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## MILES WALLINGFORD BY JAMES FENIMORE COOPER

## CHAPTER V

"The serpent of the field, by art And spells, is won from harming, But that which coils around the hear Oh 1 who hath power of charming 1

Oh! who hath power of charming ?" Hebrew Melodies It was not easy to make Mr. Hardinge a sharer in my impatience. He had taken a fancy to Marble, and was as much rejolced at this accidental dis-covery of the mate's parentage, as if he had been one of the family himself. With such fcolings, therefore, I had a good deal of difficuity in getting him sway. I asked Marble to off wish me, it being understood that he was to be inght of his recognition under his mother's roof. To this scheme, how-ever, he raised an objection, as so n as told it was my intention to go down the river as far as New York in quest of farther medical advice, insisting on accompanying me, in order to obtain the \$1,000 with which to face were leave-takings, and about eight we were all on board the slop. I did not not see, nor it least, his my sister again, that night. I had not seen her, indeed, since the moment the Mertons; and, to own the truth, I

Rupert was discovered in company with the Mertons; and, to own the truth, I lelt afraid to see her, knowing, as I did, felt afraid to see her, knowing, as I did, how much her frame was apt to be affected by her mind. It appeared to me there remained but the single duty to perform, that of getting below as tast as possible, in order to obtain the needed medical aid. It is true, we possessed Post's written instructions, and knew his opinion that the chief thing was to divert Grace's thoughts from dwelling on the great cause of her malad<sub>j</sub>: but, now he had left us, it seemed as if I should neglect a most active competent physician.

sacred duty, did I delay o failing some other competent physician. The tide turned at nine, and we got immediately under way, with a light southwest wind. As for Marble, ignor-ant as Mr. Hardinge himself of the true condition of my sister, he deter-mined to celebrate his recent dis-coveries by a supper. I was about to object to the project, on account of ter acquainted with the country, up the river, than I was myself; and it was coveries by a supper. I was about to object to the project, on account of Grace, but Lucy begged me to let him have his way; such convives as my late guardian and my own mate were not likely to be very bolsterous; and she fancied that the conversation, or such parts of it as should be heard through the bulkhead, might serve to divert the invalid's mind from dwelling too in-tently on the accidental rencontre of the morning. The scheme was conse-quently carried out; and, in the course of an hour, the cabins of the Wallingford presented a singular spectacle. In her river, than I was myself; and it was fortinate the subject was broached, as he soon convinced me the only course to be pursued was to put Marble ashore at Hudson, where, if too late for the regu-Hudson, where, if too late for the regu-lar stage, he might obtain some other conveyance, and proceed to town by land. This would barely leave him time to transact all the necessary business, and to be back in season to prevent the title to the Willow Cove from passing into the nearcove grass As was usual presented a singular spectacle. In her berth was Grace, patiently and sweetly lending herself to her friend's wish to seem to listen to her own account of the reason of the mate's fests, and to be seem to listen to her own account of the reason of the mate's festa, and to be amused by his sallies; Lucy, all care and attention for her patient, as I could discover through the open door of the after-cabin, while she endeavored to appear to enter into the business that was going on at the table, actually taking wine with the mate, and drinking to the happiness of his newly-found rela-tives; Mr. Hardinge, overflowing with phila thropy, and so much engrossed with his companion's good fortune as not to think of aught else at the moment; Marble, himself becoming gradually more under the influence of his new situation, as his feelings had time to gather force and take their natural direction; while I was compelled to wear the semblance of joining in his festivities, at an instant when my whole soul was engrossed with anxiety of a tranquil night reappear. It was 12 before the sloop was as low as Hudson, and I saw by our rate of saming that, indeed, there was little prospect of her reaching New York in time for Marble's necessities. He was landed, therefore, and Mr. Hardinge and my-

