Biterature.

**TEMPTATION:** 

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The

ity, as I threatened ; or better still, I can an' dere's mighty little fresh a'r in dat ere repay that poor deserted wife for all he tower. I's feared de young 'un will suffer a singular dream Mr, Watson had last has made her suffer, by making her child mightily shet up in sich a tight place as night fills his mind with apprehensions the sole heiress to all my wealth. I'll dat.' Lady of Ashurst. think of it, and in time, perhaps, I can "He'll soon be in a tighter one." mut. bring down my pride to stand the pres-ence of the beggar's brat beneath my bly: "I have no choice left me, Jupe.

roof." CHAPTER VII.

ENTRAPPED.

Overwhelmed with rage and anguish, impulses as he once possessed, had been "Who-I, marse? I'd cut my han' off Judge Ashley returned home immediately indurated by the large criminal practice sooner than do such a thing." "Very well; I know that I can trust any provocation from him in the state after the conclusion of the interview with he had conducted for so many years. He cherished a profound and cynical you Jupiter." Hunter.

contempt for human nature, yet he held The old negro left the room on his er- must have thrown him into. Badly as This marriage, on which he had set his the opinion of the world at far more than rand, and in half an hour returned with a Leon Ashley has acted, he is not so bad heart, which he had urged on without re. its true value, and he writhed at the cup of steaming coffee, and a plate of as that," gard to the wishes of his son, had set the thought of what the guests bidden to the toaste, which he hoped his master might "I think with you, Judge Ashley,

exclusion of his sister and her son, and on the watch for him. I will at least save

deeply than she did. She shall not bene- and thrown in the county jail till his trial

cutting them both off, and give it to char. "But de weather's very warm, marster,

Leon must either stifle there or in the

fit by this act. I will make another will can come on."

naturally a hard man, and such tender house."

seal of ruin on the reckless young man, wedding were at that moment thinking be induced to take, for he felt assured and he swore a dreadful oath that he and saying of his renegade son. that the Judge must need food after the replied Lester, respectfully, "and it Judge Ashley continued to look over exciting and sleepless night he had pass- seems useless to linger longer here, since would never forgive him for the dreadful the papers contained in the box, more to ed. deception that he had practised upon him- employ himself and gain some distraction Ilis thoughtful care was not entirely refuge at Ashurst. Come, Watson, let self and the devoted woman who lay in for his troubled mind, than to obtain in- unrewarded, for his master mechanically us resume our search in some other dirformation from them, for he was already lifted the toast to his lips, and absently ection. Perhaps when we go back to her deserted home almost in a dying con- familiar with their contents, swallowed several morsels; suddenly they dition. The hours rolled heavily away, till phy- seemed to chooke him, and he pushed the

He bitterly realized that his only sor, sical exhaustion compelled him to seek plate away, while a deeper pallor over. has returned there quite safe." whose handsome person, acute intellect bodily repose, even if his tortured mind spread his face. "I trust we may," replied and popular manners had rendered him the pride of his heart, had been so utterly as he was, on the outside of his bed, and as he was, on the outside of his bed, and been so utterly as he was, on the outside of his bed, and as he was, on the outside of his bed, and been so utterly as he was, on the outside of his bed, and been so utterly as he was, on the outside of his bed, and been so utterly as he was, on the outside of his bed, and been so utterly as he was, on the outside of his bed, and and on looking from the open window, beta his face. The cause of this was soon evident, for and on looking from the open window, "Yes you will find him Lements disgraced by the events of the night, that poor old Jupiter, overcome with drowsi- two men were seen approaching the he would never again be able to hold up ness, nodded in the hall, waking up at in- house. tervals and wondering if his master never The father, who believed he had nerve Ashley, feverishly ; for the most earnest his head in the State in which his fore- meant to retire for the night. enough to play the part of the stoic, trem. desire of his heart was to rid himself of fathers had so long lived in honor and re. Everything was hushed in the repose bled and grew cold; but when a heavy their presence, that he might at once which falls upon a quiet country house- knock was struck upon the door of the proceed to such an investigation as would spect.

