THE TRUE WITNESS AND CATHOLIC CHRONICLE.

IRELAND'S WANTS

-2:

مريد وروي والمريد المريد المروية ويعتر ويعتر والمريد والمريد والمريد والمريد والمريد والمريد والمريد

PORTED OUT BY PATRICK MIAN AND MICHAEL DAVITY-PROTECTION DECLARED NECES-SARY - THE SAME ENGLIS AS CANADA POSSESSES WANTED.

Lancoln, Neb. Dec. 23,-Patrick Egan President of the Irish National League o America, said yesterday :-- "I consider the principles of home rule as virtually settled, both English parties admitting the necessity for such a change. I am of opinion it will be accomplished by the junction of Parnell's forces with those of Gladstene when the critical time comes, not an alliance as is so frequently stated, as it would be contrary to the principles of the Irish party to ally themselves with either of the English parties, but by independent action in the same direction. Ireland does not look for auything from Gladstone's love or that of any other English leader, but from their fears. Power to protect and foster Irish industres must also be conceded to the Irish parliament. Some of the ablest menin England expect to see a deadly struggle between Russia and England for possession of India within the next two years. It is the policy of England to settle the Irish difficulty before that time comes.

LINCOLN, Neb., Dec 23 .-- The movement of the last six years, uniting as it has done every single element in Ireland outside of the little knot of Loyalists who call themselves Orangemen, and backed up as it is by the sympathy of the liberty-loving people of the world, but more the history-loving people of the world, but more especially by the people of America, has taught England that, in the words of Mr. Gladstone, only an Irish Parliament will meet the case. I believe that nothing short of the rights that Canada possesses should be or will be ac-cepted by the Irish people. The control of the police and courts by the Irish Parliament is a broketon divergeble if worthly determined is absolutely indispensable, if a settlement is to be permanent. The police in Ireland at present are armed and drilled as a military force and regard themselves not as servants of the people, who pay them, but as their masters. As to the loyal minority about which England is so solicitons, they will be exactly as safe and have their rights just as much respected in heve their rights just as much respected in Ireland as in Illinois. The probabilities of Lord Salisbury discolving Parliament are very re-mote, as that would not better in any way the stage of has career, in 1877 and 1878, worried the House of Commons with only six followers In the last Parliament, with almost twenty workers, he broke up the Gladstone Government, with its majority of 120, and now, with 88 tollowers, he can simply make a governmeat in England impossible unless whatever party may be in power comes to his terms. Then, in the event of failure on the part of Parnell and his party to obtain, through constitutional methods, a recognition of Ireland's legitimate rights, England would have to deal with the Irish revolutionary element, embracing the most daring, the most intrepid and the most devoted of our race in Ireland, in England and here in America. This section of our countrymen want to see the national question peacefully and constitutionally set led, if possible but if the con-stitutional method should fail I believe there are no lengths to which they will not go to accomplish their purpose. Mr. Egan wished it understood that he did not say this in any sense as a threat, but as an honest expression of opinion. Mr. Egan says the league has forwarded to Mr. Parnell during the last two months about \$80,000.

GLADSTONE'S DESIGES.

LONDON, Dec. 23 .- Sir T. Dyke Ackiand M.P., who has just returned from a visit to Mr. Gludstone, addressed the electors of Somernet to-day. In the course of his speech, he referred to vari as statem ants in the newspapers concerning Mr. G. distance's intentions in regard to home rule for Ireland, and advised his hearers not to put any faith in these published reports, which he affirmed were utterly unreliable. He further declared that Mr. Gladstone does not desire to resume office, but is ready to do his duty, whatever that may lis.

MICHAEL DAVITT INTERVIEWED.

LONIXON, Dec. 23.—Michael Davitt in an in-terview to-day, ssid : "The alleged proposals of Mr. Gladstone, recently published, are a good basis for the s-ttlement of the Irish question. I advocate Daniel O'Connell's plea for minority

hunting down the savages and has com-municated with the War department with the object of securing a sufficient number of dogs to aid the troops in tracking the Apaches to the lairs and exterminating them. There is hope that the Indians would cease their relentless war on the approach of winter, but it has proved a deinsion to the government to successfully cope with them and must largely increase its force in New Mexico and Arizona or see most of the productive portions of these territories laid waste and depopulated. The massacre at Alma awells a list of murdered women in New Mexico for the past year amounting to more than 200.

CHURCH AND STATE.

AN INTERESTING STRUGGLE OVER SCHOOL

MATTERS IN THE ABGENTINE REPUBLIC.

