# Sweet Norine

About to shuffle off this mortal coil at last, is she?" he cried. "Good luck Seems to come in a bunch," he mut-tered, as he turned on his heel away from his valet and entered the house. up to his room without attracting at-tention, or to go directly up to Mrs. Barrisn's apartment, saying that he had been out to mail a letter or some equal-ty feasible excuse for not hurrying soon-er to her presence, for, of course, they must have been to his room to call him to her heddide.

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to her bedside.

He found Mrs. Barrison lying upon her
hed, her face white as it would ever e
in death, while old Esther stood by the
bedside, wringing her hands in the most
intense grief and muttering strange, unintelligible words which Carlisel could
not quite catch.

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"What in the world is the difficulty, glear Aunt Frances?" he exclaimed, in a well-simulated tone of alarm, as he sprang quickly to the bedside and bent over the sick woman.

Was it only his fancy that she shrank from him, growing icy cold under his abouch, and that there was an expression of intense horror in the steadfast gaze of the dark, burning eyes flaring supinto his own!

would be."

No, old Esther could not bring herself to tell Clifford Carlisle that her hapless mistress had been out in the cold and storm of that awful night—that she had crossed the threshold for the first time in many years.

Perhaps her mistress might not wish sit told.

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"Why don't you speak, dearest a murmured." I beg of you, do not keep your loving nephew in such exeruciating abspense!"

"She can't speak to you," exclaimed old Esther, be ginning to sob afresh. "Don't you see that she is paralyzed."

Somehow, she could not tell him how at happened; she never knew how it was that she yielded to the sudden reasolve to keep her mistress' strange escapade from this young man.

With her unerring judgment, she is plainly saw that Clifford Carlisle's interest in Mrs. Barrison's welfare was lonly assumed.

"He expects to be heir to all her allth." thought old Esther, "and I he surprised if he would only he poor old soul would better pleased he better pleased he better pleased he surprised if he would only he poor old soul would better pleased he better pleased he surprised if he would only he poor old soul would better pleased he better pleased h

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There was one thing he must attend to, he promised himself, and that, too, before many hours should elapse—the signing of the will.

He took advantage of old Esther's momentary absence to whisper in the sick (woman's ear:

"Old Esther saw what had happened at that, self-same instant, and a piercing ery broke from her His.
"Oh, doctor, is she acad?" she gasped, commercing to wring her hands wildly. "Tell me that she is not, for the love of huaven!" she shricked.
"Calm vourself my good soul!" replied

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"Calm yourself, my good sout," replied the doctor. "I wish I could tell you differently, but I cannot. Your mistress is dead. I have reached her bedeside too

York, to say nothing of that list of gambling debts and what not. Lord! what a fool I have been to keep such things, instead of consigning them to the flames, where they could tell no tales.

dead. I have reached her bewase to be late! Old Eccentric as hirs, Barison had been, this faisibful creature loved her with all her heart; and her sudden demise was a grief so terrible that the old dootor feared very much that her heart would been then and there, or that she would lose her reason.

But every while this thought drifted

the flames, where they could tell no tales.

"Of course, that's what's the matter with the old lady; she's learned my true character, the sheck of which fairly paralyzed her into dumbness, and now she has changed her intention about making me her heir.

"We'll see about that!" he exclaimed, grinding out a savage oath from between his white teeth.

"There was a very demon in his sneer, That woke emotions of both hope and fear:
But where his scowl of hatred drakly fell,
Hope, withering, fled—and merey sighed farewell."

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But even while this thought drifted through his mind, the latter calamity fell upon poor, hapless old Eather. The cries ded away on her lips, giving place to wild, weird bursts of laughter, far more patetic than the deepest grief could have been.

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He bent breathlessly over the rigid form on the bed, his keen grey eyes scrutinizing closely the faint discolored streaks, the outline of long, thing fingers that encircled the throat.

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with the will clinched tightly in his hand, he quickly retraced his steps to ward the sick chamber on the floor below.

"What is to be done must be done quickly," he muttered. "The doctor they have sent for may arrive at any moment."

The sick woman lay in exactly the same position in which she had fallen back upon the pillow, but in her eyes there burned a lick of the same as though she realized dimly the import of his questioning.

(To be continued.)

To cure a cold in one night—use Vapo-Cresoline. It has been used extensively dur-ing more than twenty-four years. All drug gists.

#### WRONG MAN.

A TORONTO WOMAN'S MISTAKE AT

Mrs. Walpole Had Man of Same Name as Her Husband Arrested, Charging Him With Non-Support- Wanted Warrant Charging Bigamy.

