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CHAPTER XII-Continued. "It is all coming," she said to herself, and setting her teeth together, braced herself as bravely as she could for what she felt certain was to fol-

"Do you remember," the knight went on, quietly, "that when you first saw him you showed a great aversion to him? I saw your glance, and evidently his aspect was repulsive to you, partly no doubt because of the villainous red hair he had assumed for a disguise. I can assure you he looked much better without it. Indeed, for a he was shut up in the carpenter's cabin, heavily ironed. He could, however, move his hands about, and lift them. Two men were placed outside, to guard him. They looked in on him last night at about twelve. You know how rough it was. A mattress had been arranged for him on the floor. He seemed to be lying on the mattress seemed to be lying on the mattress he had been amusing himself over his quietly enough. This morning at six the watch entered and found him less been amusing himself over his listening to weeping in the neighbor- lously beautiful land in the world,"

"Dead!" cried Lady Peakman, sitt-

"Yes. He managed during the night there quite cold. It is a horrible thing.

of conflicting emotions then surged through her mind! The man was dead whom she had believed to be dead before. Twice dead for her, each time, alas, most welcomely. This man, whom she had once loved, and yet whose resurrection had shaken her with a horror which was the most awful exwretch! Gone to his account wicked and unrepentant. Dead? Ay, what a Her secret is buried with him. She was unconscious of Sir Benjamin's presence, waiting for her eyes to open, and her lips to speak. He ad-

dressed her. She turned her face and looked at him with a strange look he tity were sufficient without producing became clear of passengers. Still Lord could not understand. She took his the remains, which, in any case, would Pendlebury walked up and down. At hand and clasped it nervously, warmly. England. Thus the last faint possibil- coran emerged. He glanced round "This terrible business has exhausted you," he said. "There now, lie down and be quiet awhile."

own thoughts. strange, unlooked-for deliverance. It was scarcely possible to believe in it certain that the danger was removed, that only she and God held the secret, that her husband's and her daughter's honour were safe, seemed incredible, unreal. Yet the sense of relief gradually won its way over her mental and physical frame. And slowly it brought with it a blessed humbling influence. Turning to her Bible, she cast her eye over psalm after psalm, and words which humanity has ever found to be which humanity has ever found to be a constant.

mayest be feared.

My soul waiteth for the Lord more than they that watch for the morning. I say, more than they that strong effect. Mrs. Belldoran's reasone. It is precious unpleasant."

deny me the right to marry my out that wife again. Any way, there will be strong effect. Mrs. Belldoran's reasone. It is precious unpleasant."

part of China which borders on Rus-If we say that out of this dreadful sentment was softened. experience this women by-and-by came almost agonising. She was legally forth altered, softened, chastened, freed from this man whom she still the dear little lady to wnom you are a "warning signal to the British, even life passed away. It died, with all its evil influences-and was buried. It had only slumbered when he- the Mephistopheles of its worst period-had awhile disappeared. There had been no awhile disappeared. There had been no real repetannce. But now that he was gone who had come back in circumstances so horrible, now that the menace of a fearful retribution had departaged and the membries of a napplet past, and the promptings of a noble forgiveness, which Mrs. McGowkie had so inartificially but powerfully suggested, all wrought upon the mind and past.

LUCCHENI'S PRISON. ace of a fearful retribution had departed from her, now that she could safely bury the past with him, she felt that a gentler spirit came in and took possession of her heart, she felt as if humbling, but a holy influence had breathed upon her life. It was a shuddering dread to turn and gaze again upon that morose departing cloud carrying away with it the mist and darkness of a hard experience. But how much brighter shone the sun whose beams now cheered her way.

And it was clear that all this must for ever be locked in her own breast. The secret of her changed manners, pursuits, hopes, could not be revealed. To tell it to Sir Benjamin, would be to inflict a needless, and perhaps a remediless pain. For her innocent daughter's sake nothing must be risk- Gowkie came. In the moist and melted. There was no human being with whom this burden should be shared.
Perhaps it might be left where the pilsoft, and not a little that was incohergrim in the allegory left it; but if not, end and absurd; but the feeling in both

