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THREE CHAPTERS.

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THE first of the three is Acts XIX, 21-29:—

After these things were ended, Paul purposed in the spirit, when he had passed through Macedonia and Achaia, to go to Jerusalem, saying, After I have been there, I must also see Rome.

So he sent into Macedonia two of them that ministered unto him, Timotheus and Erastus; but he himself stayed in Asia for a season.

And the same time there arose no small stir about that way.

For a certain man named Demetrius, a silversmith, which made silver shrines for Diana, brought no small gain unto the craftsmen;

Whom he called together with the workmen of like occupation, and said, Sirs, ye know that by this craft we have our wealth.

Moreover, ye see and hear, that not alone at Ephesus, but almost throughout all Asia, this Paul hath persuaded and turned away much people, saying that they be no gods, which are made with hands:

So that not only this our craft is in danger to be set at nought; but also that the temple of the great goddess Diana should be despised, and her magnificence should be destroyed, whom all Asia and the world worshipeth.

And when they heard these sayings, they were full of wrath, and cried out, saying, Great is Diana of the Ephesians!

And the whole city was filled with confusion: . . .

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The second chapter is a collection of passages which appeared in the *New York Times* and the *New York Tribune* in the course of the year 1871:—

The arrest of William M. Tweed aroused deep indignation in the slums.

Tweed's appearance in public for the last years resembled the appearance of a monarch among his subjects.

The rabble used to gather around Tweed's carriage, cheered and threw up their hats, and were answered with a shower of cash, which was but a sample of the larger donations to come.

The dismay among Tweed's followers at the news of his downfall was speedily followed by such demonstrations of wrath that riots were feared.

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The third and last chapter is an Associated Press despatch from Pittsburg that appeared in several of the metropolitan papers the day after the announcement was made that the United States Government had instituted proceedings against the Steel Trust:—

Pittsburg, October 26.—When reports of the Steel Trust prosecution reached Pittsburg this afternoon financiers and steel men were astonished.

Probably the greatest dismay and apprehension exist among the Carnegie philanthropies in this city. The Carnegie Institute, the libraries, the Carnegie Technical and the Margaret Morrison schools, the Carnegie pension system, the Carnegie Hero Fund Commission, and others representing probably \$30,000,000 would be affected should the Government succeed in dissolving the Steel Corporation.

These philanthropies are supported by 5 per cent. first mortgage bonds. Should the subsidiaries of the Steel Corporation be regrouped the effect is problematical.

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Now, if the First and Second Chapters are read over again, it will be found that the Third illumines them, and they illumine the Third.

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