CHAPTER XII.—Continued.

Two been past it a hundred times. Fve struck a pick all around there and never found ore," said blake reflectively, "but that proves socking. A thousand people walked over the Little Calsurran before I found the gill. Wall, John." he concluded, relapsing to the familiar Yankse drawl, "don't that best time. as Ducle Tody Haynes "It certainly is remarkable," said John Burt, folding the map. "How did you happen to select this particular spot, Jins." "Just happened to, that's all," was the laconic reply. I laid out claims all along here, but this one seemed the most likely."

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Blake with much vigor. It you use ore, the claim is yours, John, and don't you forget it!"
"Suppose we go partners in the Sailor mins," suggested John. "I have a tidy sum of money, and I'll offset that and the map against your claim and experience. What do you say, Jim?"

speat an hour or more figuring in an silv.

After breakfast they set about locating the sailor's vein. In less than as hour lim likes such his pick instance and the pick in the handed likes a nugget which weighted fully ten pounds, and a logitance—to say nothing of the weight —aboved it to be almost solid gold. I have to mins. So we will call that —aboved it to be almost solid gold. I have to mins. So we will call that bigh in the air, retrievely the proposition, and have it is. There has the high in the air, retrievely the control of the c

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Bidding Blake adien for a week of more, Burt proceeded to San Francisco.

He engaged rooms in the Paince holder of the control of the control of the control of the control of the city. He decided to present his case to David Parker. He wrote the famous expert a brief letter, and was duly accorded an interview.

During the brief preliminary conversation, John Burt studied David Parker and decided to trust him. Then he related the story of the discovery of the Saltor miss.

Hills—that those hills—contained gold, and David Parker hesitatingly. "Why do you come to me Mr. Burton" he asked. "I am not an—an investor," replied John Burt. You are an expert—in metals and should be in expitalists. You know them; I den't."

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The should be a should be an expert in metals and should be incapitalists. However, you may succeed with him—Mr. Burton. If you and—Mr. Hawkins cannot come to terms, I—I might refer you to others. Good day; good day, sir—and good luck!"

As David Parker predicted, John

GLUSHOUSE FOR CLEAR LAKE

Early Closing at Springfield.
The merchants at Springfield agreed to close their places of business at noon on Wedgesdays during July and August. Some of the merchants suffer a severe loss thereby. The clerks are delighted and are persistently opposing any movement to rescind the action of the Merchant's association.

Love District Assessment.
Judge Hillshotter has entered an order in the county court, Edwardsville, authoriting the commissioners of the Chouteau, Nameoki and Venice drainage and leves district to collect the full amount of annual benefits failing due September J. 1906. upon

falling due September 1, 1904, upolands within said district.

hopefully. "Two hundred and fifty thousand dollars is a lot of money. I would take it in a minute if I could get it."

They discussed the matter for hours, but Blake would not recede from his position. Dangling before his eyes was a purse containing two he obsained without further, work or worry. It meant pleasure, affiscence, ease, liberty—it was enough. Not so with John Burt. When the rock crumbled beneath the first blow of his pick and the ten pound nugret gleaned in the shale, he recalled the parting words of Peter Burt quoting the language of isslah: "I will give thee the treasures of darkness and the hidden riches of secret places."

This work is the state of the present things which could be accomplished with a quarter of a million dollars. "I'll think it over for two or three days, and then we'll take the question up and decident."

Blake curbed his impatience and worked and waited. He knew John Burt we'll enough not to mention the Cone evening, after supper, John spent an hour or, more figuring in an old note-book.

"I suppose you are still determined to sell your share in these mines.

Ideol day; good day, sir—and good lack!

As David Parker predicted, John Burt had little trouble in securing as interriew with chain little received the securing as interriew with chain little.

He wrote the naine 'John Burtom' on a card and gave it to an attendant. Two burly men stood in the doorway, passing to make some parting remark, which was followed by roars of merriment. The attendant brushed part them as they closed the door.