Then the thought that Leon might be hold in the deep silence of the night, and adjoining room, which he used as an office satisfy the terrible doubts which had arrrested, thrown into prison, and con-summer insects which made the air vocal "I will receive these men myself; do demned to a disgraceful punishment, came with their Liliputian chorus. The lamp you remain here; but as you value the as wormwood to to his haughty soul; but flickered in its socket, and died out, yet safety of the prisoner in that place, make promising to send a messenger with

the danger that menaced his son did not the miserable father lay with wide-stretch- no noise while they are with me. They tidings of Ernest, so soon as anything soften his feelings toward him. No-it ed eyes gazing out upon the darkness. have scarcely come to arrest him at this was heard of his whereabouts. but embittered him the more deeply to upon his ear, and he raised up, listened have a warrant issued, even if my neighreflect that Leon merited the sentence keenly, and then fell back muttering with bors were very anxious to lay violent which might be passed upon him, and to 'bated breath : hands on my son.

his inflexible spirit there was little differ-to the house; some one who knows that to wer door, dropped it in his pocket, and ence between that and bearing the legal gold was lately placed in my escritoire. composing his features as well as possible Liniment internally and externally. consequences of his crime.

Oh, my God ! can it-can it be that wretch- went into the next room to meet his un. Many testify to the above facts. When he entered his apartment he ed-wretched boy come hither to con- welcome visitors.

found an old grey-haired negro, who had summate his degradation by committing No sooner had the door closed on him, a theft!" married a man who did not belong to been his personal attendant from boyhood The suspicion at once took the form of the keyhole, and softly whispered : sitting up for him. Jupiter was extreme- certainty, and he lay for many moments "Marse Leon, how is it wid ye? Is ye marry him? She has a title and he has ly astonished at the appearance of his completely unnerved. By a rare chance, mos' stifled in dat ere hole ?" not," remarked one gentleman to anmaster at so early an hour, and he hurri-massage before referred to, had been left "Open the door, if you can. If I stay I expect she preferred to have a husally asked: "Hi, Marse Judge, what bring you back passage before referred to, had been left open; the library door was also ajar, and there much longer I believe I shall be done for. Oh! I am sure that I am dying done for. Oh! I am sure that I am dying without a husband," Gent's hand made Calf Congress; here afore de gran' supper's over? Is open window came distinctly to his ears. in this hot den." you sick? for you looks mighty white, Then he heard steps moving about in the "My dear young marster, I'd open de room with little caution, as if the burglar do' wid all my heart, but he's got de key, of value. Ayer's Sarsaparilla is conan' strange like." supposed the household to be wrapped in an, I can't do nothin' to help yer." "Yes, Jupe, I am sick at heart, and of slumbers too deep to be broken by his There was an impatient groan in re centrated and powerful; requires a sponse, and nothing further was said be- smaller dose, and is more effective, dose a sickness from which I shall never re- presence there. for dose, than any other Sarsaparilla. "His search will be vain," thought the tween them. cover. Bring me wine, and do not talk unhappy father, "for I removed the money In the meantime Judge Ashley careful- It is the best of all blood medicines. to me now ; I cannot bear it." to the tower before I set out for that fatal Iy closed the door of communications, and He sunk into a chair, and throwing his wedding. When he finds it's not in the admitted those he felt assured came there A bachelor uncle. to whom his piece arms over a table, rested his head upon secretary, will be venture thither in search with no friendly intent. In the elder man applied for advice on the question of he recognized the overseer of Arden choosing between two suitors, one of them in the attitude of a person complet. of it? "It would be like his reckless hardi place, and the younger one was George whom was rich and the other poor-the ely crushed by grief. hood to do so, but if he does, I will catch Lester. latter, of course, being the most ardent, Bewildered and anxious, though not him as a fox in a trap. I will lock him in He had vainly sought Ashley during the as well as the favorite lover-sententidaring to ask for further information in my den, and make sure of him. Then- early portion of the night, and then conhis master's present mood, the sable at. then 1 will play the part of Herod, or cluded to snatch a few hours' repose be- ously replied : "My dear, the question lish Goods, are very fine in Brutus toward that wretched being. I fore performing the errand he had under. being stripped of all illusory elements, tendant went on his errand ; but he stole believe that I can sternly assume the taken. your choice simply lies between love and a moment to run into the kitchen, where unctions of judge, jury, and executioner At daylight he was astir, and on de. beef. Now, love is an idea, while beef myself, sooner than suffer him to live to scending from his room he found the is a reality. Love you can get along the carriage driver was telling the horrorbring disgrace upon my name-to drag it overseer mounting his horse in a state of without; but beef you must have. stricken servants of the disgraceful dedown in the very mire of iniquity in which great excitement. A frightened looking Therefore make sure of your beef." nouement of the night. servant stood upon the steps, of whom he seems to revel." Jupiter listened in breathless interest. Revolving these terrible thoughts in his Lester inquired how Miss Arden has pass-All persons about to visit foreign mind, Judge Ashley lay perfectly still, ed the night, and whether he should go in lands, sailors, fishermen, lumbermen and and then asked bending all his perceptive powers to the search of her brother. The man answer-"Whar is marse Leon? I hope de aint miners should take with them a supply task of comprehending the movements of | ed : gone an' done nothin' to him " of Johnson's Anodyne Liniment. It is the person in the library. He heard "De nurse says Miss Grace is asleep "They didn't git a chance, for he run both for internal and external use and is stealthy steps moving across the floor, yit, but Marse Erny aint to be found no-