WASHINTON, Dec. 23.-A series of despatches received by the Secretary of State from Minis-ter Osborne describes an interesting episodo in the nature of a strugele between chu ch and state in the Argentine republic for the control of the Normal schools which have been established and supported by the National Government, and in which many Protestant teachers, mostly ladies, from the United States, are employed. On the 25th April, 1885, Dr. Clara, the Catholic acting bishop at Cordova, issued a partoral letter pro-hibiting, among other things, the sending of Catholic children to schools where Protestant teachers were employed. The National Gov-ernment, considering it an act of disrespect and insubordination, took the matter up and after the exchange of several notes between the Minis) ter of Education, the Government of Cordova and Dr. Clara, referred it to the Attorney General for his opinion. The Attorney-General gives it as his opinion that the government, which confirmed the Church nomination, could discip-line and dismiss. President Recou accepted this opinion as sound doctrine and issued a do-cree dismissing Dr. Clara. This was followed by a sharp discussion in the press and in Congress, where a resolution was introduced calling or all correspondence and protests by the authorities of the church, charging priestly sub-version on one side and encroachment and persecution by civil authorities on the other. Not-withstanding the decree, Dr. Clara refused to accept his diamissal and continued to exercise the functions of his priestly office. He issued it was his duty to obey his instruc-tions from Rome rather than the laws of the Institutal Government. People are now divided into two parties, clerical and anticlerical. Concress passed a bill, which had been introduced at the previous session, provid-ing that in schools of the national capital there should be no sectarian test or teaching. In the discussion of the budget of the Minister of Education and Worship a bot debate took place to return to Washington. How it pained on the section relating to the suppression of Seminaries for the education of priests, and Minister DeWild, who took part in the discussion, made it known that the President, by witho ding supplies, was determined to press the question to the point of separation of church and state.

ANOTHER CATASTROPHE. TERRIBLY FATAL EXPLOSION IN A WELSH COAL

MINE. LONDON, Dec. 23.-A despatch from Ponty- | himself. Then there were houses, and a pridd, Wales, reports that a terrible colliery explosion has just occurred at Fermand de,

near there, and that 400 miners are entombed. A later despatch says that twelve dead bodies have been taken out of the Fermandale pit and thirty miners have been rescued more or less injured. The remainder of those who were in the mine at the time of the explosion are thought to be safe. The evolosion oc urred in the upper of the two seams. There were 750 men in the mine at the time of the explosion. The majority were in the lower seam, otherwise the death lis would have been much larger. At least fifty men were killed in the upper seam and scores were badly burned. The injured were carried to places of safety by their more fortunate comrades who had not been hurt.

THE PACKET COMPANY CAPITU-LATES.

CORK. 23 -The Cork

CHAPTER VII.

CHAPTER VIII.-Continued. Mr. Courtney bought the cottage and furniture, and placed an aged woman in it who had no idea that he hoped that Angelina would sconer or later return to the house from which she had gone. The faithful servant was simply ordered to take good care of it, and once a week to come to the Hall for her wages and report to Mr. Courtney if any persons called at the cottage or any letters were left there. Sometimes the old woman thought that the house must be haunted, or surely it would not be left empty; but by night or day she had never seen or heard anything less material than herself, so she put such fancies out of her mind.

Poor Daniel wandered about his grand house and grounds like one in a dread-ful dream. What a mistortune had fallen upon him. It was not possible now to control his mind, or to fix it upon any serious business. Riggs and Blunt managed everything in the office. They had full power of attorney to buy and sell real estate; but in buying and selling slaves, Mr. Courtney allowed no one to take his place; he was attached to them and they loved him.

The image of Angelina was never out of Daniel's mind. Waking, he watched every form he saw, and every footstep he heard, with almost an insane intensity of anxiety lest she should be near him and he would not see nor hear her. Sleeping, he saw her falling from precipices, drawn lifeless from the sea, or heard her shrieking in selfdefence and calling on him to save her. He could not see Para witnout barsting into tears, and therefore it was necessary that she

should seldom be brought to him. Mr. and Mrs. Harper were alarmed, for the state of his health and mind were dangerous ; and it was decided between them not to allude to the departure of his wife further than was absolutely necessary to acquaint him from time to time of the searches that were made : and, so far, it seemed useless to hope that she could not be traced.

It was well for him that to conceal his sccret sorrow he was forced to appear at easo in min l before the world.