Marble stared at Mr. Hardinge; for to own the truth, it would have been difficult, in a Ohristian land, to meet with one of his years who had less re-ligious instruction than himself. It is quite probable that these familiar man-dates had never been heard by him be-fore; but I could see that he was a little struck with the profound morality that pervaded them; a morality to which no human heart appears to be so insensible as not in score to acknowl-edge its sublimity. Still he doubted. "Where are we told to do this, my dear sir ?" demanded Marble, after looking intently at the rector for a "I nebber told you dat, Ohlos-i said dear sir ?" dem looking intently

on an island."
"Well, what's the differ? You cannot tell me anyt'ing of ederostion, Neb, for I hab hear Miss Grace and Miss Lucy say deir lesson so often dat I some-times surposes I can say 'em all, one by one almost as well as my young lady 'em-selves. No, Neb, on dat subjeck better be silent. You been much too busy ebber to be ederosted, and if I domarry you, remember I now tell you I shall not enter into mattermony wid you on account of any edereation you hab." "All Clawbonny asy dat we can make as good a couple, Chloe, as ebber stood up togedder." "All Clawbonny don't know much of mattermony, Neb. People talks inder-skrimernsterly, and doesn't know what der says, too often. In de fuss place, my modder, my own born modder, upposes our uner, and dat is a very great differently to begin wid. When a born modder upposes, a darter ought to t'ink sebberal time." "Let me speak to Masser Mile; he'll fetch up her objeckshun wid a round turn." " What dat, Neb ?" "It mean masser will order her to con-sent." intently at the rector for a

looking intently at the rector for a moment. "Where ? why, where we get all our divine precept and inspired morality, the Bible. You must come to wish this Mr. Van Tassel good, instead of evil ; try to love, instead of hating him." "Is that religion ?" demanded the mate, in his most dogmatical and deter-mined manner. "It is Christianity—its spirit, its very easence ; without which the heart cannot be right, let the tongue pro-claim what delusion it may." Marble had imbibed a sincere respect for my late guardian, equally from what he had heard me asy in his favor, and what he had seen himself, of his benevo-lent feelings, kind hearted morality, and excellent sense. Neverthelecs, it was not an easy matter to teach a beling like Marble the lesson that he was to do good to those who used him despite-fully ; and just at that moment he was in a frame of mind to do almost any-thing else, sconer than pardon Van Tassel. All this I could see, under-standing the man so well, and, in order to prevent a useless discussion that might disturb my sister, I managed to change the discourse before it was to late. I say too late, because it is not easy to shake off two moralists who sus-tain their doctrines as strongly as Mr. Hardinge and my mate.

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"It mean masser will order her to con-sent." " Dat nebber satisfy my conscience, Neb. We be nigger, dat true, but no Clawbonny master ebber tell a Claw-bonny slabe to get marry or not get marry, as he choose. Dat would be in-tollabull, and not to be supported 1 No, mattermony is religion, and religion free. No color young lady hab vergin affectshun to trow 'em away on just whom her masser say. But, Neb, dere one odder difficulty to our uner dat I don't know-sometime I feel awful about it !"

"Well, what's the differ? You on

it i" As Chloe now spoke naturally, for the first time, Neb was evidently startled, and I had sufficient amusement and sufficient to hear what this new obstacle might be. The voice of the negress was music itself, almost as sweet as Lucy's, and I was struck with a light tremor that per-vaded it, and she so suddenly put an end to all her own affectation of sentiment, and nipped her airs and graces, as it might be, in the bud. "Nebber taik to me of mattermony, Neb," Chice continued, almost sobbing it l' tain their doctrines as strongly as Mr. Hardinge and my mate. "I am glad the name of this Mr. Van

Tassel has been mentioned," I observed, as it may be well to have your advice, sir, concerning our best mode of pro-ceeding in his affair." ceeding in his affair." I then related to Mr. Hardinge the history of the mortgage, and the neces sity there was for promptitude, inasmuch as the sale was advertised for the en-suing week. My late guardian was bet-ter accurated with the country, us the

"Nebber taik to me of mattermony, Neb," Chice continued, almost sobbing as she spoke, " while Miss Grace be in dis berry bad way! It hard enough to see her look so pale and melercholy, without t'inking of becomin's wife." " Miss Grace will grow better, now Magaze Mile carry ber on de water.