Detroit, Mich., March 5.-Eight years ago Thomas Edward Walpole in Ontario, and three years married ago deserted his wife in his boy. Now. Now. Walpole trailed him over a large part than suspecting that of Ontario, and then, suspecting he was in Detroit, came here he was in Detroit, came here two weeks ago. She learned, by accident, of an Edward Walpole on the west side of the city, and without attempt-ing to see him or verify her suspicion went to the Police Court and secured a warrant, charging Walpole with

a warrant, charging Walpole with non-support.

He was taken into court, and, still without having been seen by the Toronto woman, his trial was set for next Monday. Without waiting the outcome of this warrant Mrs. Walpole tried to secure another warrant charging ligamy. The justice refused it on the slight evidence that she presented until the police had investigated the case.

Yesterday officers accompanied by Mrs. Walpole visited the Detroit Walpole's home. Here the evidence was indisputable that the Toronto woman had been following the wrong man.

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# AT R. McKAY & CO'S., SATURDAY, MARCH 7th, 1908

A HAMILTON'S MOST PROGRESSIVE STORE AN

# A Convincing Saturday Sale Bulletin

Picked From One of the Largest and Best Stocks Ever Brought Into Hamilton

The new spring materials have the call new and this progressive store, HAMILTON'S BEST, is just bubbling over from top to bottom with everything that is new and pretty for the spring season, 1998. To-morrow we are going to demonstrate to you our enormous buying powers by offering to you bargains in the newest of spring merchandise that will appeal to you just at the starting of another season. Read this splendid list carefully and come first thing in the morning so that you might share in these undervalues in the newest spring

# Here's Three Big Sales Now Going On:

Our Great Annual Sale of Fine Silks

And positively one of the most appropriate

The Big Sale of Manufacturers' Ends of Fine Embroideries

| Manufacturers' Ends of Black Dress Goods, Worth Up to \$1.50 per Yd., Sale Price 89c

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It's just your opportunity to lay in your spring stock when you can buy for such little money.

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Including Allovers, Hemstiched Skirtings, Corset Cover Embroidery and Fine Cambric Edge of yards up to 9 yards in each. Including er of all this season's popular materials at lyard 89¢.

DON'T OVERLOOK THESE SPLENDID SATURDAY-BUYING OPPORTUNITIES.

#### Black Silk Sale Starts To-morrow

To-morrow and Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday of next week, we will ce on sale values in Black Silks never before equalled in our history—Silks t are Silks, and in every fashionable weave. The sale prices shown below hat are Silks, and in every fashionable weave. The sale prices share only a few hints of the enticing nature of this enormous sale:

Manufacturer's Sale of Fine Covert Coats

MATCHLESS VALUES

On Saturday Morning at Nine o'Clock We Will \$4.98

They are made of excellent quality Covert Cloth, are beautifully tailored and stitched, coat sleeve, beautiful fitting garments, all new, up-to-date styles. They are worth \$6.00. As a leader on Saturday at . \$4.98

Tailor Made Suits \$14.98

Tourist Coats \$4.98

Handsome suits of stripe and check. A splendid assortment in light and materials. Jackets are the latest style, dark colors. Styles are very good all handsomely strapped, lined with These Coats make excellent travelling silk. Skirts are the latest cut. A wraps. They are worth \$8.50 and \$9.00 smartly fashioned suit, and great value. On sale Saturday morning at 9 o'clock Regularly \$22.50, special at \$14.98 at ....\$4.98

Panama Skirts \$2.98

Navy and Black Panama skirts, all new spring styles, tucked and trimmed with folds, all walking lengths. These Skirts are worth \$4.25 very special Saturday only at \$2.98

#### Mckay's for Dress Goods

Come to morrow to this grand department of the MacKay store and inspect one of the largest and best selected stock we have ever shown, stock is now complete with all the very latest weaves, new colors and scores of exclusive novelties. To morrow will be a good day to make your selections while the assortment is complete. Below we mention some remarkably low prices on new spring Dress materials.

\$1.00 Shadow Check All Wool | 65c Pure All Wool French Ven-Crepe de Chines 59c

Crepe de Chines 59c
This is a special purchase of 46
inches, pure all wool Crepe de
Chine, with a self colored overcheck, splendid material for a
stylish Dress Goods, shades of
brown, grey, green and fawn, and
black, regular \$1 quality, on sale
to-morrow at nearly half price.
59c

85c Black All Wool French Voiles, 48 Inches Wide, for 59c

Two pieces more of that 48 inch all pure wool French Voile in a nice bright black. The season's most favorite material for a dres-

\$2.25 Blouses for \$1.49

\$2.25, Saturday's sale price only \$1.49 .