Summer had gone, and autumn was nearly at an end. It would soon be time for him him to think of going back where there were such terrible memories to be recalled of his opportunities lost ! How could he face them while the dread uncertainty of Angelina a life lay upon his heart and turned it to ice. His love for Pura grew stronger day by day. Before he left the South for Washington, Mrs. Harper proposed to him to make his will. He did so, and he read it to her and Mr. Harper. It was a very long document. His large amount of real estate and the number of his slaves astonished even number of bonds and mortgages, all of which had to be carefully described. His legacies to his friends were generous, and more than liberal to Riggs and Blunt. "Pura, my only lawful and beloved child," as he called her, " Pura, my only " is heir to all the rest of my property of every kind atter these legacies and my funeral expenses will have been paid. I wish in this will to make it known," he added in a codicil, "that Colonel Bellechasse has a life interest in property worth 100,000 dollars in the city of New Orleans, which. at his death, must be given to my child, Purs." It was described.

When they had finished reading the will, he said, turning to Mrs. Harper ---"Pura will be the richest woman in America !"

He thought, but did not say, "God grant

taking a long breath, she said : "Now, Daniel, be as calm as possible

this is a letter to you from Angelina." I j"I will be calm. I must hear it-go on !" Mrs. Harper read in a slow and trembling

voice : "DANIEL COURTNEY,-I loved you. You doubted me, and now I hate you.

"I cannot live with a man I hate. You should not live with a woman you doubt.

"I shall leave you to night for ever. You are free to conceal your marriage to me. I shall not tell it.

"1 love Purs as good mothers love their children. I cannot provide for her. You can ; so, for her sake, I make the sacrifice, and I leave her with you. Love her.

"I shall never trouble you, nor need you think of me again. -ANGELINA RAYNOND." For several moments after the letter was read neither spoke. Daniel was weeping and

groaning. Mrs. Harper was greatly agitated. At last she said in a tone of bewildered surprise : "You doubted Angelina? How could you ? She is pure as the newly fallen snow, and she

loved you almost to adoration !" "I doubted her. I was jealous, and I told her that I had done so, but I thought she forgave me," sobbed Daniel. " She hates me !" he added, trembling violently. "Ah, what a priceless treasure I have lost ! Lost for ever ! Oh, do you think I have forever lost her love, Louise ?"

Mrs. Harper could not speak at the moment. Daniel's terrible grief overcame her as much as the letter. After a little time she said : "It is a relief to know that Angelina lives."

"To me," said Daniel, "it would be happier to know that she was dead, than not to now where she is. What can the poor child do, penniless and unprotected, separated from her lawful husband ! My God ! The temptations and want that may beset her, drive me nearly mad !"

With eyes blinded with tears he read the letter aloud over and over. "How unlike my Angelina when she loved me. 'I shall never trouble you.-You need not think of mc." This is almost more than I can bear, Louise," he said in a hoarse whisper. "What can I do? What will become of her! Better I had never been born than to live to see this day ! Oh, if you can, do help me, -help me to see a little hope ! Is there any that Angelina will come back and ace me?"

We cannot tell what may be," answered Mrs. Harper, scarcely able to speak. "But I dare not hold out that hope to you, for I can't see it myself !"

loved her as I did and as 1 do. She hates ship had reached port. me !" said Daniel.

" She was often told that she ought not to be treated as she consented to be ; but her love for you blinded her. Now she has awakened to the sense of the humiliation that you laid upon her by your shame to acknow made her fear that she would never be in | be, ch !" your estimation a wife whom you would with pride introduce to your friends ; and she resolved to free you from the difficulty of publishing to the world that you had married her. This, I think, is the most natural conclusion that we can draw from the knowledge have of her character."

Daniel had been sitting at the table by the side of Mrs. Harper while she was speak ing. His face was covered by a handkerchief her side. The Captain got in, and they were he held, and his hand trembled with the secon driving through one street after another agitation he could not hide.

"No doubt what you say is true," he Angelina had no baggage except a leather answered in broken accents. "Oh, what a death-blow this is to all my hopes of happi." "Please ask for Madame Raymond, death-blow this is to all my hopes of happiness ! What a gilded prison I have prepared

WHAT WILL THE WORLD'SAV? An American Tale of Real Life. BY RHODA E. WHITE. WORLD'SAV? to him in Angelina's writing, and dated the night of his arrival home from Washington. 'I can't open it," he said, "you must do the envelope. Her hands trembled when she took out of it the folded sheet of paper, and by the Crawford had died suddenly find that Mr. Orawford had died suddenly after her return from the South, and that Mr. Crawford and Emily had gone to Europe. Itumor hid if that the young lady was engaged to an English noble-man, and this report put to flight the scandal that Miss Crawford had been jilted by Mr. Courtacy.

