by Ormsby, who pleaded for possession of what was plainly addressed to him, and then came renewed uproar, for

per, but he dropped them as of little consequence when the bewildered major

produced a moment later another-

little note from the depths of an inner

Will reappeared in uniform tronsers and unfastened blouse and a towering rage. "Of all things that could have hapwhen to a man, think of this!" he cried. (P) 'Major Wayne, didn't you premise me from the field to send that dispatch to Hattield the moment you got to the THING * I did, and 1 pledge my selemn word

that I kept it. I sent it the very first post I struck.

"You did, for a fact, you meenstruck -oh, but just listen, all of you! Instead of my traveling suit here's what I find-a letter from Hattield, forwarded from Fort Washakle. "Dear Str: In ; ordance with your telegraphic instrutions, we have this day forwarded you a cutaway tweed traveling suit by Is! American express and trust the can is," etc., "also statement of"-um, never

mind that-'We are'-now, mark this, all of you, good peeple-'we are some Few people know how den change of address, but are compelled to act on your telegram, a copy of which is inclosed. ""Fort Washakhe, May 25.

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Washakie and There and the train comfewer people come anywhere "But, Willy, dear," said his mother near knowing how good it

scothingly, "surely you can wear for just a day or two last year's suit." makes a fellow fell when his

"That? Now? Why, heavens ablaze Rorke couldn't squeeze me into it with | eu-tomers show their apprea sheehorn. I'll have to travel in my

pyjamas. Oh, couldn't I murder you, ciation of his efforts.

Our recent purchases are Poor Wayne's cup was indeed full to verflowing. Martin and some of the coming in radially. We will

oungsters lugged Will off to squeeze iim into last year's garments, made on radet measure, and then down came go into detail next week and

want

Kitty, the bonniest of brides, in the tell you how near we are like daintiest and mest coquettish of costunnes, and while morke and his sater-

yeu in our ideas of what you lites were passing the champagne, and everybody-no, almost everybody-was

B R it ordained by the Board of Aldermen by the city of Asheyi le (Sec.) that all own-creand proprieters and pers ns in charge of any hotel corridors, hotel i flores public halls, hanks in the city of Ash ville, and the cus-todians at dkeepers of all public buildings, pub-tion first and court house in said city. he and being an encoded of the set of all public buildings, pub-lic offices and court house in said city, be, and they are hereby required to furnish said hotel corriders, hatel offices, public halls backs, pub-lic buildings, public offices and court house with cuspidors sufficient in number and so lo with cuspidors sufficient in number and so lo "It's no use," he cried. "I'm worse ted as to be conviently used by persons

'What's that?'' she exclaimed. "That

"But I haven't any other," pleaded

"Who wants you to wear such (sec. 3.) That it shall be unlawful for any person or persons to wilfully expectorate or spit upon the floor or steps or other walkway or approach of any hotel corridor, hotel office, public hall, bank, tublic building, public office, court house or upon any sidewalk in the city of Asheville, and any person violeting this ordi-nance shall upon conviction be fined one dollar. D. D. SUTTLE, 10.6diw Die Mark State Stat And, as it was manifest that he 10-6d1w

poor Wayne still diving into these long forgotten placer mines of his pockets and fetching up bills and billits and J. M. Stoner, Mgr. olds and ends, while Lucretia tremulensly and Fenten, Farwell and Amery delightenly watched him, and then name a new excitement. Enter Will, squeezed at last into the light gray BRit ordained by the Board of Aldermen o tweeds he had so complacently donned a year before and that now fitted him