Let me hear it, at all events.

After a pause Watson said :

Judge Ashley sank on a seat in over-God help me! he has wounded me more him from the disgrace of being seized on whelming agitation ; he hoarsely gasped "Ernest missing! Are you surequite sure that it is so ?"

"He is certainly not to be found, and

for his safety." The Judge waved his hand and said : "He must be safe so far as Leon is concerned. No, no, my son would never

arisen in his own mind.

(To be continued)

His lips curled with scorn, even in that jail, and I am sure he would choose the dare to harm the brother, after so deephour of bitter suffering, but outraged tower in preference. At any rate, it is ly wounding the sister. I trust in God pride had even more to endure than my pleasure to keep him here, and you the poor boy may be found safe and un-

wounded feeling, for Judge Ashley was are to give no hint of his presence in this harmed ; he is a singular youth ; full of strange fancies and fantastical notions of honor ; but Leon would not listen to of excitement the event of last night

> state of his blood, an ugly scrofulous swelling or lump appeared on the injured limb. Horrible itching of the skin, with burning and darting pains through the lump, made life almost intolerable. The leg became enormously enlarged, and running ulcers formed, discharging great quantities of extremely offensive matter. No treatment was of any avail until the man, by Mr. LELAND'S direction, was supplied with AYER'S SARSAPA-RILLA, which allayed the pain and irritation, healed the sores, removed the swelling, and

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off befo' anybody had thought o' layin' then a key was placed cautiously in a lock, whars. He aint bin in his room dis night, worth it weight in gold. han's on him. I s'pose he mus' be someand as its click came to his ears, the un- an' nobody knows what's 'come o' him. whar about here, but I hope he won't stay happy father started, for the bitter con- Oh, Lord, ha' mercy on us, for we don't iction came to him that his son has pos- know what we's all a comin' to !" roun' long, 'case I heed say dat de persessed himself of a duplicate key to the Lester hastily descended the steps, and want of ventilation. The people have LUNCH BASKETS, SATCHELS; leese will be here airly to-morrow mornin' receptacle in which he usually kept his addressed the overseer : private hoards.

a-huntin, of him." Jupiter listened with horror to this suggestion, and he indignantly said :

Ashley had taken the precaution to re- tive that I shall see him immediaaely." "A.huntin' of him for what, I'd like to move the large sum of money deposited The man gloomily, regarded him, as he know. Miss Grace would rather cut off in the secretary in the tower, which had a strong patent lock upon it which he be- "The lad is nowhere to be found, and I park, 192; Clapham common, 100; Eppan' ef de other gal cares for him as she accomplished burglar. again. oughter, she won't do nothin' to him When he threw himself upon his bed, he "Why should you think so?" asked

nyther. You's a fine sarvant o' disfamily had left the door of this place partially Lester, appalled by the gloomy certainty open, and he now congratulated himself of his tones. Jack, to dar' to talk dat ere way 'bont de that he had done so. He would feign I can give you a reason that satisfies young marster. Git 'long wi' you, you sleep, and the robber would walk into the myself, but likely you won't think much

'ceitful nigga you.'' Jack fired up at this, and retorted :

