CHAPTER XIV.

The Island of Grande Terre, off the coast of Louisiana, runs parallel with the mainland; and at its weatern end. is a secure harbor, reached -by the Great Pass of Barataria, whose water is the control of the Control

was nominal misster.

"And so Laro is dead, and the Barra
de Hierro in English hands," Pierre
was saying.

"Teil-me of thy plans, and what is
to become of the lovely Senorita La-

to become of the lovely Senorita Laralle."

At this, Jean, putting aside his former mood, sketched out clearly all his latended operations, telling in detail of his interview with Philip La Roche, who with his widowed sister, Madame Riefet, would take the Spanish beauty into their charge.

It was now some two months since the governor's edict had been issued against the introduction of African slaves; and he had followed this by an address "To all whom it might concern in the territory," stating that thad come to his knowledge that well-laid plans existed to defeat and evade this edict by way of Harataria; and, as Jean now learned from Pierre, a rumor was affeat that the governor

and, as Jean now learned from Pierre, a rumor was afloat that the governor contemplated setting a price upon the head of Jean Laftte, smuggler, slave-trader, and pirate. "It is only a rumor as yet." answered Pierre, with no sifm of anxiety: "and, together with the stories of bad feeling growing between these states and England, it gives the people states and England, it gives the people

where the evening sky was gittering in the day's gray athes.

It was the Island Rose; and the song was one her mother had taught here one Lafite had heard the girl sing during their journey from the Choctaw country.

"Mademolselle Rose," he said, speaking very softly, as the sweet voice died away, breathing the final words like a sigh from a breaking heart.

"Who is it—what do you wish?" she inquired timidly, and not a little startled.

"It is I, mademoiselle. Do you not remember me?"

"Ah!" It was a strip of joy; and two small hards, white as her snowy draperies, with the she will be softly and one of the she will be she

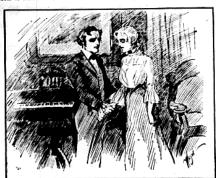
and wondering to himself for being so tonguedted in the presence of this mere child.

"Surely I am. So often have I asked myself during this long summer where you were and what doing. Ob, Captain Jean, I am so very glad you have come back. And now you will storn mew careful, fearlessly, as if happy in showing her liking for him.

"I fear not, ma'm'selle. I am here for a few hours only, on business, and came to see your grandfather. You speak of, the summer being long. Were you not happy ma'm'selle?"

She moved uneasily, and her head drooped; but she did not reply.

"Tell me, little liland Rose, were you unt happy?" he asked again, taling her hand. "Remember that It was I who brought you bere—I, who loved and revered your mother. And I must feel the deepest regret to have been the means of bringing her hald be under means of bringing her child to unter the means of the mean the means of bringing her child to un happiness. Is not your grandpere kind to you?"



"Will you promise to do this?"

"I wish there would be war declared against Great liritain!" declared lean. with undedenimitude, as he nodded the state of the state of

sever seems to really know when she is well thrashed."
It was now Pierre's turn to nod.
"If war came," continued Jean, his eyes sparkling as if with satisfaction at the idea, "do you know I think it should go to the governor and offer all I have for pife assistance,"
"Ah?" said Pierre, with a slight elevation of his heavy eyelrows. men. or with a single elevation of his heavy eyelrows. men. or with the could then fight his, and yellow against the English."
"That might be," his tione changed as he added, being his eyes, filled with a met and with a met face, allow with a new and hates Bohnquarte."
"Hates—yes; but fears, as well. Oh It Lean but help lay but his now hat the post of the series of

hates Bohaparte.
"Hates—yes; but fears, as well.
Oh, if I can but help lay low his most
hated enemy. I shall feel, in dying for
it, the greatest happiness I ever
knew."

knew."
Pierre whistled softly, and spaching
for a fiagon of wine, filled two glasses.
"Here, Jean," he said, lifting one of
them, "let at drink to the overthrow
of English power in any land wherein
e may abide, and long life and prosperity to him you love."

Twilight was coming when Jean La-tte took his way to the house of ount de Careneau.

Count de Careneau.

Up the avenue of live oaks, upon whose branches the gray moss draped filaments looking shostly in the twilingth, the passed to the pillared portice of the counts residence, and, as was his privilege, entered its wide door unannounced.