God is more pitiful than man. He had closed up and sealed over for this helped in no small degree to dissolve poor, proud, erring woman such a past the more worldly ideas and prejudices on the site of the palace of the Bishop as a malignant society would have rejoiced to peer into, to uncover, to disjusted in the more worldly of the elder lady. sect, to set up in the light of dayasa said Mrs. McGowkie—it was on this confinement in an underground most delightful scandal. . Could we, ever needing pity, only be as compassionate as He who requires it not! sionate as He who requires it not! Could we, man and women, only imi- that its a' cleared up, ye'll be able to be treated like other criminals, though render more fruitful of hope the re- affectionately, while tears were bathdeeming future! Could our Christmas ing both their faces, the little Scotchtime, our Christmas church-goings, our woman turned to the glass, as she Christmas greetings, our Christmas wiped her eyes, and glanced into it, to pleasures, only bring near to us the spirit of the Christmas Childing, who self to company. Then she stepped out in His manhood looking sadiy upon dis- of the cabin into the clear sunny daycovered sin, reproved its malignant light.

CHAPTER XIII.

peace, and sin no more!"

more that Lord Pendlebury at length

weather. The voyage had been an unexpectedly rapid one, and there was with emphatic kindness and deference. from the long-accepted site in Asia, every hope of reaching Portland by She told him at length that she wished Sunday afternoon, the 23rd of Decem-On Friday, with a brisk breeze from natured remark fell from her ladyship, paleography, disagrees with Major Karr the east, and a bright sun sparkling though Araminta looked a little dison the blue rolling waves with their turbed. crowns of snowy spray, it was a plea-sure to pace the deck and gossip and made acquainted with the state of af-

watch the sailors at work, or the crowds fairs. of steerage passengers lounging about the warm quarters of the smoke fun- man to walk straight into the cabin nels with their iron casings. Lady Peakman was able to come up said Mrs. McGowkie, with the singular Jewish-faced rascal, he was not such a bad-looking fellow. Well, yesterday he was shut up in the carpenter's thoughts, was in a mood he was shut up in the carpenter's thoughts, was in a mood he was in a mood he was shut up in the carpenter's thoughts, was in a mood he was in a mood he was shut up in the carpenter's thoughts, was in a mood he was not such a decisiveness that is natural to all her countrymen and countrywomen. They her mother's thoughts, was in a mood he was not such a decisiveness that is natural to all her countrymen and countrywomen. They her mother's thoughts, was in a mood he was not such a decisiveness that is natural to all her countrymen and countrywomen. They have been settle it together, ye see, for as bright and sparkling as the little there's no one else can do it for them." wavelets that danced off the sharp bow of the glancing vessel. Wrapt in gleam of quizzical admiration into the actly corresponds with the great basin an ermine cloak, and with a scarlet pretty blue eyes opposite to him, that feather in a little deer-stalking hat, the good little lady blushed scarlet, single river, the Shari, and the heads HART she looked very saucy and dazzling. though a pleasant smile played about of four rivers, the Zambesi, the Niger, So thought Lord Pendlebury when he her lips. He left her, and hastened to the Nile and the Congo. And in the emerged from the smoking-room, where the captain's cabin, where he found eastern part of this plateau, "cover-

to discover the fugitive Kane left him eye. at the mercy of the cunning and stolid "Pendlebury," he said, when he saw likely, from certain rocky eminences the knight in a way that startled him. German. The editor, however, was con- his friend, "this cannot last. I must which lie to the eastward of the basin soling himself with the thought that see her," pointing with his fingers to- of the Shari. The location almost exhe only of "all the journalists in crea- wards the purser's cabin. "She is not actly coincides with the description "Yes. He managed during the night to get hold of a sharp bradawl or auger, and with that he opened veins in both arms. The doctor says the man must have understood the business perfectly. The mattress was ward voyage one of the most memor- to tell you to go in to her and speak throw a new light on the truth and found deluged in blood, and he lay able on record. He was already calculto her frankly and confidently—to as- falsity of the Pentateuch is eagerly

ating how many dollars he would get sure you that you may safely do so. perused. According to the Scriptural "Horrible!" echoed Lady Peakman, lying down again and closing her eyes.