"I aint no mo' 'ceitful den yerself, ole spring up, close the door upon him, and Jupe. I only tells de trufe, an' dat aint secure him sayin' no wrong-git 'long yerself, ef it These thoughts rapidly passed through ing last night about twelve o'clock, when recommended, but failed to get any ben-

the mind of the excited father; for after I heard a sound like the firing of pistols. efit, until a gentleman who was cured comes to dat.' Clenching his fist and shaking it at the a very few moments, the intruder had sat- I tried to make out in what direction it of rheumatism by Dr. Thomas' Electric speaker, the old man unwillingly retreat- isfied himself that the money had been came from, and I jumped up and looked Oil, told men about it. I began using ed, but he feared to remain longer lest removed. Then his stealthy steps were out of my window. Everything was so it both internally and externally, and his master's bell should be rung for him. heard crossing the narrow passage, which still that I thought I must have been before two bottles were used I was rad-When he returned with the wine, he lay between the two rooms, with extreme dreaming, so I went back to bed again. found Judge Ashley pacing the floor of caution. He had evidently removed his I was falling off into a sort of doze, when ically cured. We find it a household

the apartment with that iron tread only shoes, for there was no sound made by a strange sound came whizzing through medicine, and for croup, burns, cuts and used in the moments of deeply excited his light tread as he glided toward the my room; I opened my eyes and my hair bruises, it has no equal passion. He nearly filled a goblet with door of the Judge's room, and paused upon riz on my head, for as sure as I see you the sparkling fluid and hastily swallowed the threshold to listen for the regular standing there before me, I saw Ernest There is a family of seven persons in

trap unconsciously prepared for him; of it.

