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That is a sweet voice very, a Captain Mayell; 'and with more cultivation too than one is opt to find among the general run of itinerant minatrels."

file was standing at the corner of the

making ita apparance, but while he waited Eleptain Mayall, listened vaguely to the wild street ballad washled by fresh, exquisitely true young volte to the fitful accompaniment of a cracked

The blind fiddler in his tattered velve teen coat and picturesque white beard with her face fill veiled by the folds o the black shawl, which was thrown over her head and fell in long nun-like folds about her slight person, stood holding

As her large liquid eyes fell on Mayelf he advanced, and holding out a silver coin, spoke some laughable sentence in the musical modulations of the Italian language.

She took the money with a murmured word of thanks, but the shy, surprised stood him. 'So they are not Italians after all,' said

Mayell, as he sprang into the pmnibus, I was sure that olive skin, and those deep melting eyes could only have caught their glow under the skies of

Well, it only shows how easy one is to be mistaken." At all events, it was a fair, dimpled little face, and I hope her grizzle-bearded old friend will reap an ample harvest of pennies.

And in searching for the abiding-place of his old friend, Mr. Castleton, the decayed artist, he completely forgot the little incident of the evening.

'Yes, this must be the place. And yet,' glancing up at the mildewed brick walls and indescribable shabbiness of the old house, 'who would have expected to find Warde Casteleton here?

Warde Castleton, the descendant of a long line of ancestry-Warde Castleton, whom I can remember as the master of Castle Hall.

'Bad management, extravagant living mad investments—this is what they have brought him to, Poor fellow ! one can scarcely offer charity to him ; and yet what is to be done!"

And groping his way into the hall where a sort of Cimmetian darkness reigned, he managed to inquire his way of the Italian dealers down town. to the floor where Mr. Castleton fived. The majestic old artist came forward to receive him, in a tattered dressing speaks to Miriam except with the great toilet. gown which had once been ruby velvet a cap of the same material on his head, and a maulstick in his hand.

'Ah, Mayell, my old friend,' he cried, grasping the hand of the unexpected guest - or rather the young friend of my old days-you are welcome. 'You find me rather indifferently situated : but we all know that genius is, at times, under a cloud. Walk in-walk in! Here is Mrs. Castleton, and Bestrix, my eldest caughter. But where is Mirism ?-little Miriam, the beauty and the runaway of the flock ? Call her, Trix. Tell her to get us some supper. She will be here

Mrs. Castleton, a little old lady in a lace cap, who had lost the use of her limbs, sat knitting in a wheeled chair,

by the sadly insufficient fire. Her poor nose was blue, and the hand which she held out to Clarence Mayell

was cold as an icicle. Beatrix, a pale young woman of twenty drew an old screen before the table, on which was a plate of cold meat and a pitcher of thin tea, and made haste to adjust the easel so as to hide the cot-bed

in the corner. Mr. Castleton pointed to the easel, with a flourish of the hand.

'You see, Mayell,' said he, 'that I still cling to my old habits. 'My hand is scarcely as steady now as I could wish, but it seems necessary to sell a picture now and then. Trix, where is your sister? Why does not Miriam come in? We have some wealthy acquaintances, Mayell,' the old man continued, 'who decline to buy my pictures, and who contrive systematically to ignore us. 'But I am told that Miriam frequently goes to them. Well, well, I cannot wonder-the child is young, and this,' glancing contemptuously around the room, 'is hardly the place to attract a girl's capricious fancy. Trixty here is true to her

old parents. blame Miriam. She-

'Have I blamed her?' The old artist shrugged his shoulders. 'She is young —she is very young—that is all. As I those who need a medicine to purify was saying, Mayell, I sell a picture now

the old man's portfolio and cogitated within himself how he might best offer to purchase a picture without hurting the sensitive pride of the artist, the little gem for the Teeth and Bath. Ask your druggest or address

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dab of models comment, jelly, a little dab of models comment, jelly, a pile of bread, and a poince sabde.

And when the unappeting meal was over, and they me allvering by the fire,

It's William, said Mr. Casheton ; 'my youngest girl, Come in, pet, and speak to Captain Mayell. Miriam stopped absorbly in the door-way, and turned first red, them pale,

before she advanced and held out an anwilling hand.

