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SYNOPSIS.

t Coast, a young man y, meets Douglas Blacks im to a card party. It he dislikes Blackstock, g that both are in love w axter. Coast falls to co-ackstock is unworthy hip. At the party Coast Dundas and Van Tuyl.

CHAPTER II .-- (Continued.)

Blackstock Interposed hastly "That fourth-best spade of yours certainly did lead him up to slaughter." He reached over and took up the deck at Trux's elbow, spreading the cards with a dextross sweep of his strong, blust macers. "New game. Cut, you fellows."

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Truax pushed back his chair, nodding cheerfully to Coast. But for a heightened tint of color he showed no trace of being aware of Van Tuyl's insolence. "Cut in, Garrett; it's your turn. "Unless." he added, "yeu-all want to quit. It's pretty late." I think I'll drop, for one." "Drop," said Van Tuyl sweetly, "and be damned." "What do you mean by that?" Truax, on his feet, turned upon his formenor with an imperceptible tremor in his voice.

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"Good-night," he said brusquely, and so betrayed the effort his self-control cost him.' "You-all can send your checks if I am anything ahead."

"We'll try not to forget, thanks." A satiric smile on Van Tuyl's thin thys winged the Parthin durt.

Truax did not reply, but left the room abruptly, Blackstock accompanying him to the door. In his absence Coast cut in as Van Tuyl's pariner and took the chair Truax had just vacated.

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you're more bridge sense than that
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indicate the departing Trunz. "I carefully told him, early in the evening,
that when I doubled I wanted not hisbighest heart, but the highest card of
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Blackstock Moved for the First Time.

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"Precisely."

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It was Van Tury's turn to rise; he pacemplished the action with surprising dignity if with a slight unstead; head of the neal black puncture with the lips. "It ake that from, you in your present condition, Van Tury!. he said slowly. Englished the action with surprising dignity if with a slight unstead; or present condition, Van Tury!. he said slowly. English good to read, my, mean precipitated it. "Oh, say now!" he played. "Were all good friends. Don't let's jus slang one another. Come on, on, and rever an large of the same of that, Blackstock headed the plant street and precipitating it. "Oh, say now!" he played. "Were all good friends. Don't let's jus slang one another. Come on, on, and rever an large of the man's face of the said slowly. "It has that



Summer Resorts Offered Uncle Sam



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To Auction Off Decrepit Warships

THE contemplated sale by the United'States government of 43 warships classed as obsolete in the latest navy report will open an extensive field to the battleship by the classes and protected cruisers, monitors and gunbonts. Rapid development in the building of dreadnoights has coused battleships and other war craft which ten years ago were considered formidable, to fall behind present requirements. Consequently the government plans to get rid of them, either by breaking them up and selling them as Junk, or disposing of them to Sötuth American republics.

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This Country Full of Foreign Spies



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Draughtsmen Separated From Pay-Roll



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E shartes agreeate a conactor of a million dollars of the special particular plans to the consense of the special particular plans for the government's public buildings throughout the land. The treasury officials, in taking stock of cash on hand found that they had only money enough to pay these draughtsmen. Therefore, they asked congress for 250,00,000 to free; them on the payroll for the next into months, completing the fiscall year.

But there was nothing extra coming from congress to meet such a situation and it was suggested that as the government has over ax's hundred drawn plans for all kinds of buildings and the proportion that become extinated army plans for all kinds of buildings and the proportion of the present floating of the proportion of the present floating of the present plans are all the control of the present plans are all proportion that become extinuited the proportion of the present floating the present floating of the present floating of the present floating the present floating the present floating of the present floating the pr

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Barnes Storme—Ah! me boy, but we had the run of our life in Oskaloosa. Friend—H'nn, ain't it lucky they ouldn't catch you?

When the World Was Made.
When Lottle returned from her first visit to Sunday school she was asked what she had learned.
"God made the world in six days, and was arcated on the seventh day," was her version of the lesson imparted.—Lippinzoty's.

Peculiar Industry.
An important industry and one pe-culiar to Spain is the manufacture of jute and hemp sandals.

CHANGE IN WOMAN'S

Made Safe by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.



Mrs. Pinkham, at Lynn, Mass, invites all sick women to write herforadvice. Her advice is free, and always helpful.

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