The low strumming of a guitar from a near-by room drew his footsteps toward it, and he was soon standing on its threshold.

"Oh, yea," was her hasty reply.
"He has been—means to be, very
kind, I am sure. He has given me
many pretty things—clothes, and jewels, and books—things of which I
never knew before in all my life."
"Yet. little Rose, I feel that something is troubling you." Lattite declared condenstly. "I shy you would
tell me what it is, and perhaps I can
and contented as I want to feel you
are in this new home to which I
brought you."

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His voice, with its gentle insistence; the firm pressure of his hand upon her small fingers—these impelled her, after a brief hesitancy, to say, speaking very softly. "There seems to be some mystery about my surroundings — something in my grandpere's life I cannot understand; and this makes me uncomfortable. And he has such strange associates." It was well for both the girl and the man that the darkness hid the look of the face when he heard these words.

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"On the island, where we spent the summer, such rough, dreadful-looking men came to see him, and then disappeared auddenly. I never speke with them, for he hade me keep out of their way; but they frightened me, for they looked wicked and cruel, and many of them were as dark-skinned as our slaves. Some of them were dressed so oddly, with red caps on their heads, and rings in their cars. I could not but wonder why he should permit such men to eater his house, and what could be their business with him."

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"Ab, that is pleasant for me to beer, and to know, Capitaln Jean," she risplied, with childlah frankses, releasing her hand and laying it on his arm. "But," now with some saniety. "how can you ever be able to do much for me, should I need you! It is long since I have seen you, or know the saniety of the layer of the

you are here but for a few nours, and will then go away again, I know not where."

Although seemingly "twixt smiles and tears," she spoke with an arch naivete that affected Lafitle most curi-

and lears," she spoile with an arch naivete that affected Lafitte most curiously, an alvent that affected Lafitte most curiously, "You know Zeney, the one called a witch, your grandpere's dave!" he isquired with apparent Irrelevance. "Yes, of course," answered Roselle, surprise showing in her voice. "She is a dreadful-looking old woman, with hig black eyes. At first I was afraid of her, but now I am not, for she knew and loved my mother, and has talked to me of her." With the stand of her, but her with the said to her with the said the her with the said to her with the said the said to her with the said to word any service you think! I can render, all you need do is to tell Zeney, and then allow three days to pass in which to see me or hear from me. Will you promise to do this?" He bent toward her with an earnestness in his manner that caused her to wonder at the time and afterwards. "Yes, I promise, and I thank you." She answered softy, and teld on the carectage the room and greet-cel Lafitte with a cordainty he accorded to few men; but the Island-Rose did not return.

(To be continued.)

Interesting Letter From Great Soldier

interesting Letter From Great Soldier to His Wife.

There has just been discovered in the family archives of a landed proprietor in Mecklenburg a hitherto unpublished letter written by the celebrated Marshal Blucher to Waterland and the street of the series of the ser

seriel; everyloop have him. Delieve this will all be over in a short while, and then I shall hasten home. There are many pretty things here, but I must not take anything away. "Dundeo Advertiser."

Hard on Foreigners in Mexico.
"Once while sojourning in the Cit
of Mexico I happened to call upon
friend at one of the principal hotels of
that capital," said Representativ
Southard of Ohlo.
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ricent at one of the principal hotels of that capital," said Representative Southard of Ohio.

"While in his room I noticed a very fine revolver, and, making some comment upon it, he picked it up and began to explain how, although it was of single action, he could fire it as fast as though it were double action. Insome way in the red double action, in some way in the red double action, in some way in the season to explode in a second my friend turned deathly pale and became so agistated that he could scarcely speak.

"Having noticed that the builde struck a rug and took a downward course, I didn't see and cause for excitement, and, lifting up the rug, showed him where the lead took lodgement then he explained his agitation. 'Had that buildt gone into the court,' all the hotels down there open into a court,' instead of the floor, and had it struck any Mexican, my life would not have been worth a tenenuplice. I have lived down here long enough to know how swift is the punchament meted out to foreigners, ever in case of according would have been of no avail, for one of them, it is quite probable that you had nothing to do with the shooting would have been of no avail, for your presence here would have conderned your." Washington You.

"Three Balls and Out."

