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the heart in this very spot, whither he had tracked her with her lover. Don are equal to them all. Madam, a delicate Juan managed to escape, and the hus-band disappeared, probably in pursuit. piece of work still lies before you." "Tell me: I shall not shrink from it." Neither of them have ever been heard "You must be a listener to one of the of since, so perhaps they succeeded in between Van Blarcom, an Checketts." "I must-I must! I will watch for ar

exact story ?"

cut down long ago."

as he stepped inside.

from the prosecution ?

the room and banging the door.

into our calculations, I believe.'

cross-examination."

the North River."

all over. I see signs of it already."

"I have been thinking," said Check-

etts, slowly, "that in case anything un-

foreseen should turn up at the trial, or

otherwise, it would be as well to dispose

of all evidences that migt confirm any

possible suspicions against ours lves. Lawrence is defended by Bellerblow, you

"To what evidences do you refer ?"

Blarcom. The boat we are in at present

is so heavily freighted that every bit of useless lumber must be thrown over-

of the sake still in my possession.

about ghosts.

the arbor.

he said.

Baron von Schenkle-I am simply Bing, the detective. You may have heard of ghost. By the way, do you know the me before, and no doubt will recollect naving seen mo.

While he was speaking, he removed "Only the outline. Some ten years before Davenport purchased the property the big mustache and pointed beard and a jealous husband shot his wife throug i put them in his pocket.

"I recognize you !" cried the astonished Davenport. "I remember hearing you give evidence in a celebrated case some time back." "That is so. The great commercial

house of which you are a member was among the many which the swindlers

"Whatever witnesses are present, I will be one of them."

"Of course you will. That is precisely the proof I came here prepared to offer you-the direct evidence of your own

"And who else is to be present ?" "" "As many as the room will accommodate without danger of discovery. Say four altogether. Myself and one of

my men; you and-let me see-Lieutenaat Gwynne." "Do you know young Gwynne? 1 curcely think he is av in the Li rary. These I caused to be re-"Oh? isn't he? Waiting like a raging lion to get at whoever injured his friend. Trust me; I'll arrange all that. And now listen. When that Checketts re-

to forget the man who arrested him for the railway attair, and got him five years'

Mr. Bing donned the aristocratic mus-

formation you hat giffen me," he added,

as the servant entered the library to con-

new-maner whereon his chows rested

He did not in the least attempt to check

the phenomenon. He was simply grate-

Grateful! Yes, at last. And for what?

Tears! He had never experienced grati-

tude for his immense financial success,

nor for his wonderful good fortune, nor

for the birth of his children, nor for the

thousand on lone circumstances that all

his life had combined to cover him with

triumph and satisfaction as with a

ibility. But those tears-those rare-

the weight from his soul. Precious tears,

cars that in your crestal mirror he was

or with face to face with a fool? He acknowledged the faithfulness of the re-

flection. He owned, for the first time,

that he saw himself as he was-in the

crossness of his pride, in the rags of his

indition, in the beggary of his wealth, in

All his boasted strength, and power.

im from falling a prey to the cunning

evices of cruel rogues, or from flinging inself over the dark abyss of misery hither they had led him. How

retchedly mean, how unutterably con-

zht. The veriest simpleton upon earth

was a Solomon who sould sit in judgment

over his folly and his sin. Richard Davenport, millionaire, had

"Papa, I have knocked three twee

He took the cup without to ming the

face to his daughter, and drained the

and feared you were ill. See, I was .

i rought you a nice strong cop of the

thinking it might relieve your

contents.

uptible did he now appear in his own

unremunerative employ."

duct him to the hall door.

the bell.

went on.

discontine.

s of the excellent kind usually found in the mansion of a gentleman-chairs, ouches, tables, and other similar effects being of solid walnut, beautifully carved. A till, massive book-case of unusual ze occupies a considerable space at one extremity. I learnt that this had been

la od here as a matter of convenience y Mr. Unvenjert, who himself has the eys. On getting it opened I found it to ontain a large number of bound and un-

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leger.

As thon wilt lovingly guard mine.

Unsulfied and untouched : while thou

Mine own shalt then again restore.

And from it Hope shall forge a bond

To keep each cherished memory fond.

He was grateful to the fair singer. The

off strains had soothed him. He was onscious that the skeletons had retreated

o a respectful distance-behind the win-

low drapery, most likely. But they still

cept peeping out from among the shadows

By and bye Mr. Van Blarcom strolled

dr. Davenport, with his secretary, retired

o the library to look over some corre-

son-hence. The two girls were thus left

"Edith," inquired the other, "you have

had my room prepared as close as passi-ble to the apartments of Mr. Checketts?"