We must leave our hero for a time and fel low Angelina on her way after ahe closed the door of her cottage on that memorable night. It was the eve of the morrow on which Daniel had proposed and hoped to end the chain of sad consequences that had entangled him, and will go to your room and you must lie down, from which fate refused to extricate him at my dear. You look so tired you need rest for his own time. Who can say that to morrow a little while." he can do what he leaves undone today ? The "I thank y

present only is our own ! The ship Neptune and her gallant Captain Hart was on the eve of returning to Harve

when Angelina accidentally met Raif in the street the night she had left home. Where to go or what to do she had not thought of after closing her own door and went out into the darkness. To hide from Daniel was the absorbing thought of her ex-cited mind. She stopped for a moment and wondered if she could reach the river unnoticed and bury her grief in it, but a person whose face was partly covered by his hat drawn down over his forehead was following after her. She had reached Canal Street Turning down a side street she was still pursued and she quickened her pace. The his left hand upon her shoulder, with the other hand he lifted her veil and exclaimed, "Angelina Raymond, where are you going?" The base man pretended to sympathise with the wrong wife, and heard the whole story. Guilty of the misfortune that had brought about this state of things he feared exposure, and persuaded Angelina to side of the fireplace was a mahogar sail the next day in the Neptune to secure | box, well filled to replenish the fire. himself from detection. She went to his resided in Havre.

Exhausted by the terrible scene she had passed through the night before and overcome by the excitement she was under, as soon as ene laid down in her bertif, the poor young creature fell into a heavy sleep. She awoke with a bewildered sense of something that had come to her to change her life for ever to a long dark passage, leading she knew not where, in which she must travel alone and uncomforted, without a single ray of hope for better things. Pura she dared not think of-that memo must be blotted out, that love must think of—that memory stifled or she would die. Could she live? And while she asked the question again, her eyes closed and she was in a stupor, and so days passed, and how she suffered ! The quick tread on board over head of many feet and She does not believe now that I have the sound of heavy ropes indicied that the

The Captain came to her cabin, and with a good natured fatherly way, sat a moment near her bed saying : "Well, child, you are over the sea and in

the port of Havre Give me your mother's address, and after all the passengers are on ledge her as your wife ; and, no doubt, the shore I will go with you and put my charge former degradation she endured by DeGrasse, in her arms. God bless us, how gind she will

> " Thank you, Captain. She will be glad and I must try for her sake to get well.'

It seemed to Angelina that she had grown old in the grief of those four weeks at sea ; she wondered how the Captain could cail her child, but he was so old, and, no doubt, she looked to him like a child, thought Angelina. At the wharf he took a carriage, and Angelina was seated in it with the stewardess by till the house No. 31 L--- street was reached

my mother," said Angeline. The Cap-tain opened the door of the carriage and jumped cut, no sooner had he done so than the door of No. 31 (a very flue house) was opened by a servant in livery before the bell was rung. The Captain asked, "Is Mademe Raymond at home,-her daughter is here.

lady has come to France from America to her mother. She has been sick all the voyage, and on landing we drove to the residence where she supposed her mother still lived and we found another family in it. They did not know Mrs. Raymond. I told the child ahe had better come to you to night, and to morrow we would make further inquiries"

"Yes, yes, dear child, it is better," said Mrs. Hars, kissing Angelina. "The Captain was right. I am glad to see you. I shall love to have you with me to-night ; the Captain can't come home till to morrow, so now we

"I thank you so much," said Angelina, " An hour's sleep will be quite enough to rest me."

Mrs. Hart called Josephine and told her to go with the lady to her room and assist her to lie down. "Meantime, Miss Raymond," said the good lady, "I'll say a few words of welcome to my husband, and give him some tes before he goes back to the ship. I'll send some to you, child. Please, dear, feel that you are at home."

