The CONVICT COUNTRY'S OF FIGHTING for a MILLION

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CHAPTER XVII.

The First Night in the Convict City,
John Rogers and Richard Golden
eld the way toward the well-lit building in the center of the city.
"What relation are you to Golden?"
"No relation," answered Lang.
"How is it you appear to have power
to influence Golden for good? I feel
that Golden is a better man now than
before he met you."
"I saved his life," was Lang's simple
saware.

Why did you interfere in my be sense of justice. Could I stand y and see a human being torn see by dogs, when I might save

now! Tou uncerstand is wast canner you have placed yoursell by aiding me?"

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To have an object in view in keeping in a live—and I mean to keep you altre! Now that I have seen your face, I have an idea that you and I can pull perty well together. How many men, placed in your position, would hare refused aid as you did, just because your willing friend would become involved? That showed me that you were worth the risk I took."

CWilson gazed on Lang in amine you are a secoundrel—yet I presume you are, or you would not be here!"

"80? Well, I robbed Jim Denver, the Chicago detective of ten thousand dollars!" said Lang, as If in exues for being in the convict city.

"You damned secondrel!" said Wilson, and he threw himself upon Lang taken by aurprise at the ondaught, but was quicker than Wilson, who had searce recovered from the fatigue of his chase.

"80 you love Denver!" said Lang in

f his chase.
"So you love Denver?" said Lang in low tone, as he deftly pinioned the ther's arms to his side. "You love Im enough to kill the man who has

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Of a hall or theater, was finished in a circle, circu-like, with an enclosed ring and raised seats from which in any part of the house the spectators could command a clear view of anything transpiring in the pit. It was undoubtedly modeled after the Coliseum of Rome.

John Rogers walked with Lang and Colden with Wilson down the incline and late the ring. Fig. 19 of the pit of the raised platform. There was nothing about him to denote that he was king. He was dressed as the majority, in plain black evening dress and spotless lines. Upon the platform were four other seats. Upon one sat Pearl Huntington, her face bathed in tears; and Louis Lang thought that he had never looked upon a more lovely and pitiable sight. Upon another, with a gavel in his hands, another, with a gavel in his hands, the walk of the color of the circ before him, sat the crier of the circ. The two other chairs were empty. Schiller bowed to Golden, coldy, but showed no surries in seeins him seeling him seeding him shows the solution of the coldy.

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"Ladles and gentlemen of Paradise," the crier said, "we are about to administer the oath to these men and women, and that you may judge of their merits intelligently. I shall give you a brief history of each, after you a brief history of each, after Then he introduced each candidate, giving an account of their maps supposed virtues and vices.

Lang being unknown to the crier, Golden was then requested to give a short biography of our hero. This was done in quite a dramatic manner. He ended up his little introductory speech with words something in the second of the hand who attacked our train: Three days ago he saved our train: Three days ago he saved my life from the hand of Revolver Rob, who would have assassinated me but for his interposition. He is a



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sembly Hall.
"The king is here," said Golden to Lang. "You will be requested to take the cest of allegiance!"
It was not strange that the quartette had met no one in their journey to the hall. This was a gala night in Paradise on account of the arrival of stores and the fact that the giris brought into the city were to be auctioned off or rather rained off). All persons able were assembled in the hall.

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Quite a commotion was aroused at the sight of the four, and for several minutes Golden's name was on every-body's tongue. There was handshaking and general greeting.

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about twenty feet behind Golden and rockers, and as the accurde had been as from the control of the contro

all. Then the king pronounced each and all members of the colony, ending up with:

"Let me impress upon you the solemnity of the oath you have just taken. You are no longer eitliens of the United States, but belong body and soul to Paradisel. You have expressed your assent to abide by its laws; this is clear to you. You will be expected to work, to do your share in supporting the country and increasing its wealth. You cannot leave the city without a written permit from me, the king. If you prove yourselves traitors, death is the penalty! Death is also the penalty for other misdeed, but here you have one chance of exape; but to be a traitor in death in stanter. Now that I have, I hope, made myself plain, I warn you, study the law, that your days may be long and happy once!"

After delivering his speech Schiller at down, while several unbers sup-

pited seats for the several groups and, alotted to them places to sleep. Thus fay the king had seen it not to notice Wilson to the extent of speaking to him, presumably weighing well his words before compromising himself. During the luil he sat giaring at Wilson to the savage beast, seemingly notified as avarage beast, seemingly southless of a savage beast, seemingly southless as avarage beast, seemingly southless are yet of the himself of the savage beast of the king more and more.

"What are you doing here?" the king finally asked, in a volce showing suppressed excitement. The assemblace was on the qui vive.