"Tell him to come lat," was the order given in a tube. The security of the down of the received by the security of the security of the security of the security in a student of the security in a student of the security in a student of the security in the security and in adulation of material things was singularly defective. This may have been due to his country training. It sever occurred to John Burt has handled stand in awe of the Hawkins millions. He was impressed by the leonine head and granting proportions of the templates for the first time some stupendous work of nature. He returned the great man's gars, before which most strangers qualled and faltered, with an answering look which calmy asserted an equality, yielding deference only to a seniority of years.

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"He handed the chart to Mr. Hawkins." The series would be a sample of ore and the tenpond numer in the sound of the surroundings." "No parter and I have extracted forty thou

correctly.

"My friend," he said, "that is wrone."

"In machinist, who did not recognished the reliable way magnet, replied; "Suppose it is; what business is it of yours?"

"I am Ar-A. Robinson." the railroad manager answered sternly.

"I beg a thousand pardoon," he said. "I hope my impertinence will not cost me my job. I have a wife and five children, and to them. I am sorry I said it, but you see we have so many visitors here who give us advice about our work that we can't tell one damn food from another."

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Desperate Remedy.

Floods in Bond County.
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thousands of dollars damage to crops
in the lowlands. The farmers along
Shoal creek are the heaviest losers. Desperate Remedy.
Singleton—I'm getting awfully gray, loctor. Is there no remedy for it?
Dr. Gruff—Yes. Get married.

and harvest will be general during the seauling week, with a promising outlook.

Rye is in shock. Barley is being
harvested with a promising yield. The
harvesting and threshing of wheat
have been seriously hindered by wet
weather and a considerable quantity
has been damaged in shock.

Having has propressed as weather
weald permit: a large quantity has
been spoiled or damaged.

Meager reports indicate a promising
condition of buckwheat.

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are yielding well and potatoes will
give an averaging crop.

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Qun Club in Sangamen Vailey.
Messars. Henry Taylor and U. P.
Hoot, representing the Sangamen Gun
club of Chicago, have been in Case
county arranging for the erection of a
palatial clubhouse on the banks of
Clear lake, in Sangamen vailey. This
place has long been locally famous as
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ROCK ISLAND'S BIG CAR SHOPS

Road Will Build its Engines and Rolling Stock at Moline.

The Rock Island Railroad has just completed the largest regair, car and engine shops at Moline in the United Blates. The plant covers sixteen as accret of buildings, large and small. It is larger than any of the Pennsylvania railroad company's shops at Altona, Pa.; and covers two or three city blocks. Five thousand men will be employed there when the plant is fully completed, and the company will then set up its own locomotives and build many of its own cars. The Tri-Cities, as Moline and Rock Island. International control of the company will the proving rapidly, have become the interruban railway centers of western Illinois and eastern lowa, and in 1910 expect to have increased their aggregate population from nearly 100,000 to 150,000, the largest community between St. Louis and Minneapolis in one direction and Omaha and Chicago in the other.

Township School Funds.

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County Superintendent J. E. Whitchurch has received from the state treasure \$4,518.32 of school funds, which he has apportioned to the several township in Marion county as follows: Alms. \$256.82; Carrigan. \$1190.75; Certalla, \$1,18.93.07; Foster, \$210; Haines, \$276.07; luks, \$256.13; Rimmundy, \$385.82; Meacham, \$206.07; Odin, \$658.83; Omega, \$225.94; Romine, \$333.50; Salem, \$235.63; Stevenson, \$142.94; Tonti., \$164.94.

Central Labor Council.

The Jacksonville trades and labor assembly has elected officers as follows: President, George Chambers; over-president, W. F. Thompson; treasurer, John Sloan; danacial secretary, Henry Klote; corresponding secretary, A. L. Wood; trustee, William H. Still.

Conductor is Killed.