Augelina could only bow her head in assent, for her eyes were full of tears. She followed Josephine to her room. The windows and a high post bedstead were hung in gay light chintz. The bed was while as snow and soft as down. There were two easy chairs by the side of the bed and four stools near them ; a stranger increased his speed, and, et last, laid | table stood at the head of the bed upon which was a silver candlestick with a wax can-dle. It was early in the afternoon and a spring day. The bright sunlight was subdued by lace curtains next to the glass in the windows. On the hearth some logs of wood were laid upon brass andirons ready to be lighted in the cool of the evening, and by the side of the fireplace was a mahogany wood-On the mantel were vases of sweet-scented flowers, house with him that night. The next day he herbs, and a hand screen of pretty workmanhouse with him that night. The next day ne there, and a many set of the face from the and his wife went on board the Neptune with ship to protect the face from the her and put her under the care of the Captain. heat of the fire. A more comfort-Auselina was returning to her mother who able apartment for a heartsore weary traveller could not he found anywhere, though many might be more luxurious. Angelina was in that half dreamy, half unconscious state of mind in which we found her when she left her husband and infant. There was only the sense of material pain or enjoyment left to her ; and she suffered from loneliness and devolation that can only be understood by those who have been suddenly dealt a heart blow, that seemed death to all future enjoyment in this life. Such was the revulsion of feeling which poor Angelina had experienced when Daniel stood before her, in her eyes no longer what he had been, but now her idol broken to pieces and fallen to the earth.

She yielded passively to the attendance of Josephine, smiling to thank her now and then, but she said nothing. A fine cashmere wrapper lay on the bed which Josephine put on the lady and a pair of soft lamb's wool slippers on her feet. And then she lay down. "On, how very quiet and comfortable I will be here," she said. "Tell your mistress I thank her!"

"I shall bring, Miss Raymond, a cup of tea and some fresh buns," said Josephine.

"Only a cup of tea, please," answered Angelina, already feeling inclined to sleep.

After Angelina left the room, the Captain took his seat by his wife. In a few moments a servant brought in a silver tea kettle of boiling water and placed it on a trive: that hung on the grate ; a small table was put near them upon which Maggy laid a snow white fine linen cloth and china cups and saucers ; a tea caddy and other "tea things." Mrs. Hart made the tea, and hot muffins and cold meat tempted the Captain to cat. When Maggy had left, Mrs. Hart said. "Now, my dear, tell me who is this lovely

creature you have brought to us ?"

"Just an hour or so before my vessel sailed," he answered, " a goutleman and lady, or a man and woman, came on

Dno. 30, 1885.

representation in the Irish parliament. I would give 75 sects to the Loyalists and 525 to the Parnellites The police should be disarmed. Irish landlords would be impossible under an Irish parliament."

FIGHT BETWEEN UNION AND NON-UNION MINERS.

PITTSBURG. December 23.-A serious conflict between the striking miners and the men who took their places occurred to day. As the are greatly elated over their victo y. working miners approached the pits they were halted and compelled to retreat under heavy fire. The strikers seemed more desperate then than upon any previous occasion. All were armed, and at least twenty-five shots were fired. The strikers had evidently laid in wait the greater part of the night in the woods near the mines, as they were not observed until they rashed down the hillside firing. The workmen were frightened almost to death, and ran for their liver. None were killed, but a number were wounded. In their eagerness to escape, three jumped over a precipice and were quite seriously hurt. After all the minors were driven off. Superintend. ent Jones took charge, but he was also compelled to retreat under threats of bodily harm. At 11 o'clock all was reported quiet. A later despatch says the strikers are still in possession of the mine. An attack with Bitters regulates the bowels in a natural stones was also made on the homes of the manner, curing Constination and preventing miners, and windows were broken in twentyfive houses.

PITTSBURG, Pa., Dec. 23.-A Monongahela special says : - The strikers held possession of the old Eagle mine for several hours and then departed without doing any more damage. After they left the miners returned to work and finished the day undisturbed. A miner from No. 3 pool predicts lively times during the balance of the week. He says the men are determined to inaugurate a more spirited contest between themselves and the operatore. New blood with additional energy, he says, is being enlisted in their behalf, and the prospects are that before many days clapse a different aspect will be witnessed to what row exists.

THE TROUBLES IN MEXICO.