Wilson did not dinch nor tremble, but like the brave man he was, with but like the brave man he was, with but like the brave man he was, with which represented the platform suppressed with the platform answer, Golden spoke up. "He is here by my authority," he said, coolly, realizing that the crisis was at hand. Then Schiller turned to Golden. Then Schiller turned to Golden. Being in a measure prepared for Golden's champlonship, he was not surprised, "My do you bring him, here?" "For no other reason than that I

he asked.

"For no other reason than that I desire to see thir play accorded him!" was the quiet reply.

"You know then that he has been condemned to death!" was the ferce question.

"I do," replied Golden rising,
"And yet you dare to bring him here?"

"And yet you wan there?" "Certainly! I made the laws by which this colony is governed," prond-ly, "and I say that there is no law which gives even the king right to unjustly condomn a human being to death without cause!" There was a spppressed murmur of admiration from the crowd.

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"The king is supreme!" said Schiller for a moment off his guard at the seeming audacity of Golden.

"Most rowerful cars!" said Golden, bowing in mock honor to Schiller while a amile of scorn played round his face. The king saw his mistake as the seeming audacity of the seeming the seeming audacity of the seeming the seeming audacity of the seeming audacity of the seeming seeming audacity of seeming audacity of seeming audacity

"Yest yes! So be it!" was the cry. Schiller arose. He saw his power slipping from him. Crafty to a high degree he did not attempt to stem the tide by ectortum harshly, but bowing countering further obstacles and humiliation, he said, "Ye people of Paradise! I how to your decision! It is just; I was a little hasty; I forgive Wilson the indignity he has heaped upon his king!"

The words were apoken humbly, but

upon his king!"
The words were spoken humbly, but
Lang and Wilson were not deceived.
They knew that Schiller would never
rest until he had wiped out the bitter sting of defeat.
(To be continued.)

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Dorothy's Directions Strong Where Mother's Fell Down Worst.

Twelve-year-old Dorothy is already a cook of no mean proficiency. Saturation of the strong was a cook of no mean proficiency. Saturation in the making of some simple dish.

"Oh, put in a moderately generous plach of salt," her mother will reply to her anxious inquiry. Or her grand-mother will give a professional glance at the stew pan and say, "Well, if I were making it I think I'd probably put in quite a little more butter."

Such remarks, coming easily from the tongues of artists who have only of making to know exactly what it needs, are exasperating to a youthful cook, especially one who inherits from "the other side" a prediction for scientific accuracy of statement. Recently Dorothy, returning from a visit, excited the interest even of those past masters, her mother and grandmother, by making a wonderful new salid dressing. The two ladies diressing, under Dorothy's instruction. "Well," asid Dorothy, with urnatural deliberation, "I' I were making that dressing is shouldn't be surprised if most likely I'd put in a moderately generous heaping tipe-ad-of-a-medium-sized-tablespoonful"—Youth's Companion.

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Two Keys. But Only One Keyhole.
The Pather Mathew society of Lynn.
Mass. presented two well known young business men of that city with a nice roll-loop desk. The elder brother, having been in the country the long-set, is more up to date. He said:
"Dinny, this is a fine present. Here are two keys; one for you and one for me."
"But," said Dinny, "where is my keyhole?"

ILLINOIS NEWS

Leroy Foots Losse Position Because of Defective Eyesight.

Railroad men on the Chicago and Alton who knew Leroy Foots in the early days of that road have been informed that he has been compelled to end his career as an engineer by a new ruling of the Chicago, Pooria and St. Louis railway, on which he was employed for many years. Foots is past 69 years of age. He was the engineer on the care of age. He was the engineer on the up and robbed by the Jesse James gang in the famous Blue cut robbery. "Chalky" Foots, as he was known, was for many years one of the most popular and best-known engineers in the west. In recent years he has been running a way freight on the Bluff line from Alton to Springfield. Defective vision is said to be the cause of his re-tirement, but the railway company, it is said, will provide him with other employment.

NAMED FOR PRISON CONGRESS

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Gov. Densen Announces Representatives to Lincoln Convention.

Governor Densen has announced the appointment of the following delegates to represent Illinois at the National Prison association meeting, to be held at Lincoln, Neb., Oct. 21:26: Mrs. Ophila.

Mrs. Ophelia L. Amigh, Geneva; Benjamin Brown, E. A. Salvely and Dr. Frederick Howard Wines, Springfield; Thomas J. Clark, Quincy; M. M. Mallary, Pontiac; Everett J. Murphy, T. Control, C

Near McLeansboro, Mrs. C. W. Compton, aged 52; William Marsh, aged 81; Mrs. Betty F. Jacobus, aged 72.

73. At Ridgway, John Dietz, aged 67, a farmer, died at his barn while feeding his horses. At Mound City, Mary W. Merty mother of Capt. George E. Merty, aged 89.