"Yes, dear, You will be exactly op-

"And no one can pass in or out with-

"I think not-that is, when you are

"No," answered Kate, decidedly ; "I do

"And—and Mr. Van Blarcom?" "Still less. He inspires me with a seling I can hardly describe, unless I

d more on a first acquaintance. Oh,

Ah !" ejaculated Edith, with a kind of

Women always have drawn and always

ill draw comparisons; it is in their

ature. And our two heroines (we boast

two, you see), being but women after all,

t to smoke a cigar on the lawn, and

and grinning hideously.

a their own society.

posite them?

all it fear.

ornidor-

calked in

HORISE CARTINE.

the morning. I think we are on the

Her heart was palpitating with excite-

nent and her brain reviewing the curious incumstance in a bundred lights long

alter Mr. Van Blarcom and Mr. Checketts

CHAPTER VII.

were sunk in the land of dreams, -

awake.

out my hearing?

"I shall be awake."

jealous," smiled Edith.

un and Reginald?

"Do you not like that man ?"

The alght must wane, and morn unfold

My parting kiss abide with thee,

To link our hearts more tenderly,

Her beams in yet a little while,

And patient love will then behold

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Pill give thee back thy kiss once more,

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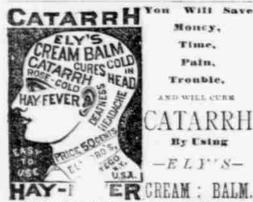
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occasion. But I do not see how just now. "You are indeed a charming acquisition Let me think. o our circle, Miss Raymond," added Mr.

"I believe I can put you in the way of doing so. While you have been engaged inside the enemy's camp I have not been idle on the ontskirts. In fact I have made a discovery, in doing which I was very nearly discovered myself. But not quite-not quite. Yesterday afternoon I climbed the wall and sneaked about the grounds of Davenport Lodge, in hopes of some interesting trifle turning and it did.' "What was it "

of victory will be yours, madam, and not

mine. The clearness of head and inflexi-

bility of purpose you display under cir-cumstances that might well cause your

of our success. The difficulties of the

task imposed by your devotion are not yet over; but I feel convinced that you

utter prostration will be the prime rea

"Well, I nearly came face to face with our two gentlemen in earnest discussion ; and if they had not been greatly absorbed. and I extremely nimble in dodging behind a friendly tree, I should have found myself in a pretty pickle. As it was, a slight sound or a shadow disturbed them, for they stopped short and looked roand suspiciously. Then I heard Mr. Van om say, 'We are getting imprudent, Cherketts; some of the servants may be prowling about. Let us walk round to the baunted bower; it is quiet enough there.' They strolled down a by-path, where I dared not follow, so I made tracks and got off the grounds forthwith. Trespansers might be prosecuted, you KLOW.

the subject this moraing, and, growing virtuously indignant, told him imperiousventure ?" at do you gather from the ad.

"I thought he seemed to admire you. "I gather that when Van Blarcom and I never saw him more agreeable to a lady bis satellite take a turn in the garden before dinner, to sharpen their appetites, before-not even me, But I am not they generally make for the haunted "I would far sooner have his indifferhower. Do you happen to know the ace than his admiration," exclaimed ate, warmly, "I may be prejudiced; at I never beheld a man whom I disexact situation of that arbor ?'

"I do not; but I will soon find out." "I would, by all means. And you must contrive to be there on the occasion of ith, what a difference there is between their next visit to the bower in question. should recommend you to take careful bearings of the place, and decide before-hand how you may best secrete yourself so as to hear what passes without being abserved. Recollect, you don't want to see, only to hear." "It shall be done. If they go there

again I shall not be absent." When the interview terminated, Bing

with admiration in his eves. "By Jupiter!" he soliloquized. "That omain is worth a thousand of the ordinary kind. She'll run those two scoundrels to earth as sorely as my name's Bing. Young Davenport may think himself mighty fortunate in having such a clever, plucky little champion for a wife. He ought to be fond of her, for she de-

his honest admiration of Kate, Mr. Van Blarcom was dwelling upon the same theme in a totally different spirit. For the first time in his selfish and sensual existence a gleam of genuine passion had shot through the dark recesses of his heart. We shrink from calling it love, and yet by what other name shall we define it? Fain would we believe that love can take no root in natures so impure and unworthy-that truth and innocence from the only atmosphere in which it can flourish. Alas' history in the past and facts in the present forbid as from cherishing that comforting delusion. Ere now it has been the fate of evil men to love with a consuming fervor that, by-and-by, grew into intolerable agony from its very hopelessness. There is no peace, no beauty, no gentle influence in such a love. Ofttimes it is fraught with painful, and not unfrequently with ter-rible consequences. For as the tender mercles of the wicked are cruel, so does powerful love, surging in the breast of a had man, become a fierce and violent sentiment even in its tenderest aspect. "If that girl were only Edith," he re-