EL PASO, Tex., Dec. 23.- The following are additional perviculars of the fight between United States troops and a band of Apaches near Sliver City, N.M. : - A detachment under Lt. Fontaine were surprised Saturday night near Alma, N.M., by Indiana, who were secreted behind rocks, and opened a murderous fire on the soldiers, accompanied by demonize wells, which threw the detach. ment into confusion. A desperate hand to hand encounter took place, in which the surgeon and Lieut. T. J. Madden, one sergeant and four men of Troop C, of the Eighth Cavalry, wore killed, and Lieut. Derosey C. Cabell and a surgeant were dangerously wounded. Besides these, seven or eight citizens met death at the hands of the savages. Everybody is leaving the country. Desolution is visible everywhere ; even the cowboys are leaving. Large ranches with their herds are left to the mercy of the savages. These, however, are well provided with mmunition and have their ranche resience strongly burricaded. The remainder of Lieut. Fontaine's command, which consisted of 35 men, saw dead bodies in numerous bloodhounds as auxillaries to the army in [applied]

company, which has been by cotted by the Nationalist cattle dealers for several weeks, has at last made con ession to the cattlemen. The company agrees not to carry cattle that have been seized for non-payment of rent or that have been raised upon farms from which tenants have been evicted. The company also agrees to take the unexpired charter of the steamer

hired by the Cattlemen's Association, and to pay dealers for bases sustained by them, amounting to several thousand pounds, since the beginning of the boycott. The Nationalists

PREMIER BRISSON'S APTEAL.

PARIS, Dec. 23.-In the Chamber of Deputies to-day Premier Brisson insisted that the full amount of the Tonquin credits asked for be granted. He said it would be dishonorable for France to break her treaties with China and Annam, and it was equally impossible for France to abandon her aliles. It was necessary to strengthen the French garrison in Hue in order to foil the Annamite intrigues. The Government desired not to annex Annam, but to exercise a protectorate and to effect a reconciliation conducive to the honor of France as had been done in Madagas.ar He appealed to the Chamber to uphold the national honor.

REGULARITY is the main spring of life, anl regularity of the buwels is one of the most essential laws of health. Burdock Blood manner, curing Constipation and preventing serious disease,

Guano has been discovered on the island off Southern California, and 300 tons were recently shipped to Europe.

WORMS often destroy children, but Freeman's Worm Powders destroy worms, and expel them from the system.

The latest explanation of the fact that a drunken man usually escapes injury by a fall is that his nerve centres are paralyzed. Hence they are not affected by the shock of the fall, which, with a sober man, would have acted violently upon the heart.

NATIONAL PILLS are the favorite purgative and anti-bilious medicine; they are mild and thorough.

The drug clerk is not the only person liable to accidents with poisons. A recent case is cited in Jeannererte, La., in which a father of two sick children gave the medicines prescribed for cach of them to the other, thus killing both children.

IMPURE BLOOD,-Boils, blotches, pimples and festering sores are indications of impure blood that should never be neglected, or ill health and perhaps incurable disease may result. Burdock Blood Bitters purifies the blood by acting on the cardinal points of health-the Stomach, Bowels, Liver and Blood.

A Mormon who was accidentally killed in Utah the other day left sixty-seven children to mourn his loss.

CAUTION.

Any liniment or other medicine that cannot be taken internally is unsafe for ordinary use. Hagyard's Yellow Oil, the prompt pain places along the line of their march. It is reliever, is safe and reliable for all aches and said Gen. Crook is now in favor of employing pains, and can, he fawallowed as well as

that it may make her happier than it has her for mysell by

Mrs. Harper was better satisfied now that this act of justice was done to Pura.

father."

Mrs. Harper in her own mind could not solve the mystery of Angelina's sudden departure. It would not have surprised her had she known what had passed between them. She resolved, before Daniel left, to question him more closely on the subject, as it is mentioned above. Till now no one had discussed with Mr. Courtney the cause of her flight.

One evening, when they were alone, she said to him :

"Daniel, you must not be wounded if I ask you a question; that till now delicacy for your feelings has prevented me from asking you.' "You have a right to ask me anything, dear Louise, and I have no right to be offended."

"Did Angelina discover anything in your life at Washington that could excuse her for refusing to live with you ?"

"Nothing ! Many false reports of my anti-cipated marriage with Miss Crawford reached her, but she did not doubt my love, nor my honor, nor my fidelity to

"What could have induced her to take the step she did ?"

"I hardly dare to hear my own lips utter the words I must say if I tell you truly what I think," answered Daniel.

His heart heaved, and he was obliged to rise and walk about the room before he could continue.

"If it will distress you, Daniel," said Mrs. Harper, " do not say any more."

"I think," said Daniel, " that she may from seclusion and unhappiness to the brilliant lost her ! and, may she never be driven to prospect before her. If so, God help her despair and destruction !" and help me ! Where is she ? I can't make Il I could do if it were known. I have lately authorized the reward to be doubled." is but one supposition left in my mind--one o those demons in society who gain the his lawful daughter. The mother was not affections of married women, has drawn her into his net, from which I will never attempt to extricate her !" Mr. Courtney burst into | as she liked. tears and added : " Let us nover speak again of what I have just said to you.'