 At Virden, Thomas Croweroft, age. 38, who ran on the Labor ticket fo mayor in 1903. At Mascoutab, Mrs. Anna M. Eiser meyer, aged 73, one of the earliest set tiers of the community.

Teachers' Certificates.

Supt. Bayliss of the public instruction department has issued a circular
defining the requirements of applicants for state teachers' certificates,
under the new law. Any teacher
graduated by the school of education
of the University of Illinois or either
normal university or any state normal
school may obtain a certificate and
on filing a satisfactory thesis passing
an examination in six subjects. Any
teacher of three years' successful experience, two of which shall have
been in Illinois, may obtain a certificate on passing an examination in
stricen branches which are outlined
to the circular. Teachers' Certificate

Provides for Widow

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The will of John Carey, deceased, has been presented at Hillsborr for probate. The testator devised all his property to his wife, Sarah Carey, for her life, and after her death directed a division among his children. The sum of \$100 is bequeathed to his grandson, William Keller, and \$50 is directed to be paid for masses for the repose of his soul. His sons, William Carey and Martin Carey, are named as executors of the will.

Oll Lands Are Leased.

Oil Lands Are Leased.

The Standard Oil Company has concluded a lease for the Jacob Goble farm of 160 acres, at Charleston, paying a royalty of \$2,000 cash and giving the owner of the land one-fourth of all the products. The 150-acre farm of W. M. Briggs of Charleston was sold for \$36,000 to L. E. Harshman of Bemeet and C. E. Hamilton of Tober Hill. Seven wells are already in operation on the hand.

Salesman a Suicide.

H. W. Bishop, a traveling salesman whose home was in Litchfield, committed suicide at St. Louis by taking poison. He left a letter addressed to his wife saying that financial difficulties caused him to take his life. Bishop was a member of a prominent central Illinois family.

Odd Fellows Buy Home.
The Odd Fellow' lodge of Mattoon
has, purchased the handsome new
Holmes building on Charleston avenus, where the lodge headquarters will
be located. The consideration was
\$14,545. The Mattoon lodge is the
largest in the state outside of Chicago.

French Army Bands.
The two-year estistment plan in France is likely to deprive the French army of its bands. An efficient bands man is not to be made in two years

The milk and foodstuffs of scores of resfaurants in Chicago will probably soon be under the critical eyes of inspectors and chemists of the Illines for eyested commission for analysis of the complete states of the complete states are supported to the complete states are supported to the complete states against impure and adulterated milk and estables that have been served in dozens of resturants and lunchrooms. Assistant Commissioner Patterson and that it is likely that a great investigation soon will be begun by the impectors of the department. Loc. a traveling salesman, todged a complaint against the milk and pic he was arred with recently complete the complete states are stated as a first-class cafe. "I paid enough for the milk," the traveling man said, "to get the pure lacted fuld. If a cow gave the milk it must have been a funny kind of a cow. Talk about 'Blue John,' the man who invented that brand of milk to must have been a funny kind of a cow. Talk about 'Blue John,' the man who invented that brand of milk could get cues enough from that I had to drink to win in any contest. Just below the top it was a duly havy blus that looked like it would had to be ton anming everything that was in the ple.

The commissioners believe from the complaints they have received that scores of restaurants and lunchrooms have been guilty of violations of the laws in order to secure more profit through using adulterated and inpure milk was in the ple.

"We'll have to forceed about securing samples from the various places and dine and take away samples with them. The difficult part about it will be that one man will have to be able to eat much to secure a number of samples at a time."

Mr. Fatterson declared that the complaints have colored a number of laces.

places.
"Only the Lord knows what is in them at present," one man said, "but the pure food commission should try to find out for the benefit of the pub-

Wine Diamond Badge.
William D. Stannard of Chicago
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meet of the Bockful on the commenmeet of the Bockful on the chicago
day, in the shoot-off of the Guelle the
with Engstrom of Chicago. J. R. Graman, Lagleside, won the silver loving
cup event. Stannard won the high
up of the day among professionals
and Engstrom had the highest amateur average. Leading marksmen
from aweral states were in attendance.

Elope in Automobile.

Miss Cella Cherry of Cortland and
A. B. Stuben of De Kalb eloped in an
automobile for parts unknown. Arrangements hand see made for a
wedding in the near future at the
obmo of the bride, but her parents refused to give their consent at the last,
as their daughter is only about 18
years of age. The elopement resulted.

Cook County Inheritance Tax.
Inheritance taxes aggregating 1480,184.75 have been assessed and collectde (in Cook county since last March.
Several cases are still pending in the
supreme court and at the present rate
the inheritance taxes in Cook county
alone will yield the state a revenue of
\$1,000,000 a year.