etians for 47c

For to-morrow only we place on sale pure all wool French Vene-tians in good shades of navies, browns, greens, reds and black, come to-morrow early and get your share of this great bargain.
Our regular 65c line, on sale for to-morrow only at ..... 47e

85c Cream Serges and Panamas for To-morrow Only 65c

Just at the wanted time we place on sale new cream Panamas and Serges in plain and shadow stripes, guaranteed perfect washing materials, 44 and 46 inches wide and worth 85c. Our price to

\$3.25 Blouses for \$2.49

OF STEEL

Marvellous Bargains in New White Lawn **Waists and Moire Underskirts** THIRD FLOOR

Fine new White Lawn Waists, made bainty Persian Lawn Waists, made with fine pin tucked yoke, and trimmed with Valenciennes lace with embroidery and Valenciennes lace embroidery collar and cuffs; worth

\$2.00 Underskirts for 98c

below yoke, baby back; worth regularly regular \$3.25, Saturday's sale

## Specials in the Glove Department

Celebrated Trefousse Kid Gloves, 12 Button Length, \$2.59 Pair Sole agents for the celebrated Trefousse Kid Gloves, a fine French skin glace, come in tan, brown, grey, ivory, myrtle, old rose, red, champagne, ack, white, every pair guaranteed and fitted, regular \$3.25, for \$2.69 pr.

Celebrated Trefousse Kid Gloves, 16 Button Length, \$2.79 Pair All the leading shades in Trefousse, fine glace kid gloves in 1 ngth, also black and white, every pair guaranteed and fitted, reg

Spring Shades in Long Silk Gloves 98c Pair

Fine Cashmere Gloves 29c Pair 

Fine Cashmere Gloves at 19c Pair 

# **Bargains** for Men

Great Purchase and Sale of Men's Ties, Worth Regular 50c and 75c, for 35c Each

200 Wash Vests on Sale, Reg. Up to \$1.50 Each, Sale Price 69c

Men's \$1.00 Scotch Wool Underwear for 59c

This is a big Saturday bargain in fine Scotch Wool Underwear. Sale

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## Saturday White Wear Specials

85c Corset Covers for 49c

\$2.25 Dresses for 98c

\$1.50 Skirts for 98c

Children's Dresses, in Buster and French full skirt. with deep hem trimmed with stitching and braid, regular \$2.25, Saturday . . . . . 98c

Great Saving Values In Housefurnshings.

\$5.00 Lace Curtains to be Sold at \$2.78 300 pairs of best English Lace Curtains, which are 54 and 60 inches wide and 314 yards long, all new designs and made on best double thread net and finished with fine, hard cord edge, regular selling price 85.00, Saturday

\$2.50 Lace Curtains for \$1.68 140 pair Cable Net Lace Curtains, in white or cream, 3 or 3½ yards long, all double thread net, a very serviceable Curtain in every way, regular value \$2.50, Saturday \$1.68

35c Art Cretonnes for 18c

We are making the largest display of French and English Curtains ever shown at the price in Hamilton. Our new patterns, which have just arrived are the latest and prettiest ever offered at so low a price, and it will be of interest to any one desiring to cover a beforom, box or cosy corner, or make loose covers for furniture, dainty bedroom hangings, etc., to call and examine this beautiful asortment, regular values 35c, Saturday

### Money Saving Prices for Saturday Selling

Wilton Squares \$30.00 7 Wilton Squares, size 4x3 yards, 500 yards All Wool 2 ply Carpets, exvery handsome colorings, balance of tra choice patterns, artistic colorings, manufacturer's surplus stock in this worth \$1.00, to clear at ..... 62½c size, worth \$40.00, to clear at \$30.00

Wilton Squares \$23.50

1.5 Wilton Squares, size 3x3 yards, Carpet, elegant designs, worth elegant color combinations, balance of 80c, to clear at manufacturer's surplus stock in this size, worth \$35.00, for \$23.50

Reversels Carpets 75

All Wool Carpets 621/2c

Lapestry Carpets 59c

Specials in the Baby Department

75c Dresses for 49c

Children's Pale Blue Print Dresses, Infants' White Wool Crochet Jackets, made with trimmed yoke, in sizes 1, 2 made with yoke, full sleeve; worth reg and 3, worth regular 75c, Saturday for worth \$1.00, Saturday's sale price

Specials in the Baby Department

75c Dresses for 49c

\$1 Wool Jackets for 49c

Oilcloth 25c

All widths in heavy Oilcloth, from I varied to 234 yards wide, bright, sale ance of manufacturer's surplus stock and 3, worth regular 75c, Saturday for worth and ance of manufacturer's surplus stock able patterns, worth 30c, to clear at in this size, worth \$18.00, to clear at 25c R. MCKAY&CO.