then, nothing would be easier than to

t. Jupiter stared at this, for his master surance that its inmate was asleep. was a temperate man; he felt sure the In his irrepressible agitation, the breath- and then he vanished away, and though I and they all sit at the same dinner table fever of his mind would increase by such ing was as heavy as if steeped in the called him he never answered. unusual excess, but he dared not express deepest slumber, and apparently reas- After that I couldn't rest in my bed, so his fears, At such a time as this, he knew sured by this Ashley entered the room, I dressed and walked up to the house. his master would brook no interference moved lightly across the floor, and sought Everything was quiet there, and after great grandmother, one grandfather, one from any one a drawer in the table of which the key of making a circuit of the grounds I went to grandmother, two fathers, two mothers, Judge Ashley presently said : "Go into the hall, Jupiter, and bring If anything had been wanting to confirm as day, but I saw nothing there to make one son, one son-in-law, one daughter, me the iron box in which my private the suspicions of his father this would me think the vision was real; so I con- one grandson, one great granddaughter, square room, open from Judge Ashley's partially open, and through this a hazy I saddled my horse and rode around the nephew, one uncle, one aunt, two great bedchamber, and communicating with no light penetrated which was sufficient for place again. I came here as soon as it aunts, one great grandaunt, one fatherother portion of the building. It extend- the intruder's purpose. Foiled in finding was day to ask for the young master, but in-law, one mother-in-law, one brother-in ed through the whole depth of the walls, the key, he glanced around, saw the open he wasn't in hs room, and hadn't slept law, one sister-in-law and two cousins. rising several jeet above the top of the door, and softly glided towards it. house, and was dimly lighted from above No sooner was he safely within the Putting all these things together, I am tower, than the Judge lifted himself, mighty uneasy in my mind; I'm afraid by a dome of painted glass. Shelves had once been placed around sprang toward the door with an agility he and young Ashley met last night, and age of all their ages is 51 years. Where the lower portion of the walls, and the re-mains of a circular staircase were still vis-years, and suddenly threw it too with all to an an of his mains of a circular staircase were still vis-the lower portion of the walls, and the re-years, and suddenly threw it too with all to an an of his the can hardly be, for I was in pursuit persons, all under one roof, which can ible where the stairs had been clamped his force; the spring closed, and before of Ashley all the earlier part of the night, to the wall. The explanation given of its Leon was aware that danger was upon him, for the purpose of settling a meeting beorigin was, that the first owner of Ashurst he found himself a prisoner to his outrag- tween them. I did not come up with him, had cultivated the science of astronomy, ed father. and the tower was built by him as an He glanced upward-there was no es- country. between was built by him as an cape that way; and in despair he threw cape that way; and in despair he threw down the roleau of gold he had already sake, for she'd never get over a fatal duel Cure, the Great Blood Purifier, has obsevatory. brought an iron box about a foot square, seized on, and fiercely demanded to be re- between these two. I am doubtful about Ashley's going off, and I scarcely know proved itself equal to this task. It is a and placed it on the table before his mas- leased. ter. With rigid lips and eyes aflame with No answer came, and then he struck what is to bo done next. What would most searching without being a violent wrath that burned within him, the Judge against the walls with violence; but they you advise, Mr. Lester? unlocked it, and then turning to the negro curtly said : unlocked it, and then turning to the negro he could effect a breach in them. In im-be could effect a breach in the in-be could effect a breach in the in-be could effect a breach in "You may go now, Jupiter, and listen potent rage he cursed and blasphemed in of the movements of his son after that delicate females as to the more robust to the gossip that is going on among the in a fearful manner, but still no answer wretched exposure last night! servants. I see that you are dying to came. It isn't likely ; Judge Ashley is a dreadknow what happened to night, but the Appalled by the silence, and exhausted ful stern man, and after such disgrace as disgraceful story will never be told from by his own violence, Ashley at length sunk the young man has brought on his name, Appalled by the silence, and exhausted ful stern man, and after such disgrace as well as a remedy for it. my lips." "I know it a'ready, marster; I heerd it he fate which seemed to have overtaken father than anyone else. We will try it, at any it helplessly upon the floor, moaning over he would be more afraid of meeting his an' my poor ole heart bleeds for you; ideed it does. But sha'n't none o' we ser-vants go out and find out what's come o' as the incarnation of Fate itself, and as he as the incarnation of Fate itself, and as the incarnation of Fate i him ?" listened to the violence of his son an ex- Suppose we go around by the pond : poor miserable thereby. Alexander Burns, A heavy frown gathered on the father's pression of grim determination deepened Ernest may have drowned himself there, of Coburg, was cured after suffering brow, and he icely responded : upon his face with every passing hour. Aroused by the uproar his young mas-ter made, Jupiter ventured to come in, " It matters not what his fate is. He is no longer a son of mine. I have renounc. ed him; there go." and the Judge ordered him to bring a cide for such a thing as this. He motioned imperiously to the old light. He placed a candle on the mantle- The horse Lester had ordered now made man to leave him ; and he dared not dispiece, and then crouched down in a cor- its appearance, and he mounted and obey a mandate given in his master's pre-sent mood. Jupiter moved slowly toward ful face before him, and a creeping dread lowed by Watson. It was half a mile from the door, passed the threshold, and then pausing with tears streaming over his black and wrinkled face, he imploringly Through all these long hours Judge Ash-and on the other shaded by a group of ley spoke not once; but when the first golden willows. glimmer of dawn crept into the apart. There were evidences that the grass said : "Oh. marse Judge, think twice afore you do dis awful thing, Let mercy come ment he turned to Jupiter and sternly upon the terrace had been trampled in atwhen you an' de judgement, as you hopes for it yersel in de las' great day." As he finished speaking he closed the door precipitately, but he did not go to the kitchen, as he had been commanded; his destruction. You understand me, gain a clue to Arden's fate in that direcbut he sat down just outside the door, to Jupiter ?" tion, the two rode on to Ashurst. be at hand in case his master should need "Ye-es, marster, I b'heves I does. But When the master of the house appear--but de ossifers will be here p'raps, caze ed before them with that stormy expres-The faithful old creature, who had car. dey'll naterally come to dis place fust to sion of despair and resolution upon his ried Leon in his arms, who had taught look arter Marse Leon. Why not give features, Lester attributed his suffering to him to ride, hunt, and fish, could not now him a chance to escape at once ?" the disgrace his son had brought upon bear the comments on his conduct, which he felt sure he should hear among the "There is but one chance to escape dis. him, for he well knew the indomitable servants, so he sat down in darkness and grace left to him, and that he shall have pride of the man before him.

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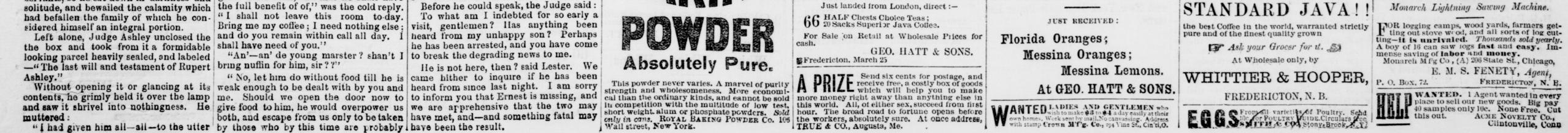
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