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"So you refuse to give me the
money, eh?" said the profigate son.
"Yes," replied the stern parent.
"Not another cent of my hard-carned
coin for you."
"Then here goes," cried the youth as
he seized a silver-mounted pistol from
his father's deak.
"Unhappy bonk helpleady into a
clast," what would you do—take your
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man as no sain neighbour into a chair, "what would you do—take your life?"
"Not so you could notice it," replied the wayward offspring as a diabolical grin chased little or his beardless phiz. I'm merely going to loan this lead pill dispenser to my 'uncle:' see."

The Real End.
"Yes, he was killed by a blow from a policeman's club."
"Sort of hard wood finish, ch?"—
Puck.

Not to His Taste, Visitor—And are you unhappy? Convict—Kind of that way. This ere simple life is sorter protonous.

## Illinois Legislature

them."

But Lindly's stinging rebuke did
not caim the gathering. When he
concluded the bombardment broke out
with renewed vigor and continued
throughout the afternoon. Senator
Thomas Rees declared he had been insuited.

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"Bu you know who I am?" shouted the Springfield statesman, as he raised his voice above the noise that purposed crying him down.

"Nobody cares who you are," responded a voice from the audience.

It was then that Senator Rees served notice that he had a vote on the university appropriation and that it institution would suffer for the uncourteous treatment accorded the committee.

Civil Service in Ooubt.

An attempt will be made to get public bill 218, the comprehensive civil revrice measure for all state institutions and departments, in aboad of the Jindly Cook county measure and have it voted on before that bill comes up for action, An effort is being made to seeme a postponenest of action to regard to this bill.

uncourtous restances accorded the committee.

There is no doubt that the demonstration will work harm to the appropriation will work harm to the appropriation and the country of the committee since their return to Springfield that the university, the town of Champaign and the county, too, must be punished, and the quickest way to revenge is through the appropriation.

Already many people of Champaign are disclaiming the meeting and are offering apploacies, which they hove wrath of the members of the legislating which will be a supported to the place at Bloomington this week may be declared off, as members of the countries who will be a supported that McLean county spatial it is alleged that McLean county spatial it is alleged that McLean county spatial it is alleged that McLean county spatial to the country countries when the McLean county spatial it is alleged that McLean county spatial to the members of the countries when at the McLean county spatial to the members of the fall and has not since been seen.

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STEAD'S ANTI-TRUST BILL.

All kinds of insurance companies and associations of underwriters are included in the anti-trust bill which representative M. L. McKinley of C. This bill was drawn by Attorney General Stead and has Gov. Deneen's approval. It is a combination of an attitust measure introduced by Mr. McKinley some time ago and a bill.

approval. It is a combination of an atti-firust measure introduced by Mr. McKinler some time ago and a bill that was drawn for introduction by the attorney general.

In the new bill a provision is inserted, which the attorney general believes will prevent the control of rates by insurance companies. It forbids such companies to combine by any association, agency, contract or agreement for the purpose of establishing uniform or noncompetitive rates of interest, insurance or compensation, to be charged for the forbearance or lean of money or the guaranty of indemnity for loss of life areas of the company that violates the act shall be putshable by the revocation of a putshable by the revocation of

Country Comes First.

Speaker Shurtieff says the house from this time on will give country measures preference. This is understood to mean that there will be no further Chicago legislation until after the April election.

University Scholarshipa.

Senator Templeton introduced a bill providing that each member of the general assembly may nominate two candidates for scholarships in the University of Illinois.

its charter and any foreign company by exclusion from the state.

Instead of providing a pentitentiary sentence of from one to ten rears, as the original bill, the new measure is a sentence of from one to ten rears, as the original bill. The new measure is corporations, rancing from \$4500 to \$2,000 and and \$15,000 in 500 to \$1,000 and imprisonment in sall not to exceed one year.

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Members of a joint legislative committee who went to Champaign to reducate the farmers is hard roads building," came near being mobbed and, in consequence, the appropriation for the University of Illinois is an account of the members of the committee and the "antibard-roaders," who composed the audience of sweet all hundred persons. Not only the members of the committee, but the governor and all others associated with the hard roads movement, came has a secondary. Farmers and land owners were in attendance from miles around and everyone in the audience seemed loaded with anti-hard-roads ammunition. At times the large assemblage became a mob, howling, hooting and cat-calling, waring ther haits in the far and in every conceive the month of the price of the transparence of the committee of the committee of the farmers of the committee of t

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Petition for Referendum.