without t'inking of becomin's wife." " Miss Grace will grow better, now Masser Mile carry her on de water. If he only take her to sea, she get so fat and hearty, no libbin' wid her !" Chloe did 1 ot acquiesce in this opinion; she rather insisted that " Miss Grace" was altogether too delicate and refined a person to live in a ship. But the cir-cumstance that struck me with the greatest force, in this characteristic dialogue, was the fact that Chloe be-trayed 'o me the consciousness of the-cause of my sister's indisposition; while true to her ser's instincts, and faithful to her duty, the girl completely concealed it from her lover. I was also oppressively struck with the melan-choly forebodings that appeared in Chloe's manner, rather than in her words, and which made it apparent that she doubted of her joung mistres' re-covery. She concluded the conversa-tion by saying.-with Mr. Hardinge, he entered into this as into every good work, heart and hand, and immediately set about writ-ing directions for Marble's government when he got, scheme, This put and when he got ashore. This put an end to the banquet, and glad was I to see the table removed, and the other signs on, and I saw by our rate of sailing

"No, no, Neb, don't talk to me of mattermony while Miss Grace so ill; and if anyting should happen, you need nebber talk to me of it at all. I could

was going on some under the second drinking to the happiness of his newly-found rela-tives; Mr. Hardinge, overflowing with house, where we ascertained that the phila thropy, and so much engrossed with his companion's good fortune as not to think of angutelse at the moment; would reach town in the evening of the sether ato so his new situation, as his feelings had time to gather force and take their natural direction; while I was compelled to whole soul was engrossed with anxiety on behalf of Grace. "This milk is just the richest and best that ever came on board a vessel !" er-claimedthe mate, she was about to wind up his own share of the repast with a cup of offee; "and as for butter, I can asy I never tasted the article before. Little

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ing, I found Mr. Hardinge paoing the little portico, or plasss, waiting for my errival, with an uncesinger of manner that at once procisized his axiety to see ms. He had driven the house of the

my sister's case as so entirely hope

"Hopeless ! It is full of the brightest "Hopeless! It is full of the brightest promise; and when I come to look calmly at it, my reason tells me I ought not to grieve. Still, Miles, the loss of Lucy, herself, would scarce be a more severe blow to me. I have loved her from childhood, cared for her as for one of my own, and feel the same love for her that I should feel for a second daughter. that I should feel for a second daughter. Your parents were dear to me, and their children have always appeared to me to belong to my own blood. Had I not been your guardian, boy, and you and Grace been comparatively so rich, while I and mine were so poor, it would have been the first wish of my heart to have been the first wish of my heart to have been the first wish of my heart to have seen Rupert and Grace, you and Lucy, united, which would have made you all my beloved children alike. I often thought of this, until I found it neces-sary to repress the hope, lest I should prove unfaithful to my trust. Now, in-deed, Mrs. Bradfort's bequest might have smoothed over every difficulty ; but it came too late ! I twas not to be ; Providence had ordered otherwise." "You had an ardent supporter of your scheme in one of your children, at least sir."

sir." "So you have given me to understand, Miles, and I regret that I was informed of the fact so late, or I might have con-trived to keep off other young men while you were at sea, or until an oppor-tunity offered to enable you to secure my daughter's affections. That done, neither time nor distance could have displaced you; the needle not have displaced you; the needle not being more true than Lucy, or the laws of nature more certain. "The knowledge of these sterling

qualities, sir, only makes me regret my having come too late, so much the more "It was not to be : at one time, I did think Rupert and Grace had a prefer-

Mr. Hardinge continued for some me to expatiate on the loveliness of Grace's character, and to be weight of the blow he had rec gaining this audden knowledge

sions and sorrows of the world. Now we were at Clawbonny again, I soarce knew how to employ myself. Grace I could not see; Luoy, who took the entire management of the invalid, requiring for her rest and quiet. In this she did but follow the directions of

this she did but follow the directions of reason, as well as those left by Post, and I was fain to yield, knowing that my sister could not possibly have a more judicious or a more tender nurse. The different persons belonging to the mill and the farm came to me for directions, which I was compelled to give with thoughts engrossed with the state of my sister. More than once I endeavored to arouse myself, and for a fow minutes seemed to enter, if I did not truly enter, with interest into the affairs presented to my consideration; but these little rallies were merely so many attempts at self delusion, and I finally referred everything to the respec-tive persons entrusted with the different branches of the daty, bidding them act as they had been acoustomed to do in my absence.