"I will not, I cannot doubt the rectitude of Angelina's conduct," said Mrs. Harper. ' Your first fear is far more likely to be true.' "If I could, I'd give all my wealth to know the truth," said Daniel.

"That night the old woman from the cottage came to get her weekly stipend from "Master Daniel," and said she wanted to see him alone.

"Please your lordship," said old Nancy, "I was dusting this morning behind the mir ror, and found this ring and a paper. The paper's no use, perhaps, but I know the ring was not for me to keep." Angelina had dropped the ring, evidently,

when thrusting the letter behind the mirror, which she supposed would be found in a few days after she left. What a strange fatality !

Daniel seized both papers and ring from Nancy's hand, drew from his pocket three times the amount due her, only anxious to get rid of her; and taking no time to count the pieces, told her to go quickly and ask Mrs. Harper to come to the library to see him at once.

Mrs. Herper came in haste, Daniel stood like a statue looking at the envelope addressed . . .

own folly "Be as kind to Angelina as you can,

Daniel. Remember her youth. Remember that her trust in men has been severely tried. Remember her ardent nature. Let us not

judge her too severely." Mrs. Harper was thinking more that mo

ment of Angelina than of Daniel. "1 only blame myself," said Daniel. "Would that I could know that she is not in danger !'

Happily Colonel Keans came in just then to report that some detectives called on him to say that a woman, answering to the de-

scription of the lost one, had been seen going on heard a French steamer that was bound for Havre, but the vessel had sailed, and would not reach its destination for nearly four weaks. "Would it not be advisable to send some one at once to Havre to trace the whereabouts of the passengers of the ship?" he asked.

The letter found behind the mirror was handed to the Colonel. He took it and read it. His color changed from pale to deep red at every paragraph. When he had finished it he looked up. His eyes were filled with tears.

"By Jove, Courtney ! I do not know which to pity most, you or the wife you have lost," he said.

"You think I've lost her ?" inquired Daniel, scarcely able to articulate.

"Yes! You have lost that woman for ever ! A woman who could leave her child whom she loves better than her life, must have a deep wound in heart to make her do it. [There are not many of so strong a nature as she shows. She will never repent the act. have lost her mind from the sudden change in my opinion. God help her ! You have

Mr. Harper was called in to counsel with public my right to find her. I have done them what was best to do. It was agreed that, so far as human sight could see of the future, the public must not be told of the ' If she was not crazed, then, Louise, there | marviage till the death of Mr. Courtney when the Will would prove the fact that Pura was named. If Angelina lived after Daniel, the secret would be her own to keep or divulge

"In this letter," said Mr. Harper, "ehe writes that she will not disclose it, and that you need not think of her again. That woman means what she says !

All agreed that Mr. Courtney must in future consider Angelina as lost to him, and he must act as if Pura were motherless; but not

as if belonging to him. They all felt that it had become the saddest kind of an expeasence to Daniel; and to Angelina it must be one of desolation and grief. The absolute necessity which imposed upon Daniel the carrying of his secret burden still longer, obliged him to make horoic exertion when not alone, and saved him from falling into an indifference that would have bordered on blank despair and loss of reason.

The hall was constantly crowded with visi tors from different parts of the State, and many Northern men of note were entertained by Mr. Courtney. Ladies seldom crossed the threshold ; and Daniel made it a rule to accept no invitations to social parties where he would be expected to play the part of an unmarried man. He gave as an excuse that his business obliged him to forego the pleasures | and, above all, a stranger with him. And of general society. In the theatre he always then busband and wife met, embraced one had a box, but rarely occupied it.

Daniel Courtney was obliged to return that | dnced Miss Raymond. winter to Washington. He was surprised to

1 4 . 1

" Madame Raymond no longer lives here, sir; she died nearly four months ago, I think. The family now in No. 31 was not acquainted with her.'

Angelina did not hear the conversation. and the Captain returned to the carriage and said :

"Miss Roymond, your mother is no longe living here. The family are not acquainted with her. You had better go with me to my house till to-morrow, and then we will find some one to go with you. I will go myself and enquire further."

"Oh, you are too kind," said Angelina 'As you like."

She felt so exhausted, indeed so indifferent to everything, that any place she could rest awhile in would be a relief if only for a few oure.

The Captain took his seat again in the carriage, and found it difficult to restrain his sympathy for the young creature before him who must soon know the sad news that had

"You are very ill, Miss Raymond, I am afraid," he said; "my good wife will know how to nurse you."

