light air to himself, the words of

CHAPTER XXXVI.

"You said, Combe, that I should not

Anstruther was still sitting on the

"In the dark. It would not be light

all the time you were on the road.

we are going to let you suicide after

Anstruther smiled a little super-

here for a moment?" and he went to

"That is the road to Soda Creek,

"Yes, only there's a bit of a can-

"There wouldn't be any after.

road crosses it. It's four hundred

"If there was a bridge across it, it

"Yes, by two, I should think. But

"Could one be built? How wide is

"Not more than twenty or thirty

"Where is the Buck's Jump. There,

"Yes, right against that big lone

Combe watched him, and at last,

"Forgive me, Anstruther. Perhaps

now. It wouldn't be a square deal to

the question, please. I'm very much

"Leave Miss Clifford's name out of

"Pretty rough on them kiddies, ain't

think he's right, and I'll take blanked

tion occupied by what they saw from

lief. But the riders who emerged

At break-neck gallop they rode to

within a hundred yards of the house,

came several bullets struck the house.

"I seed him go into his room as we

"Kinder sortin' out his duds and get-

window and saw that the Indians were

Then he put his rifle up against the

and muttering "Let 'em settle it them-

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Al noticed him and seemed about to

tin' good and ready for his passear."

"Right?" snorted Combe.

with an obvious effort, he said:

there isn't any bridge and the Indians

table rolling his cigarette.

ciliously.

the window.

Combe nodded.

yon in the way."

surveyor's post.

"I know. But after?"

"He ain't no good about the house He cain't cut wood."

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HOW COMMISSION GOVERNMENT AROSE

Commission government—the form of civic government which is fast supplanting the "mayor and alderman governemnt" in al cities where competence and progression is sought after is only eleven went to the table together, but Mrs. til you come to the place where the years old. It came into being with the rebuilding of Galveston after Roll held up her hand. the great flood of 1900. That terrible disaster coming as it did after gentlemen." And then with a little a succession of corrupt and incompetent city councils had reduced Galveston to a state of bankruptcy, called for drastic changes in the from his corner with somewhat over- wouldn't it?" civic government of Galveston if she was to rise again from her ashes.

The old idea was to divide the city into wards, and allow each ward to select its own representative on the theory that he would a nine. have an intimate understanding of the nature of his district's needs. In effect, it too often meant that the ward representation came to man next." be the special privilege of the ward-heeler and the lowest elements in ward organisation. The aldermen were selected not for their special He remembered that if a pack of cards what's the good of talking. It aint aptitude to look after the affairs of the city, but for their readiness to fetch and carry for the ward bosses.

Even in cities where graft has been unable to effect a foothold-Toronto for instance, not to come nearer home—the aldermen being indiscriminate persons of the butcher and baker and candlestickmaker type, found it easier to keep in the public eye by quarrelling among he smiled again. themselves and talking nonsense for the press, rather than by initiating useful legislation.

Under the new idea which Galveston tried, five men only were elected, and each was made definitely responsible for a special depart- Your turn, Al." ment of the civic work. Instead of a paltry allowance big enough only to make a man want more, an ample salary was paid. The to send an old friend to his death, position was made worth having for itself. And the guarantee of permanence it gave depended entirely upon the fitness of the commissioner and how he behaved in office. The commissioners met together for deliberation and mutual help. But each man was made individually old man, but her hand shook as she responsible for his own department. He stood on his individual record before the public on election day.

The new departure in civic government had success from the It's what I asked for, ain't it, and I understand. I'm going, and there's an Lot 19, block 26, sec. 5. Easy terms. outset. Galveston's credit was restored, her business was built up swung gaily round on his heels to and population flocked in as a result of the reputation she achieved. A great sea wall was built to prevent the possibility of a second flood his elbow, "there is one more to cut destroying the city. Today, Galveston is the second port of export yet." in the United States.

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was the pride without which love is man from Piccadilly began to hum & "You know what we are going to which were:-

Rolt looked at her, and in his eyes

do, Mary, and you know that I am cutting with the rest?" "Of course. You could do nothing

else. I will cut first for you, Dick. Lowest deals, of course?" She had cast the cards on the table, and now stood facing the men, be able to find my way to Soda

a tall, slight figure, as calm to all out- Creek?" ward seeming as if this were but the beginning of a game of bridge. "Yes, ma'am. Lowest deals, as you say," replied Al, with a great smile in

his deep wrinkles, and under his But you don't have to. It is not likely breath he muttered:

"Holy smoke, ain't she a peach?" "Ace high?"

"Ace high it is."

"Then I cut for my husband. Who- "That has nothing to do with the ever cuts the lowest card makes the question. Would you mind coming first attempt."