flected, as he paced his chamber. "But what is the use of 'iffing'? The daughter of the millionaire will have to become Mrs. Van Blarcom-there is no mistake about that. I have worked hard for the golden prize, and I don't mean to lose is for less substantial considerations, how-ever agreeable tempting. Strange, though that I have never felt so intensely suit ten by a woman before I met Miss Rav-

wiping one another effectively from the face of the earth. The spirit of the murcontrived to victimize." dered lady is said to hover perpetually in "Well, what is the matter now ?"

and around the bower, and I never heard "Something far more serious. Your whole fortune is in jeopardy-total ruin that anyone was very anxious to dispute her right of undivided possession until overhangs your family-your very life is we took a fancy for funigating the place with the fragrant weed." not safe

The detective spoke in a low, thrilling whisper, as he placed his hand on have nport's sleeve. The old man turned "I wonder Davenport has not had it white to the ling. "I don't. He is in no way nervous Dont speak in riddles," he faltered.

By this time the two men had entered "Explain." "I am doing so. Mr. Davenport there is a devilish plot, in good working order It was a small, leafy bower at the end against you and all that belongs to you. of a short signing grove of trees, situated in a rather neglected and weady corner At this moment you are being made to appear the instrument of your own downwhich Dibble, the gardener, never visi-When the glory has departed from ted more than he could help. The interyour name — when your health and energy sink beneath the weight of intolior of the arbor contained a worm-caten, rustic bench, and an oak table of the erable grief-when your power and subsame design, half-covered with most. A stance pass from your feeble grasp into chill and earthy air pervaded the place, the hands of one who has labored long even on that warm June day, and Mr.

and cunningly to effect that transfer-all Van Blarcom gave a perceptible shuider the world will profess to see nothing but retributive justice descending upon a wieled son and a vindictive father." "Ugh ! it's like walking into a tomb," was all that came from Daven-"As silent and as safe," replied Checkport's blue lips. etts. "A man may open his moath here

without talking in parables. Is there any danger of old Davenport withdrawing "Don't try and work yourself into a passion with me, Mr. Davenport; but pay the same earnest attention to my "None whatever. I spoke to him on words that you would to those of your physician or lawyer. I am a professional thief-taker, and you are not; therefore you must not profess to understand my ly it was his duty to do so, upon which he set up his obstinate back, as I knew he usiness better than I do. Your son would do, and informed me that I might just as innocent of the crime with which he is charged as is the first stranger you just as well avoid wasting my breath. might encounter in the streets. He is He cut the conversation short by leaving absolutely and entirely ignorant of the whole thing. I am here to prove this to "The old fool will break up when it is you beyond the shadow of question, and "So much the better for us. We shall to put my finger upon the men who are really guilty. If I do this you can atford to say "Thank you." reap our harvest all the sooner. The probability of his speedy decease entered

"Prove it then-quick, quick I" said the old man, hoarsely. Bing stuijed.

"Then you actually will be glad to earn that your only son, however much he may have otherwise offended you, is not a vile criminal, staining your name with a disgrace that can never be wiped away ?

remember; and Bellerblow is a devil at "Prove it, Bing. You say you can. Only prove it." Davenport's tones shook with implor-

"In the the first place, I have the key ng anguish. "I will, sir; and if you don't believe "Idiot! I thought you had flung it into me now you will to-morrow morning, when I shall have the extreme satisfac-"There was no horry. But I'll hand it over to you, and you can dispose of it yourself my time is more occupied than tion of seeing the real culprits funder arrest. The actual forgery was committed yours. Thea there are a few memor-

The detective paused, and Davenport anda relating to the roundabout way by from the world which could never lift eant eagerly forward, grasping a table. which we got the check cashed at Mon-"John Checketts, otherwise known to treal; the acknowledgment that you owe tributes of repentance, tokens of a new-found spring of peace and hope! He was grateful for you. What did the old man the police as Darley Crowe, convict."

me a large sum of money, payable on The limp pyramid on Davenport's head strughtened itself visibly, and certain contingencies, and, finally, a document held by you which would comppointed heavenward. "But the instigator and prime mover romise my fair fame should it fall into other hands."