Who could imagine what a torrent which he was preparing to send on with native impulsiveness, and without the scriptural stress of the series out of the "New York Flasher" and out of the "New York Flasher" and other transatlantic journals for a highly-spiced and sensational account "You don't say so?" said Corcoran, which he was preparing to send on with native impulsiveness, and without natural course, leaving the valley of speculation by telegraph from Port- another word he darted out of the capland. He was therefore not in so bad tain's cabin and into the next. Lord a humour as his dearest friends would Pendlebury, anxious to avoid overhear-The decease of the man Kane, alias ped quickly out of the room and shut

Stillwater, alias Moreno, etc., had been the door. We shall imitate his delimade the subject of a grave consulta- cacy. tion in the captain's chart-room. Lord

chino was removed. Lord Pendlebury captain's cabin. as an English justice of the peace, and "Thank God! my dear fellow!" cried And he went out, leaving her to her Mr. Carpmael, as a commissioner to the Irishman, squeezing the young take oaths for Canada, then took written depositions of all the persons who all settled! She's my own once more. had any evidence to offer concerning I'll never forget you for this, my dear was scarcely possible to believe in it. the deceased, and these were placed in the captain's hands. This solemn busi-deeply, so truly had she realized all the less over every one was glad to discontinuous friend. She's as gentle as a child. She's as gentle as a child. All the old love come back again. To those to whom is attributed the Pentaterrors of exposure, that now, to be miss from his miss glad to distant the back to the altar, to miss from his mind the horrid episode. be man and wife once more! I'll be a

When Mrs. Belldoran left the room ed and unnatural! Take my advice, where the culprit was under examina- my friend. Never have a divorce unwhich humanity has ever found to be her heart against Corcoran, and she the fittest to express the deepest and came on board the Kamschatkan with "Your Christmas will be a merry came on board the Kamschatkan with "Your Christmas will be a merry "he said, cheerily." a clear conscience and a real satisfac- 'one, at all events," he said, cheerily. welled up like a spring out of the ex-tion that she was about to shake off "Faith, it will be merrier than his," periences of past ages, as fresh, as re-viving, as if they had been written for the memory of her former marriage, he said, pointing in the direction of and to join her lot with one whom she the land. "It's hard - eh? - robher to-day.

"Out of the depths have I cried unto thee, O Lord. Lord, hear my voice, ad the voice of my supplication, If thou, Lord, shouldest mark iniquity, O Lord, who shall stand? But there is forgiveness with thee, that thou

conceived to have injured her, and she was under an engagement to another rangement. Forgive the word, but to whom her affections had been honor-what else can I call it." ably pledged. Yet now the earlier love, and the memories of a happier heart of the divorcee. In this state of her feelings, there came the confesstatement as true without a question. She had been deceived. Instead of beone. She forgot all the unhappy circumstances which had contributed gradually to bring her to the convic-

tion of her husband's unfaithfulness. As her heart melted, sorrow settled upon it. She was without a friend to share and to sympathise with her difficulty. In this extremity the proud lady turned to the little Scotchwoman. Her maid was sent off with peremptory orders to produce Mrs. McGowkie in the purser's cabin at once. Mrs. Mcing interview which ensued, there was it must be carried bravely by her- hearts was genuine, and Mrs. Mc-Gowkie's quaint religion and unaffect-

ed purity and artlessness of character "Of course ye'll be for seeing him," their dead disastrous past, in order to And squeezing Mrs. Belldoran's hand prison regulations.

and hypocritical censors, while to the Lord Pendlebury was talking to Ara- rich and precise, and to which the protrembling sinner He gently said: minta, beside whom reclined her lady- gress of discovery is constantly add-"Neither do I condemn thee. Go in ship. Mrs. McGowkie tripped along ing fresh terms. The spread of educathe deck, hoping that the peer would tion and interest in sanitation is more see her and join her, for she shrank and more incorporating medical terfrom coming into contact with haughty minology into common speech. But Lady Peakman. Lord Pendlebury, besides this and besides the names of There were many signs on board the however, was too absorbed in Miss familiar names of diseases and reme-

happy to see that you don't- appear have sufered much by the voyage." Mrs. McGowkie was surprised by he graciousness of this reception, and hardly knew how to acknowledge it. accent and silvery tremulous voice mamma and to be very gracious, the

to speak to him. Giving her his arm, hey walked away. This time no ill-

"You had best just ask the gentlenext his own, and talk to her himself,

and the Ottawa editor, whose failure ing room, and tears stood in his own is a paradise full of all kinds of animal

ing any portion of the interview, step-

perience of her life. Dead? Alas, poor Pendlebury, Mr. Corcoran, Sir Benjam- A half-hour passed—an hour. The in Peakman, and Mr. Carpmael had young peer, filled with anxiety which been called in to assist the skipper he could not suppress, and feeling unrelief! He can no longer threaten her with their advice. It was that the body able to resume the bantering conversashould be thrown overboard after the tion with Miss Araminta, paced the doctor had made a careful examina- deck from amidships to the poop and tion and written an accurate descrip- back again, watching the door of the tion of the deceased. Mr. Carpmael was purser's cabin. The lunch bell had of opinion that the evidences of idenhave been of no use unless sent to length the purser's door opened. Cority that the dead man might be iden- quickly, and perceiving Pendlebury, tified as the quondam Count Strac- beckoned to him, and rushed into the