While coupling cars at Gardner,
Conductor J. W. Burnham of the
Chicago & Alton freight service was
killed, being caught between the
bumpers. His bome was in Joliet.

Library Board Elects.
At a meeting of the board of directors of the Quiney public library Charles H. Bull was elected president, Dr. J. B. Shawgo vice president and Louisa M. Robbins secretary.

Farmer Kills Himself.
Geprege Neubarth, a wealthy farmer near Harrisonville, committed suicide by cutting an artery on his left hand. It is thought the deed was owing to incurable illness.

Farmer is Shocked.

John Weish a farmer of the Mouroe neighborhood, was severely shocked by a bolt of lightning during an electrical storm. A team of horses he was driving was killed.

Springfield Postal Receipts.

The Springfield postoffice receipts for the fiscal year ending June 20, 1904, show an increase over the previous year of \$9,990, this being a 10 per cent increase.

To Improve Mount Vernon.

The Mount Vernon city council ordered that four more streets be
paved with brick. An order was also
made for more sidewalks on screnteen streets.

Mining Engineer is Bruised, N. J. Tweed, assistant to Civil En-gineer Greenidge, of the Madison coal company at Edwardsville, was caught at mine No. 4, Olen Carbon, under a heavy fall of clod, escaping with bad bruises.

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Gives Organ to Church.

Mrs. M. P. Murphy of Decatur will give a been for the new Cen-tral Church of Christ, which is now in the course of construction. The or-gan will be a memorial for .M. P. Murphy.

Relireade Are Offering Lew Rates to Boston Encampment.

A ware over rates to the Grand Array encampment in Beston sext month among the rallreade operating month among the rallreade operating sextended by the sextended of the sextended from Chicago agreed to reduced rates for this gathering last visite, the rate named was 1 cent a mile in each direction, or 20.25 via all roads. Recently one or Cwo of the differential lines have been gooding a rate of \$11.75. which is the differential between the fares of the substance of \$11.75. which is the differential between the fares of the differential fares of the fare of the sex of the control of the sex of the control of the sex of the control of the

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Washington Sunday School.

The executive committee of the Washington County Sabbath School association met in Nashville, R. G. Ardrey presiding, and Miss Margaret Similar to the secretary's chair. The committee prepared an claborate program for the clation, which will be held in the Wethodst Episcopal church at Okasville who will have numbers are Rev. S. P. Groves. pastor of the M. E. Church; Rev. I. W. Longares, Mars. H. J. Schnidt and Miss Hettle Anderson. The committing details of the description of th

of the towaship organizations.

Bankruptcy Petitions.

Five petitions in bankruptcy have been filed in the office of the clerk of the United States district court at Springfield. They are as follows: 7.

O. Fry, farmer of Christman, Edgar county: liabilities, 32,341.35; assets, 3284. G. W. Wasson, Christman, is-borer: liabilities, 32,361.35; assets, 2115. Joseph Taylor Hall, surgeon. Houser, Champaign county: liabilities, 124,516; assets, 155. Walter Brush, East St. Louis, engineer; liabilities, 224,56; assets, 355. Walter Casatevens. Neoga, Cumberland county: liabilities, 1331.91; assets, 44,047.58.

Postpone Church Celebration.

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July 17 was the fiftieth anniversary
of the founding of the German Evraguical church in Nashville, but the
special church in Nashville, but the
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September 18; after the harrest, many
of the members of the church being
farmers. At the business session of
the congregation it was decided to
build an addition to the parsonage. In
commemoration of the anniversary
the Ladies' Ald society of the church
eatirely refurnished the edifice with
new matting.

Locusts at North Alton
Locusts in large numbers have
made their appearance in the vicinity
of North Alton and Alton. Farmers
and others who keep tab on such
things say that the first frost of the
season always follows within six
weeks after the appearance of the
first locust in the summer or fall.

Temperance Medale.