Mayell rose and bowed over it : but as their count he smiled a little.
Miss Castleton, said he, I am very

happy to meet you. her mother's chair, close to Beatrin, and do what Captain Mayell would, he could not eneced in drawing her into the con-

'I will make her look up,' he said to himself, a little chagrined at the stead-fastness with which the dark eyes were bent toward the fire. Turning to the artist he asked careless

Does your daughter sing ? 'A little, in a wild way, like a lark or nightingale, said Mr. Castleton. had a quitar once; but it is lost or broken, or something. Can't you sing

for us, daughter?

The ruse was successful.

Miriam looked up in a frightened way, her eyes glittering, her cheeks glowing

in red spots.

'I—I cannot aing tonight,' she said hurriedly. Please, papa, don't ask

But when Captain Mayell had taken leave for the night, and was groping his way down the stairs, he was most suddenly and unexpectedly confronted by Miriam herself, wrapped in the black shawl, with Beatrix at her side.

Captain Mayell, said Beatrix in low voice, 'what must you think ? For our own sakes we owe you an explana-'Hush, Trix !' cried Miriam, excited

'All this preamble is quite unnecessary. I will tell him all about it. of a'val 'Papa doesn't know that I sing with

old Bartimeo in the streets - but mamma does and Trix, 'They know that Bartimeo takes excellent care of me; and I wear his daughter's dress and we cannot let poor papa starve.

'And,' soberly added Trix, 'we give papa the money, and he thinks old Bartimee has sold a picture for him to some Poor papa ! and it makes him so happy ! And, indeed, indeed no one

they became fast friends. 'I am coming tomorrow,' he said, 'to

also bid me welcome?' And she answered shyly-'Yes.' But she went out singing no more.

Blind Bartimeo and his violin were unaccompanied now.

Warde Castleton died the next sum mer, entirely unaware of the deception mer, entirely unaware of the deception which had been practised upon him, and Captain Mayell asked pretty Miriam to be his wife.

'Do you know, darling,' he said, 'I ial. loved you ever since I saw you singing on the pavement in that picturesque Italian costume ?

And among her wedding gifts was a diamond studded gold locket, in which was set the tiny silver coin which he had given her on that bleak Novem- Wild Strawberry. 'Papa,' said Beatrix, coloring, 'do not ber afternoon when the twilight was verging into dusk.

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a few small pieces of cake is thrown from the upper window by one of her male relatives. If the plate is broken she will be happy, but if not there is every prospect that she will get her full share of

hope you will not betray our secret to poor papa, as he would never, never, forgive us at all.

'Pray,' cried Mayell, genuinely touched, 'do not imagine that I could be guilty of such a dishenorable thing. Believe me, Miss Castleton—'

Miriam, very white and cold, was looking at him with eyes that flashed scornful lightning.

'Here is the wretched coin you gave me, 'said she. 'Take it back.'

'Why?' he maked, confounded and hurt.

'And it a single pin be left in the bride's raiment, wose unto her. And if a bride's raiment, which govern the operations of the make which govern the operations of the Easter fellowing. Therefore brides maids in England are not given to present at tables with a delicately flavoured beverage which may save us many heavy doctors' bills. It is by the judicious use of such articles of diet that a constitution may they must go up stream, and the bride, rich was all use for a bride to look back when once are marry dressed in green, or to let the geremony go but the brides maids undersess the bride they must be sure to great a trick of the prick of they must be sure to great a trick of the prick of hope you will not betray our secret to luck for a bride to look back when once by Geo. Enynas, sole agent for Gode-ahe has started for church, or to marry rich. they must go up stream, and the bride, to make certain of good luck, must, on Because I hate you,' she answered, abruptly seizing her sister's arm. Come, Trix, let us go.'

But he posted himself directly across her path, determined not thus to part.

'But why do you hate me?' said he; 'because I respect your courage and sense, and honor your filial duty?'

'Because you despise me,' she retorted.

'Never,' he cried, taking her hand in spite of herself; and then and there they became fast friends.

'To make certain of good luck, must, on the happy day, wear 'Something old and something new, something gold and something blue.' If she see a strange cat on that day she will take it as an omen that she is to be very happy; and if on the morning of her wedding day she steps from her bed on something higher still, she will rise in the world from the time of her marriage. To make sure of this the maiden has a chair and a table at the bedaide and steps from one to the other on arising from her slumbers on her wedding morn. On leaving her home and on starting from the church to return she is very from the church to return she is very 'I am coming tomorrow,' he said, 'to careful to step out with her right foot order a picture of your father. Will you first, and is careful not to address her husband after they are wed without first calling him by his full name. To break the wedding ring is a sign that the wearer will soon be a widow.

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