my absence. "Why, yes, Masser Mile," answered the old negro who was the head man in the field, "dis berry well, if he can do it. Kemember I always hab Masser Hardinge to talk to me about 'e crop, and sich t'ing, and dat a won'erful help to a

"Dat berry true, sah—so true, I won't deny him. But you know how it be, Masser Mile; a nigger do lub to talk and it help along work won'erfully, to get a good dispute, afore he begin."

strictly true. Though as respectful as slavery and Labit could make them, they so opinionated and dogmatical, were ach in his or her sphere, that nothing short of a downright assertion of author-

## "THE NE TEMERE DECREE

From the Month, London, England

necessary and disquieting doubts as to the legal validity of marriages already contracted, or as to the lawful status of contracted, or as to the lawful status of persons who may hereafter be married. We must regret that a prelate whom we respect should have been misled into addressing a meeting so composed, but it's significant that this letter is the

it's significant that this letter is the one item in the proceedings, "national protest " though they were called, which the Times, in its issue of the fol-lowing day, thought worthy of being re-ported. "This national protest, however, which the Times treated so contemptu-ously, issued in some indignant resolu-tions, the first of which " repudiated the pretensions of the Church of Rome to

tions, the first of which "repulated the pretensions of the Church of Rome to regulate the conditions determining the validity of marriages legally solemnized between British subjects in any part of His Majesty's dominions," and another urged the Government "to take steps to give relief to those suffering from the accial consequences of the decree." social consequences of the decree." We have not yet seen a detailed re

port of the proceedings, and so cannot say for certain whether any attempt was made to lay before the meeting a definite and authenticated account of the privisions of the decree against which its denunciations were directed. Apparently no such attempt at accurate explanation was deemed necessary, any more than it was thought necessary to explain to the Government what sort of measures, legal or other-wise, it might take with any hope of

The explanation which these gentle The explanation which these generations men neglected to give we will try to give in their stead, not with any hopes of causing the light to penetrate the thick curtains of their bigotry, but for the in-termation of any billion because who

sich ting, and dat a woh erid help to a poor nigger when he in a nonplush." "Surely, Hiram, you are a better hus-bandman than Mr. Hardinge and myself put together, and cannot want the ad-vice of either to tell you how to raise formation of any 1 -ional persons who may be taken in by their mystifications. It is true that the subject has been often explained before, but it is one which will need to be explained many times orn, or to get in hay !"

will need to be explained many times over, in an age when people read so much but think so superfloially and remember so little. For one thing we thank the Archbishop of Canterbury, for he has called attention to the important dis-tinction between the action of the Church in "defining the conditions of its own membership." and "the lan-As respects the blacks, this was

parents are sure she has the faith still in her, and that she longs to get right with God. She only wants a little en-couragement. The priest goes with the father to see the girl. He appeals to her conscience, and points out to her, what indeed she herself knows well, that, not being married to the man in the eyes of God, she is at appy living in sin. Then, seeing that she will probably not need to separate from him altogether, now that she has thus allied herself with him and lived with him. But let her go back to her parents for a short while, until her partner can be induced to give satisfaction to her conscience by going through the Catholic form of marriage, for their access to which the priest will strive to obtain every facility. The girl resolves to try the plan and leaves the house with her and terrorizes her, as a man can so often terrorize a girl, till she is prepared to say and sign whatever he dictates to her. If this should be what happened Prom the Month, London, England The latest sat in the ultra Protestant compaign against the Ne Temere Decree is the meeting held, under the snappose of the Evangelical Alliance, at the goesse's Hall on November 16bt. Lord Kinnaird took the obair, and was sup-ported by Mr. H. M. Campbell, M. P., Dr. John Olifford, the Rev. M. Cooksey, of Beilast, the Rev. Dinadle Young, of Wealey Chapel, City Road, asd the Rev. F. Soott Webster, Rector of All Souls, tangham Pisce. Not a particularly in-pressive group surely, with the rector and Dr. John Olifford to abow by his pressive group surely, with the rector and Dr. John Olifford to abow by his pressive group surely, with the rector and Dr. John Olifford to abow by his terrorises for the Pisce with hisses, ") Rochester, armagh, and Dublin. Weare not sward in what their text was not cread. Buy mer us ungratefully " received in some quarters with hisses,") Rochester, Armagh, and Dublin. Weare not sward the following letter, which was doubtless very welcome, and was read the to following letter, which was doubtless very welcome, and was read in the the oldicate and the read the priest with good intentions, the following letter, which was doubtless very welcome, and was read the constitue of the omeres allow, the following letter, which was doubtless very welcome, and was read the constitue of the ong the read to the read there are many which appears to have been used to secure obditions of its own membership, but it is, in my opinion, much to be re-presser, and even more by the language which appears to have been used to secure obditions of its own membership, but it is, in my opinion, much to be re-server solitions of its own membership, but it is, in my opinion, the the same the init attil able is prepared to secure obditions of its own membership, but it is, in my opinion, the the same the init is of the kine with is of the init is of the man chain the init is in the one priest is what would be the true course for the pri