Roman Catholic after this-they are Another meeting had taken place. right—the law of divorce is most wick-

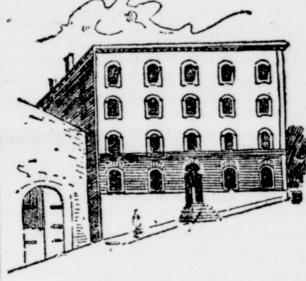
serted his innocence, without a pain- might shoot me, or perhaps the bar-

"Let me think of a way out of that part of China which borders on Rus-But her embarrassment was keen, difficulty. Meanwhile, Corcoran, come sia's own possessions, and with the most indebted for this happy re-ar-

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Kamschatkan that oits mariners were Araminta's lively and naive conversa- dies, we have numerous words, which soon expecting to approach the land. tion to notice any one else, so that at originally taken from medicine, have The passengers now being accustomed length Mrs. McGowkie was obliged to become part and parcel of our daily to the motion of the snip, and tempted put a bold face on it, and approach speech, and are no longer confined to by the finer weather, gladly watched the group. The exciting interview strictly literal uses. For example, the sailors, under the direction of the through which she had passed had there are such words as "crisis," "fevthe sailors, under the direction of the quartermasters, busily overhauling the tackling and covering of the boats, or here and there, where there were marks of weather, putting on injured bulwarks a patch of paint, or, in that deliberate but skilful way in which sail-

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> diately adjoining plateau of Central Africa was the cradle of the human race. It has been proved beyond all doubt that the territory of Eden was not a watershed, containing a single river life. Stanley describes it as being In the ceaseless war between the adherents of Scripture and the adherents of science any discovery which may

the Shari, which would be to follow the Whether our patrons be RICH or course of the Bahr-el-Ghazal, which POOR we aim to please every trends slightly to the eastward before time. turning toward the north. From here, as the human family continued to multiply the migrations would gradually reach up to the parts about Somaliland. This is now generally acknowledged by the Egyptologists to coincide with the land of Poont, the sacred land to which the people of the Ptolemys ever looked back as the land of their origin. Still further down the Nile we come to the island of Meroes, where Moses, Mersereau's Photo according to Josephus, when a commanding General, in behalf of his master of Egypt, gained an overwhelming victory over the inhabitants of the Soudan, and where the famous French explorer, Cailland, discovered the ruins

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the confirmation of the Scriptures, a

most important point to either the

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reme Battle. A Reuter despatch from St. Petersburg, says: The Grashdanin publishes Sawn Spruce Shingles, an article in which it asks whether Russia would not be acting wisely in renouncing the possession of Port Arthur and Talienwan. This renunciation would have the

ful convulsion of heart. Moreover, the words of Mistress McGowkie, few deny me the right to marry my own and simple as they were produced a deny me the right to marry my own By occupying herself chiefly with af-

following effects: Firstly, to give her

in the south of China." "Russia could then proceed," says the journal, "to develop her territory in the direction of Afghanistan, and prepare herself for the supreme combat which she must inevitably have, sooner or later, with Great Britain, profiting at the same time by the latter having scattered her forces in all direc-

tions-an error by which she will have

"It is absolutely essential that Rus-

weakened herself in India.

sia should fight this supreme battle on land and not on sea, encountering her adversary simultaneously in the north of China and at the gates of The Grashdanin rejects all notion of an eventual reapproachment with Great Britain, the inveterate enemy of Russia, from whom the latter can look for no advantage, and its advocates, on the contrary, an alliance with Germany, in which France might be in-

duced to join. GREEN CITY FOLKS. Mrs. Hayseed-Yes, I had some city boarders durin' th' summer, but I didn't interdooce 'em around much 'cause I saw they wasn't fust-class folks what goes out of the city every

Mrs. Hayseed-Yes, indeed, Why, the very fust meal they asked for MAKING IT RIGHT. Madame, said the leader of the Best

Neighbhor-Oh! They showed they'd

never been in the country before, did

husband by mistake. The bereaved women covered her face with her hands and began to There, There, the best citizen went on; don't cry. It'll come out all right yet. We expect to get the right man before night.