Mrs. John V. Roe, superintendent of medal contests for the W. C. T. U. county organization, is preparing a silver, a gold and a grand gold medal contests, the last to be given at the W. C. T. U. county convention in Edwardsville in September.

Boller Makers Organize. A union of boller makers has been organized in Jacksonville with sixteen charter members. William Cadigan is president; James Killiam, vice-president; J. P. Hennessy, secretary; Frank McKinney, corresponding secretary, and M. J. Kennedy, inspector.

Farm Laborer Drowns.

John Denbo, a harvest hand, was drowned in Silver creek, near Mascoutah. His home was at Knglish, Ind., where he leaves a wife and five

Gets Damages After Many Years.
David Thompson of Alton, whose
arm was cut off several years ago
while he was in the employ of the
illinois Terminal railroad, received
\$4.00 in payment of a judgment which
was sustained in the supreme court.

Veteran Trainman is Dead.

A. A. Corneau, who had been an employe of the Wabash railroad since 1853, died at the Wabash hospital in Decatur. He started as a train boy and had served as yardmaster, conductor and passenger brakemas.



"Monte Cristo was a beggar compared with Barton & Bilake! Kurrah for the Satior mine and man down! Hurrah!"

CHAPTER XIII.

The Quest for Gold.

The two young giants performed wonders in the three weeks which followed their discovery or gold. Glowing with health and strength, and is spired by an into a side of the mountains with their picks and drills. Percent muggets were found, but these were of small value compared with the broad stratum of ore which opened out from the spot selected by John Burt. The claim chosen by Bilake soon exhausted littelf, and he turned is attention to the third, expression of the spot selected by John Burt. The claim chosen by Bilake soon exhausted littelf, and he turned is attention to the third, expression as polesd on a shelving ledge and vistorest. A valanches tore down the mountain sides, plowed their ways to be rolled from the spot selected by John Burt. The claim chosen by Bilake soon exhausted littelf, and he turned is attention to the third, expression of the spot of the sp

the improvement will add much to the attractiveness of the present hunting and fishing grounds.

Pearls in the Ohio.

Upwards of 200 men are now engaged in the muscle shell industry on the Ohio river between Metropolis and the Ohio river between Metropolis and the Ohio river between Metropolis and the Wabsah river, where that stream has been shandoned on account of the trouble existing between the diggers and the land owners. It is found that the shells and owners are even more pleetiful in the Ohio river than the Wabsah. The industry promises to be used to the owner of the Wabsah. The industry promises to have a state of the Wabsah. The industry promises to have a state of the Wabsah. The industry promises to have a state of the Wabsah. The industry promises to have a state of the Wabsah. The industry promises to have been departed by the Wabsah. The industry promises to have a state of the Wabsah. The industry promises to have a state of the Wabsah. The industry promises to have a state of the Wabsah. The industry promises to have a state of the Wabsah. The world in the world.

Asks for New Trial.

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Railvoad Head Was Wrong in "Calling Down" Machinist.

When A. A. Robinson, of the Mestican Central railroad, was the inspiring genius of the Santa Fe, he often visited the big shops in Topeka. One day while on a tour of inspection he watched a machinist execute a piece of work. Now, Mr. Robinson prides lamself upon his knowledge of every branch of the railroad service. Upon this occasion it struck him that the machinist was not doing his work correctly.

Close Right of Way Purchases.
Officers of the Alton, Grantie and St. Louis traction company are closing a deal for the purchase of the last right of way between Alton and Grantie City. Knights Going to the Conclave.
The members of the Knights Templar of Decatur will go in a special car to attend the convention of the order in California. September 5 to 5. independent "Phone Line.

The Upper Alton village board has granted a franchise to a new Itel-phone and telegraph company Composed of farmers who are built-farmers telegraph company Composed of farmers who are built-farmers telegraph company Composed of farmers who are built-farmers telegraph company Composed farmers who are built-farmers telegraph company of the Carlon of