girl. But she has made her bed and she must lie in it, till she is prepared to take the initiative herself, and insist that the man shall do her justice by going through the Catholic form of marriage." This is what would be the true course for the priest to take in the face of such a tragedy to one whom per-haps he has known and spiritually tended from her happy childhood; and this is what the Church authorities would wish him to do. But no legislation, Papal, him to do. But no legislation, Papal Episcopal, or Parliamentary, can ensure that none of the officials appointed to administer it shall ever be guilty of im-

prudences. Let us then leave this aspect of the Ne Temere question alone, as tending only to obscure the true issue, and let us consider whether the Ne Temere legislation can be justified in itself-that is from the standpoint which the Catholic Church must always keep in view.

(1) In pursuing the stages which (1) In pursuing the stages which have led on to this most recent legisla-tion, we must start from the position that the Catholic Church, the Church of which the successors of St. Peter are the supreme visible rulers, is the one and only true Church of God, to which belongs the office of legislating for the spiritual welfare of all who have been hartige into its fold. Pertestants may baptized into its fold. Protestants may dispute our right to take up this position, but they must recognize that we do take it up, and are not likely to re-orde from it; also that the action of the Holy See in its administration, must be based upon this claim, and be the logical ntcome of it.

(2) According to Catholic doctrine, marriage—that is to say, the marriage of baptized persons—is a sacrament, the otherwise natural contract of marriage which has prevailed from the beginning having been elevated by the Founder of the Christian Church to the dignity of a sacrament. As such it comes under the guardianship and legislative power of the supreme authority in the Church, as much as does any other of the seven sacraments. That the Catholic Church makes claim to this guardianship of the Sacrament of Natrimony every one knows, and all who know anything about the subject, know that it is a guardianship she will never surrender to the State, still less to any schismatic communion. Again we must say it, others may dispute her right to take up this position, but they cannot dispute that she does take it up, and that she will face the direst perand "the lan-

secutions rather than recede from it. (3) The Church has always held that the essence of marriage-that is, of the

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Kitty brought both down to the boat with her own hands, and that makes them so much the sweeter, too, for if anything can add to the excellence of estables, it is to have them pass through the hands of one's own relations. I

the hands of one's own relations. I I dare say, Mr. Hardinge, now, you have verified this, time and again, in your own experience?" "In feeling, my friend; in feeling, often, though little in practice, in the sense that you mean. My family has been my congregation, unless, indeed, Miles here, and his beloved sister, can be added to my own children in fact, as they certainly are in affection. But, I can understand how butter made by the hands of one's own mother, or by those

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"It's such a providential thing, set your set is set to be met with; whereas, instead of any of these time set to be the set, but is as a set the series, instead of any of these times to the set of the sense time, the sense ter of the set of the sense time, and the set of the sense time, be the set of the sense time set of the sense time set of the sens

may be.