Mr. Sheen introduced a bill giving he voters of any town the power of eto by a majority vote any time rithin eighteen months of the passage of an extinance by the city course.

of an ordinance by the city council or village board. Ten per cent of the legal voters may petition for an elec-tion for this purpose.

Eight-Hour Workday

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Mr. Ambrose of Cook introduced a
bill establishing an eight-hour workday on public work of all kinds when
adopted by referedium vote, the
county board to enforce the provisions
when work is done by contract or
otherwise, and requiring that current
wages be paid.

Raises Salaries of Judges. Haines introduced a bill raising the salaries of circuit and superior court Judges from \$2,500 to \$5,000. A similar bill was passed two years ago and was veloed by Governor Yates.

Sanitary Trustee Reports Chairman Kleeman of the requiring reseman of the water-ways committee reported out the bill requiring trustees of the sanitary dis-trict of Chicago to report to the gov-ernor. The bill was read the first time.

Real Estate Liena.
Senator Lundberg introduced a bill
to create a lien upon real estate
scheduled on bonds in criminal and
civil cases. Lien is created on real
estate only.

May Vote on Saloons.
Senator Townsend introduced a subcitizen for senate bill 94 providing
that upen petition sincestion whether
the sincestic to a vote of the peopic. The senate has passed a local
option bill, which had attached to it a
referendum clause submitting the
act to the electors of the state. It is
not to be in force unless a majority
of the votes is cast in favor of it.

Civil Service in Doubt.

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City and Country Journalism.

Dr. W. H. Lynch of #5alen, Mo., praled recently, at the University of Pennyl Irank.

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Finally he told a number of stortes about country methods of journalism.

"A country celltor," he said, "was appointed, through some misapprehension or other, to the city editornih of a leading daily. The first day of his appointment a ferce fire swept the town—a fire, let us say. like that which devastated haltimore last white. The managing editor sent for the new city editor and asked him what arrangements he had made for reporting the fire fully and accurately.

"What's said the new man, Twe made none."

"None! said the managing editor. "Good gracious, man, why none?"

"What's the use printing anything about a fee like this" said the city editor. "It such a big for that everybody is town will go to see it for himself."—Sait Lake Tribus.

NERVOUS HEADACHE

MARRED A YOUNG WOMAN'S HAP-PINESS FOR SEVEN YEARS.

Found at Last.

Alston, Mich., March 13th.—(Special.)—After sunfering for twenty years leading for twenty years leading for twenty years leading and spending for twenty leading for the last leading for the last leading for all his aches, pains and weakness, in Dodd's Kidney Pills.

Naturally Mr. Culet seels much elattered to the remedy that gave him health.

"Yes," Mr. Culet says, "my rheumstism and Kidney Pills at the last leading for t Well Casing.

Fenator Pemberton introduced a bill providing that before the easing shall be drawn from any well for the purpose of abandoment which has been drilled into any gas or oil bearing rock, it shall be the duty of any person or corporation controlling such well properly and securely to stop and plug the same. Work to Pay Fines.

Senator Helm introduced a bill provioing that when judgment is rendered by a justice-of the peace in a criminal case the justice may, as a part of the judgment, order the defendant to work out his fine and costs upon the public highways, streets or alleys at the rate of \$1.50 a day.

Picture Accepted.
"Is Willie's father an artist, pop?"
"I never heard that he was, my son."
"Well, Willie says his father has just had one of his pictures accepted at the rogues' gallery."—Yonkers Statesman.

Try One Patkage.

If "Defiance Starch" does not please
you, return it to your dealer. If it
does you get one-third more for the
same money. It will give you satisfaction, and will not stick to the iron.

if we could read the secret history of our enemies, we should find in each man's life sorrow and suffering enough to disarm all hostility.—Lon fellow.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAT Tate Latative Brome Quinine Tableta. All drup gists refued the mosty it it falls to care. E. W. Grove's signature is on each bot. Ed.

Good, the more communicated, the more abundant grows.—John Milton.

Do Your Clothes Look Yellow? Then use Defiance Starch, it will usep them white—16 oz. for 10 cents.

To think well is the way to act rightly.—Paley.