"Oh, no, I am not ill, only tired," answered Angelina, finding even that short answer an effort.

Nothing more was said till the carriage stopped before a wide, two storey brick house. The Captain and his wife were English people who lived unostentationaly, yet knew the value of home comforts. A neatly dressed servant-maid opened the door and courtcaied to Angolina.

"Here, Josephine," said Captain Hart, " take the lady's travelling bag to her room, her value is in the carriage. Now, Miss haymond, come with me and we will find Mrs. Hart, who did not expect us home so soon, or she would have been here to meet us."

They walked to the end of the hall and opened a door on the right into one of the cosicet rooms imaginable. It was as cheerful as subshine and the presence of Mrs. Hart could make it. In the windows were wire stands filled with pots of geraniums and roses, and near the mantel were pots of climbing plants that wore trained around the frame of a large mirror over the mantel. At a work table, on which there was a basket lined with crimson silk and filled with sowing materials, sat a middleaged lady, dressed in a brown silk dress, a white muslin kerchief crossed over her bosom. a white muslin aprop and a full-hordered highcrowned white lace cap. Her eyes were large and dark blue, with the mildest possible expression and fringed with long brown lashes. Her face was fair and spotless, her cheeks were tinted with that fresh glow which only perfect health can give, and which is rarely seen at her age. She had a motherly look that gave Angelina confidence that she was welcome. When they came into the room Mrs. Hart started from her chair, and, for an instaut, looked a little confused. It was such a surprise to see her husband, another affectionately, and the Captain intro-Bess," said the Captain, "this young

board and introduced me to Miss Raymond. The gentleman paid her passage to Havre, and gave me £20 to give her when we reached France. The lady said to me, 'She is young,' Captain ; 'please to allow no one to make her acquaintance on board; she is go-ing to her mother. It is not likely that she will be well enough to leave her cabin on the voyage. May I ask you to send some one with her when she reaches Havre to find her mother ?' And may I ask that you will see her yourself, if she needs your care on the veyage? 'it will be a great charity to take charge of her,' said the man."

"That was enough for you, my dear, I know," said Mrs. Hart. "The poor child ! I never saw such sadness in a young face ! She must have a great sorrow. Did she ever hint of such a thing ?"

"No, Bess, dear; but I know what she does not dream of-that her mother is dead !" "Oh, what a misfortune !" exclaimed Mrs. Hart. "Has she a home here !"

"I do not know. We must find that out, Bess dear, before we tell her of her mother's death.'

"And if she is alone in the world, we must keep her with us," said Mrs. Hart.

"To do anything else would be inhuman," replied her husband. "We have no chidren and plenty of money. More than we need, though many would not call us rich, Bess.'

"I do hope, for her sake, the dear young creature bas a home and plenty of money; but it would make me so happy to have such a daughter, and you would like it too !"

"Yes, I would, for a companion for you, Bess dear, I am so much away from home, and somehow I think it would bring us good luck too, Bess, dear, to have a chance like this of warming the child's heart, if she is in distress, as I think she is. Perhaps all she has is the £20 I have of hers !"

"Poor thing ! Poor thing !" said Mrs, Eart. "So young, so beautiful ! I do not think she would be safe alone in a city like this. John.'

"We will see, Boss, dear. I must be off now, I am needed at the vessel. I may not be home till late tomorrow afternoon. I have more than usual to do on board. Tako care of my charge. She must be henceforth your charge, good Boss. Good-bye."

An hour later the good woman gently opened the door of Angelina's room, and, with light steps, went to the bedside. Mrs. Hart stood looking at the beautiful woman who was eleeping. Her white hands were crossed on her bosom and clasped; her head was turned a little on one side and her long golden wavy hair foll on her shoulders unbraided, Mrs. Hart thought she had never seen a picture more lovely : but oh, what a sad expression there was on that countenance. Of what can she bo dreaming? she asked herself. I will awake her ; she looks troubled.

Mrs. Hart laid her fingers on the bed curtain to draw it further back. Angelina opened her eyes.

" Do you find yourself rested ?" she asked.

"Oh, yes," answered Angelina.

"Do you wish to get up ?"

"Must I go now ?"

"No, dear, no. Would you like to take your dinner with me ?"

"I do not care for dinner, but I will go with you."

"No, child, not go with me-will you dine with me?"

"Yes, thank you. I will get np." "Do not dress, my dear. We are slone