For a moment her eyes rested on Dick Rolt, and perhaps her lips trembled-they are the only part of the face which no one can control-but if they did, it was so slightly that no one in the room could have sworn to suddenly when she had turned up the knave of diamonds, she had reason enough to be tired, and the room was hot. At once Jim, Al, and Anstruther

"In order of precedence, please, feet deep with sides like the walls of curl about her lips: "Our guest comes first," and young Fairclough came would shorten the distance by a mile, done nonchalance and turned a card

"No luck," he said, as he turned up ain't going to wait whilst we build

"You don't know yet, Mr. Fairclough," she said sweetly. "The fore-

Jim Combe hesitated a moment, and feet at the Buck's Jump. It could be a queer smile spread over his face. bridged there easily enough; but is shot over a smooth surface it is bridged." not impossible to guess where the low cards will be, the least painted offering the least resistance, and he pine with the broken top." picked his card carefully.

he chose had only one pip on it, but | Soda Creek?' for a moment his face clouded. Then

"Ace low, you said, Mrs. Rolt?" "I thought that Jim Combe was a square player," she said, but there and he stood there measuring the dis-"You tance with his eye, and noting the was no censure in her tones. know the rule, Jim. back. land marks Stand

"Give me a little 'un, ma'am." She hesitated. It is not pleasant and the cards which had been were all high.

"You want me to cut for you, Al?" "If the Boss don't mind, ma'am." Rolt nodded to her to humor the Miss Clifford." turned up a five of spades. "Oh, Al, I'm so sorry."

"Then you ain't got no call to be. but there are some things you don't mostly asks for what I want," and he end of it."

leave the room. "Hold on, Al!" said a quiet voice at swered, and left the room.

"Tain't no use, Mr. Anstruther, had left the room, "and she's dead You ain't fit to go, and there ain't any stuck on him. But I guess he's right." thing there no lower than a five." "There are three lower, Al. If you Just to think of himself? No, I don't

please, Mrs. Rolt." Mrs. Rolt looked up into the quiet good care as he doesn't do it." smiling face, and saw a light in it | Whatever Al was going to say was which she had never seen before. It lost, for at that moment the call was as if Anstruther knew what lay sounded from the upper story. The in store for him, and the knowledge rifles were wanted at the windows.

made him hold his head more proudly. With a rush the two men went to "He is right, Al. You pledged your, their places, and for the next twenty selves that all should cut. Take your minutes they had their whole attencard, Frank."

As she spoke Kitty Clifford moved their posts. from her friend's side uncertainly to- A cloud of dust was coming towards wards Anstruther, and then stood them at railroad speed, and at first hesitating, her lips trembling and her they flattered themselves that Horsesweet eyes full of unshed tears.

"What is it, Kitty? Do you want to cordon and were coming to their recut for him?" She tried to answer, but no sound from the cloud were Chilcotens, reckcame from her parted lips.

less whooping devils, painted as none of the white men had ever before seen "Shall she cut for you, Frank?" "Will you, Miss Clifford-Kitty?" Indians painted in British Columbia, and he held out his hand to her. For their greasy locks powdered with a moment the boy and girl stood there swansdown, and eagle's plumes droophand in hand before that altar of ing from their heads to half way be chance, forgetful of the world and tween their shoulders. reckless of the betrayal of their se-

It was a strange betrothal, but such and then like a flight of starlings they it seemed to all who saw them. In a diverged, following their leader in silence which could be felt, the girl's single file in a wild circuit round the white hand began to move uncertain- building, brandishing their weapons ly over the pack, touching a card here and discharging them in mid career. and another there, as if afraid to In spite of the pace at which they

The others had drawn their lots at and one was so well-aimed that it once. To them it seemed that min- smashed through a chest of drawers utes elapsed whilst that little hand behind which Rolt was kneeling; but wandered over the table, and each one of the Indians' horses pitched on the wandered over the table, and each one of the Indians' horses pitched on the little hand before its rider could were could before its rider could be a co man prayed in his own fashion that its head, and before its rider could

she might choose aright. At last, like a child who fears to see found him. the knife, she shut her eyes, and "Only the canter past, I fancy, Al," clutching a card, held it up to Anstru- said Rolt, coolly, blowing the smoke ther, over whose face a proud smile out of his barrels. "Where is Anstru- OIL DRILLERS AT spread as bright and genuine as day- ther?"

"Thank you, dear. You have saved came upstairs. He hasn't been up my honor. You don't mind if I spoil here to see the show. He's up to his your pack, Mrs. Rolt. I shall want neck in them trunks of his, I reckon." this card by and by more than you

will," and kissing it, he put it into his breast pocket. But Kitty caught at his hand and Jim glanced quickly through the

cried to him to show it to her. "Another time, dear. It is the best already loping back to their lines. card in the world for me." Show it to wall and left the room quietly.

her waist, half led, half carried, her to Mrs. Rolt.

"Take her away now. For God's sake take her away!" he said, and Mrs. Rolt led Kitty sobbing from the

"Oh, Mary! Mary! I have killed bim. Frank-"

But Frank Anstruther stood back from the weak pleading hands, and was the only face left in it on which there was no sign of sorrow.

"When the door closed, he sat down on the edge of the table and began to roll a cigarette. ain't putting up a job on us?"

"No, Al. There it is," and he showed him the two of hearts. "Holy smoke! The two-spot! She couldn't have drawed a lower if she'd tried to!"

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The drilling is now going on, in as the two women left the room, his Baggage, Storage and Forwarding Agents. For limestone rock, and the indica-Phone 301 tions of oil are apparent as depth the limestone rock and oil sands will be encountered bearing out the Chief Comrissioner of Lands and Works for a the predictions of the experts who reported on the property.

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