Fire Sweeps Dubola.
Fire destroyed the Moulten house at Dubola. The following business houses were destroyed, including the postoffice: Reminger's confectionery, Dr. Neadeker's office, J. A Reminger's poultry house, one residence and a number of other small buildings. None of the buildings was insured.

Senator Berry is Receiver.
State Senator O. F. Berry of Carthage has been named received for the
Peoria National bank, which was
wrecked and forced into the comptroller's hands by the troubles of School
Superintendent N. C. Dougherty.

Pay \$30,000 for Mine.
Frank Horn and Harry C. Miller have purchased Jupiter No. 3 mine at Duquoin for \$40,000 and will begin to operate it at once.

New Paster for Pana.
Rev. J. W. Lorimer of Springs
as accepted the pasterate of
irst Christian church in Pana.

Prison League Celebrates.
The tenth anniversary of the founding of the prison volunteer league was
celebrated at Joilet penicentlary Sunday. Mrs. Maud Ballington Booth,
founder of the league, made an address to 1,400 convicts.

Farmer Shoots Intruder.
While seeking refuge from the cold in a strawstack at Mattoon. Frank Kilse, aged 27, who says his home is in Bilwood, ind., was shot in the foot y Rugh Mills, owner of the straw-

FIND BODY NEAR AN OLD MILLFarm Hand Goes to Carmi and Engages in Drinking Bout.

On the platform of an eld mill near
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SIX HEIRS TO IMMENSE ESTATE

Fifty Million Dollars Will Be Divided Among Illinois People."

Edward, Ida and Reuben Fisher, of Peorla, and three Pekin members of the same family, Calvin, Frank and Alice Fisher, are heirs to an estate valued at over \$50,000,000. The property belongs to the estate of Adam Fisher, who died in Pennsylvania soveral years ago and which has been in Eliteation since. Attorney Heary Clay of Pekin has just returned from the east and says that the estate will be settled up in a short time.

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Dunkards Elect Officers.

The Dunkards of the southern Illinois districts concluded their annual conference at Cerro Gordo to meet next year at Big Greek church, Parkersburg. The new officers elected were: Moderator, Michael, Flora; Reading; clerk, F. W. Gerber; secretory, J. G. Blickenstaff; members of standing committee. Bosmom Buckley; member of missionary board, W. Ley; member of missionary board, W. Greens missionary committee, George Sesseanbaught.

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Mexican Veterans' Election.
The thirty-fourth annual remion of
Illinois Mexican war veterans was
held in Galesburg and was attended
by twenty of the fifty surriving members in the state. The following officers were elected for the ensuing
year: President, Leroy Wiley, Paris;
vice presidents, L. H. Smith, Pleasant
Plains, and Thomas B. Briggs, Delavan; secretary, Rufus Cleveland,
Galesburg, The principal speaker was
Hon. J. Nick Perrin of Belleville. The
average age of those present was 50
years.

The stockyards Burn.
The stockyards of the Rock Island,
The stockyards of the Rock Island,
The Iose is estimated at \$10,000.
The fire is supposed to have been incendiary. The yards were used joint
bad a capacity of 20,000 head. A high
had a capacity of 20,000 head. A light
hroughout the columning brands
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are aldence district, but no damage resalted.

Express Office is Robbed.

Bulle Agent Hudnell, the American express agent at Nokomis, was at supper, a package cantaining \$1,250 was stolen from the office. The money was for the Nokomis National bank. Robert Anderson, son of a well-known family, was arrested at Pillmore by Big Four detectives and charged with the theft. All the money except about \$35 was recovered.

Severs Fingers Topping Turnips.
While topping turnips in his field at his home on the Milistadt road, near Belleville, Charles Briesacher, a faracr, elipped and fell, severing the isdex finger of his left hand with the sharp knife he was using.

Shoots Neighbor Through Heart.
While under the influence of lique
N. S. Hahn, a wealthy farmer
Galesburg, shot F. M. Chronki
through the heart. Hahn was arrest
by Sheriff Hurburgh of Galesburg.

Bank Permit is issued.

A certificate has been issued by the comptroller of the currency authorising the First National Bank of Enfeld to begin business with a capital of \$25,000.

Loses Eye Chasing Dog. Ed Merrill of East St. Louis the sight of his right eye as the of failing upon asharp stick chasing a dog near his home

Aid in Beautifying Gity.
The woman's club of Pana awarded
the prises for the most beautiful yard
flower beds in the city. Miss Augusta Uhl and Miss Ruth Wilcockson
won first rice, 32, and Miss Irene
Cremelle second prise \$1.

Laborer Dies of Injuries.

Cero Pele, aged 31, an employe of the Missouri Pacific railroad at Baxter, died at St. Mary's hospital, Enel St. Louis, from injuries received white assisting loading coal on the tander of a locomotive.