"And if you had, Mr. Marble, you would not have been any the worse for it. Such feelings do you honor, and no man need be ashamed of desiring to receive a parent's blessing."

would not nave been any one worse for it. Such feelings do you honor, and no man need be ashamed of desiring to receive a parent's blessing." "I suppose now, my dear sir," added Marble, innocently, "that is what is called having a religious turn? I've often foreseen that religion would fetch me up, in the long run; and now that I am altogether relieved from bitterness of heart on the subject of belonging to uone, and no one's belonging to mean index undergone a great alteration, and I feel a wish to be at peace with the whole human family-no, not with the whole human family-no, not with the whole human family-mo, not with the whole human family-mo to those that ourse us, and to pray for those that duespitefully use us."

miles the hour; the w having freshened, and come out at the west-ward, a quarter that just enabled her to

ward, a querter that just enhanced her to lay her course. The reader will easily imagine I did not oversleep myself the following morn-ing. My uneasinees was so great, in-deed, that I dreamed of the dreadful acc dent which had produced my father's dea h, and then I fancied that i saw him,

anxiously at me for half a minute ere she spoke, as if to ascertain how far I was conscious of her situation. "Lucy tells, me, brother," she at length said, "that you think of carrying me down the river, as far as town, in order to get further advice. I hope this is a mistake of our dear Lucy's, how-

"It is not, Grace. If the wind stand bere at the westward. I hope to have you in Lucy's own house in Wall Street, by to-morrow evening. I know she will receive you hospitably, and have ven-tured to form the plan without consultinglyou on the subject." "Better that I should be at Clawbonny "Better that I should be a characteristic —if anything can now do me good, brother, it will be native sir, and pure country air. Hearken to my request, and stop at the creek."

and stop at the creek." "Your serious request, Grace, will be a law to me, if made on due reflection. This growing feebleness, however, alarms me; and I cannot justify it to myself not to send for advice."

"No, nebber, sah-nebber, widout de apperbation of my modder ank de whole famerly. Mattermony a berry differ t'ing, Neb, from what you surposes. Now many a young nigger gentlemen imagine dat he has only to coax his gal to say 'yes,' and den dey goes to de clergy and stands up for de blessin,' and imagines all right for de futur', and for the present time, all which is just a nd imagines all right for de futur, and for the present time, all which is just a lerlusion and a deception. No, sak, ties, and go into the creek. I pine, I mattermony, a berry differ t'ing from lat, as any old lady can tell you. De uss t'ing in mattermony is to hab a sonsent." "Well, Chloe, and habn't I had dis berry consent from you for most two

had come over her in so brief a space. She now looked more like a being of another world than ever; and this, too, immediately after coming from the re-freshment of a night's rest. I kissed her forehead, which had an unnatural chill on it, I thought; and I felt the feeble pressure of an arm that was thrown affectionately around my neck. I then sat down on the transom, still holding my sister's hand. Grace looked to each other's merits. You nave been an exception on account of your long absences, Miles, and you must look to those absences for the consolation and relief you will doubtless require. Alas ! alas ! that I could not now fold anxiously at me for half a minute ere

Grace to my heart, as a daughter and a bride, instead of standing over her grave ! Nothing but Rupert's diffidence

grave ! Nothing but Rupert's diffidence of his own claims, during our days of poverty, could have prevented him from submitting himself to so much loveliness and virtue. I acquit the lad of insensi-bility; for nothing but the sense of poverty and the pride of a poor gentle-man, acded perhaps to the brotherly re-gard he has always felt for Grace, could have kept him from seeking her hand. Grace, properly enough would have re-quited his aflection."