"You mean the draft you once forged upon my own bankers?" of the whole abominable affair," continued Bing, with intense deliberation, "was and is-"I do. That error occured a long time

"Who ?" shouted his excited hearer. ago, since which we have learned to un-"Speak, man, can't you ?" derstand one another. There should be "Hush! not so loud. You disturb my no sore feeling upon that point, Mr. Van

the blindness of his wisdom. train of thought. I was studying how I and self-confidence would not have saved might best accommodate the shock to VOUT DETVCS. "Never mind my nerves. Who is the

board. For once in our lives, at least, we other ?" must trust to the principles of mutual "Your accepted future son-in-law, Mr.

honor and good-faith. The papers must be destroyed, one and all, and the key Gerald Van Blarcom.". Davenport's mouth dropped ere it must be buried beneath the North River ould give vent to an exclamation, and he sank voiceless into a chair. It flashed "I agree with you-it must be done. cross him that the most renowned de-I am going to New York to-day, imme li tective of the day would "name" no one ately after dinner, and shall not return without terrible strong reasons.

been crouching so long in the sackcloth until to-morrow evening. Then I will Bing helped himself to a chair, and sat and ashes of seat reproach, that the brins pay you a late visit in your rooms, where astride it with his arms folded upon the blisters upon the newspaper were dry you will wait up for me, as usual; and when a soft hand fell upon his shoulder back. we will together burn the whole proofs of and a sort voice said to him-

"That's so, Mr. Davenport," he said. any connection between us. As to the "The chain of evidence against those men is complete. The object of the crime I key, I will get rid of it effectually." "So be it. I shall breathe more freely will make apparent to you. When your son incurred your displeasure by his afterwards. One never knows what may happen as long as one is under the shadetermination to marry in defiance of your wishes, Van Blarcom (who, by-thedow of a police-court. It is well to reduce all risks to a minimum. Dear me ! Why, Mr. Van Blarcom, what on earth is the of) concocted the forgery s

"Thank you, dear," he said, presently junction with Chacketts so that the ves-

moved, as likewise the shelves, and saw that the book-case would accommodate four or even six possens with case if they stood upright. With a gimlet I bered turns, just you pack him off again for a several holes in the upper part of the solid deeps, through which, when cond few hours on some errand or other, and I will step round in the evening, on the and entire room was clearly visit a quist, and have a look at those norms of also removed a considerable portion of . In the meanwhile 1 think I had the troof the sperare boing concealed. ter evaporate. Ti he were to come in by the heavy cornice round the upper ow, and I saw by the turn of an evelash. e be. By this means air and sound were the recognised me, I should be comready admitted to the interior, where of to male him on the spot, and s the mercest whisper from the outside could be distinctly heard." if the most beautiful game I have had for a long time. He would know me again, I suppose, for he is scarcely likely

We will now resume the story of that memorable night on our own wards,

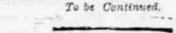
About a quarter to twolve Joint Check-cits (as we shall continue to call him entered his sitting room, and threw hims of upon a class with a grant of mnovtache and pointed beard, and then touched

Confound that old humbug !" he paut-"Let me be shown out by Plash," he tered; "to send me thirty nules on a said, "as becomes the rank and dignity of Daron von Schenkle, Look out for me again at eight o'clock. Saire, I haf tool's errand directly after dinner. I'm as fired as a dog. Never mind you will soon be paid out for that, my loy, and for all the petty tyrannies you have inis honor to sunk you for ze valuable inflicted upon the since I have had the lionor of being your humble servantshil most humble, mest willing, most in On the departure of his unexpected dustrious, most disinterested servant. visitor Mr. Davenport seated himself at Bah! how I despise the purse-proud, a table and leaned his head upon his two nigger - driving, puffed-up, elephantine hands. A mighty revolution was taking counter-jumper! Fancies he is a gentle place within him-a torrent of pent-up man, of course. Faugh! makes me sick." The secretary interupted his vituperaemotions was breaking loose and over-

whelming him. He was aware that his tion to spat on the ground in the excess burning eyes grew wet, that they filled of his mausen. with moisture, that the big drops began "And that fine 'haw-haw' son of his, to fall pit-pat upon a copy of the day's

Mister Lawrenco-Mister, forsooth ! Wait until he gets his curls cropped and wears a coat with a number. He will be on my level then, or rather below it, since ful for the relief it brought him, and Crowe is dead and Checketts has risen like a phomix from his ashes. Yes, Checketis will be above him. Checketts will be an honest, a rich, a respectable nemb r of society who cannot be expected to saille sweetly upon convicts. te won't be so mighty condescending after he has done his 'bit.' He won't ay "Morning, Checketts," or "How d'ye do Checketts," without stopping to glance time. And i shand answer with a Sir

