

THE PRELATE'S HAND

A Story of the Peninsular War

FROM UNITED IRELAND

DOCTOR BRISSON was the last man in the world you would suspect of credence in superstitions. As a student in Paris his life had been a wild one, and before he had well crossed the threshold of manhood he was a pronounced sceptic.

"On one of the shriven fingers was a jewelled ring that sparkled and shone as no other ring had sparkled or shone before."

"H—I is the matter," he answered, hoarsely. "H—I and d—n! He is here. He is here! Save me! Save me!"

"Yes, that is the way," I said; "but lie down and try to go to sleep."

"The next day I had an appointment with her in the gardens of the Palais Royal. I was resolved to be there before the hour that I might not keep her waiting."

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"I have seen her often in my dreams and always she seemed to be endeavoring to pull the ring from her finger, as I had endeavored to pull it from the finger of the long dead prelate, and failing in her task, she seemed to cast on me a reproachful glance, as if the ring had been the cause of her tragic end."

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SOME STRANGE NOTES.

A VALUABLE BUG AT LARGE. A despatch from Chicago says: Jesse P. Van Doozer, former captain of the Northwestern University football team and at present postmaster at Evanston, has sacrificed a diamond scarfpin, valued at \$200, to his love for practical studies in zoology.

SHAVING WITHOUT SEEING. That a man can become accustomed to shaving without seeing is proved by the case of an army officer.

There is but one person in the world, probably, who has fallen 1,200 feet through space and lived to tell the tale. That person is a woman. Her name is Mildred Nevins.

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Having paid for this house he can draw upon his surplus labor for anything else he requires, or he can use his leisure for cultivating his garden or for any private purpose.

Things to Remember.—Our clergyman preached a sermon last Sunday on "Remember the Maine."

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