quited his affection." Such is a specimen of the delusion under which we live daily. Here was my sis-ter dying of blighted affections under my own roof; and the upright, conscien-tious father of the wretch who had pro-duced this withering evil, utterly un-conscious of the wrong that had been done, still regarding his son with the partiality and indugence of a fond to parent. To me, it seemed incredible at the time, that unsuspecting integrity could carry its simplicity so far; but I have since lived long enough to know

alarms me; and I cannot justify alarms me; and I cannot justify myself not to send for advice." "Remember, Miles, it is not yet twenty-four hours since one of the ab-lest men of the country saw me. We have his written instructions; and all that man can do for me, they will do for me. No, brother; listen to my entrea-ties, and go into the creek. I pine, I tes, and go into the creek. I pine, I to be again at dear Clawbonny, mine to be again at dear Clawbonny, they have no connection, and causes being followed down to effects, that are as imaginary as human sagacity is as imaginary as human sagacity say. as imaginary as human sagacity is faulty. As for myself, I can safely say, that in scarce a circumstance of my life that has brought me the least under the

brother, carry me home, if you love me!" There was no resisting such an appeal. I went on deck with a heavy heart, and gave the necessary orders to the pilot; and, in about eight-and-forty hours after we emerged into the Hudson, we left that noble stream again to shoot beneath the shaded, leafy banks of our own inlet. Grace was so feeble as to be carried to the chaise, in which she was supported by Luoy, during the short drive to the house. When I reached my own dwell-

tions but their own. They loved to argue the different points connected with their several duties, but they did not like to be convinced. Mr. Hardinge would discuss with them, from a sense of duty, and he would invariably yield, unducy, and ne would invariantly freed, du-less in cases that involved moral princi-ples. Of all such points, and they were not of unfrequent occurrence in a family of so many blacks, he was as inflexible as the laws of the Medes and Persians; as the laws of the Medes and Persians; but, as respected the wheat, the pota-toes, the orchards, the mill, or the sloop, he usually submitted to the experience of those more familiar with the business, after having discussed the matters in council. This rendered him exceeding-termedicat (Derborny the parameter council. This rendered him exceeding-ly popular at Clawbonny, the persuaded usually having the same sort of success in the world as a good listener. As for the rector himself, after so many discus-sions, he began to think he had actually influenced the different steps adopted; the cause of one of the illusions I have already portraxed. already portrayed.

already portrayed. Old Hiram did not quit me when he came for instructions, alias a "dispute," without a word of inquiry touching Grace. I could see that the alarm had passed among the slaves, and it was quite touching to note the effect it produced on their simple minds. It would have been sufficient for them to love her, that Grace was their young mistress; but such a mistress as she had ever been, and one so winning in manner and person, they might be said almost to worship her.

"I berry sorry to hear Miss Grace be onwell, sah," said old Hiram, looking at me sorrowfully. "It go hard wid us all, if anyt'ing happen dere ! I always s'pose Masser Mile, dat Miss Grace and say that his daughter has lately married a Protestant in a Protestant church, per-haps even a man who has been divorced from a previous wife still living. Can-not the Mission Father come and see her? She was always a good girl, pos-sibly a Child of Mary, till this man got hold of her and isscinated her. Her s'pose Masser Mile, dat Miss Grace and Masser Rupert come togeder, sometime; as we all expects you and Miss Lucy will. Dem are happy days, sah, at Clawbonny, for den we all know our new masser and new missus from de cradle.

No, no; we can nebber spare Miss Grace, sah; even I should miss her in 'e field !'

The very blacks had observed the state of things which had deluded my poor sister ; and the slave had penetra-ted his master's secret. I turned away sbruptly from the negro, lest he should also detect the evidence of the weakness extorted by his speech, from the eyes of

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its own membership," and "the lan-guage which appears to have been used to secure obedience to it." We thank to secure obedience to it." We thank him for drawing this distinction, though the first term of it is not very correctly stated, and we cannot think the implica-tion contained in its second term to be just. If by the "language used to secure obedience to it" his Grace refers to language used by respon-sible prelates and writers to an nonnce the character of the new discipline and explain its practical bearings, surely he would find it hard to bring forward a pastoral letter or ex-pository article which has not been calm and lucid, grave and conciliatory, in its style. If he refers to the language used, or alleged to have been used, by indiv-idual persons in their endeavors to get some trangressor who has involved himself or herself in an ecclesiastically be alleged to have been said or done, by such persons in a zeal which was possibly not according to knowledge. Take, for instance—as the McCann case is stale, and besides has broken down-the case reported from the Belfast News Letter in the Globe for November 14th entered-is that of a contract by which After Five Years of Suffering ---**Three Doctors Failed and Said** 

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