Such things he had always regarded as d a 'Mistor,' looking like a hound gratethen dural outcome of his own splendid d for any stray pat of encouragement oin its young master. Oh, no ! It will those almost impossible tears! The sweet rain of blyssed healing to his breaking be his turn to lick my hand. He will be gial enough by-and-bye to get my little heart that he had praved for these days scraps of luch I and Van Blarcom may and days past in the night, when he had rolled his hot and sleepless head thoose to fling in his way -for of course we shan't let the poor begger actually upon its pillow, and, like Job, carsed the want. I hope we have some conscience our in which he was born -in the morn ing when he arose with a weary deter-mination to hide his crushing anguish left, just about enough to swear by-he



Columbia River Salmon Fisheries, "tra

The San Francisco Bulletin describes the Columbia river salmon lisheries as in an unfavorable condition. Nor is the scarcity of fish casual. There used to be runs in April, May, June and July. This year there was no run in the first three months mentioned. In ten years, it seems, the salmon fishing boats have increased from about 500 to 1,500. Canneries have multiplied and the river has been overtished. "Evidently the salmon nterest on the Columbia," says the Bulletin, "is taking the same course as that of the Sacramento and with like resuits But for the United States hatchery on McCloud river, the Sacramento salmon would be a scarce article in our market. Artificial propagation has to some extent made up for the ravages of he fisheries and the canneries. It has been a constant fight between the State Commissioners and the fishermen to seep the latter in check and to prevent them from fishing during the close season."

Roll Call at the Opera Comigne.

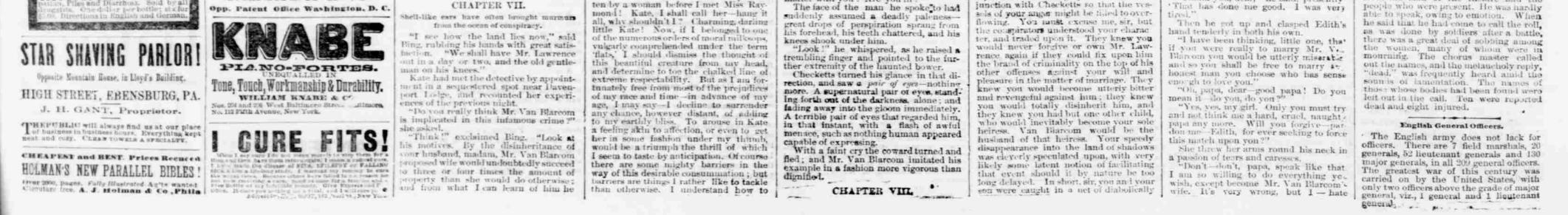
There was a melancholy roll call of the company of the Opera Commigna in the flucatre des Varietes. M. Carvalho and his son arrived, and the manager took his seat on the stage amid acclamations from the staff of the theatre and the people who were present. He was hardly

served Mr. Checketts enter the room acing hers. Presently her quick ear aught another step, and this time the eld of vision offered by the keyhole intained the form of Mr. Van Blarcom, e knew his chamber was on the next or, and she expected to see him mount other flight; but he did not. He ent straight to the door of the secretary's artments, turned the handle, and As he did so she saw Mr. Checketts inadvance to meet him, and for one ief second beheld his face. There was gin of familiarity upon it, and he had is finger on his lips as though to in-The two men remained closeted tother for three-quarters of an hour. Kate timed them by her watch. "It's very strange," she pondered; "Bing must know of this the first thing

serves it by Jupiter, she does !" While Mr. Bing was thus emphasising door. In a little while she heard a step, and, peeping through the keyhole, ob-

matter with you ? Are you ill ?"

contrived to dissect the moral, intel-lectual, and physical characteristics of two gentlemen with considerable inlooked after the retiring form of Kate nuity, very much-need it be said ? the disadvantage of Mr. Van Blarcom. is the sisters retired to rest that evening. alith pointed to a door at the end of a "That," she whispered, "leads by a ght of steps to the terrace. It is but rely used. I have withdrawn the bolts, o whenever you wish you have only to arn the key and you may find yourself autside. You said you would require anrestricted egress and ingress, and I behought myself of that door. It is not far rom your own room either, you notice." Alone, Kate was in no hurry to get to bed. She extinguished her light, and, taking a chair, seated herself close by the



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