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A FATEFUL... · DIAMOND

"I suppose the knowledge cannot be very gratifying to your feelings," Margaret asserted; "but I had to do it, nevertheless. Yes, I planned the ride yesterday afternoon, without the slightest intention of accompanying

Then your headache was all sham. I supposed Miss Margaret Houghton to be above the meanness of lying," snap-

ped Arthur, angrily.

"And so I am," Margaret Teturned,
with dignity. "I have told falsehoods not one: I have simply employed strategy that was perfectly justifiable. My headache was no sham, it was terribly real, proceeding from nervousness, lest any of my plans should fail. But as soon as I had sent you, and mamma, and Floy Arnold off on your excursion,

to Buttes Chamont-'And Floy Arnold was' only a decoy, then!" groaned Arthur.

'Of course! I knew that neither you nor mamma would go and leave me at home, believing me to be ill, unless you stood committed to accompany someone else, and Floy proved to be a very convenient decoy. I could not carry out my plans unless you were out of the way, and something seemed to make me feel that I must work quickly. As soon as you were gone I came directly here to bring the file and saw, and I was also inspired to bring Louis papa's revolver.

"Ah, that was Mr. Houghton's revolver, then?" 'Yes, it was a good thing, my bring-

ing it, for it seems that Louis has made good use of it," Margaret replied, significantly.

Arthur swore roundly at this reference to his uncomfortable situation. "You are forgetting your manners, Mr. Aspinwall," Margaret said, reprov-"I do not think it is exactly kind to exult over a fallen foe, but I must confess that it affords me infinite satisfaction to find you here, when I believed you had left the city. I should not have come here today, for Louis told me not to venture again for a few days, but for what you said last night about going away. I felt that it would be safe under those circum-stances, and I wanted to ascertain how my hero was getting along, and perhaps aid him a little in his work. Ah! I think he must be coming now!" she concluded, as a step was heard upon

the stairs. The next moment Louis entered the

CHAPTER XL.

"Margie!" Louis exclaimed in amazement, and glancing anxiously from her to his captive, as if he feared she might have suffered some harm in coming near him.

She sprang toward him with out-stretched hands, her face radiant with

"Oh, Louis!" she cried, "what delight to see you free once more-to know that you are safe!" He laid down his revolver and can-dle, and, taking her hands in his, drew

her gently out of the room and away from those lowering, malicious eyes that were watching their every movement; and Arthur Aspinwall, almost maddened by the sight of their mutual joy, threw himself, with a groan of despair, at full length upon his lounge and hid his face in his hands.

"How happened you to come here again today?" Louis asked, as, for the first time in long weeks, he folded his betrothed in a fond embrace.

She explained to him that Arthur had mentioned that he might be away from Paris for a few days, and her father having heard that he had gone she thought she might come to him with safety, and perhaps help him somewhat in the use of the saw and

"What a faithful little woman!" Louis said, while he touched his lips reverently to her white forehead; "but did you imagine I would allow thes tender hands to do such rough work?'

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"It would not hurt them; I could have filed while you sawed—anything to help you out of that dreadful place." Then he related all that had occur-red—how he had compelled Arthur to release him, and then had driven him, at the muzzle of the weapon, into captivity in his place.

"But the money, dear," he said, despondingly, in conclusion, "I cannot find. I have tried in vain to make him confess where it is, and I have looked the building over thoroughly, with no result, I could have taken my oath that it was somewhere here, for I have heard him prowling about in this room and below many a time."
"There is a closet—is there anything

in it?" Margaret asked, glancing toward it. "No; absolutely nothing, save dust and cobwebs." "Are there no boards loosened any-where in the floors?"

"Not one; I have examined every-Margaret stood thinking a moment, while her eyes wandered critically all

about the room.

she started and sprang away from him. "See here, Louis, the room is wainscoted all around!" she cried, a brilliant flush suffusing her face. "You know," she went on, eagerly, "how much we have read about sliding erly tied by persons legally authorized to perform the ceremony. scoting of old houses? Perhaps we may find one here," and she began rapping upon each panel with which the room

was sheathed for about three feet from the floor. The wood was of chestnut, and each panel was set into a molding like the gave their coin for illegal papers can-panel of a common door. , not even be guessed. It is feared that

Louis smiled at her suggestion, and shook his head.

marked skeptically.
"You need not laugh at the idea," she retorted, gayly, "for truly I saw one in an old manor-house where we visited for a little while in England. Come, dear, help me sound these panels; begin where you stand and work around toward me it can do no harm to try, and who knows what may come

Louis was standing by the mantela marble one, fastened above the fireplace, and extending down each side to the wainscoting.

He turned slowly to obey Margaret's request, but with an air that plainly indicated no faith in and no hope of making any discovery.

He rapped upon the panel nearest

the fire-place on the right of it, and instantly it gave forth a hollow sound. he cried, astonished, will neved doubt a woman's intuition again-there is an empty space behind "Oh, Louis, are you sure?" she said, springing toward him.

"Yes," he said, gravely; "but I see no way to get into it without breaking it

"There must be a secret spring somewhere. Let us look for it," said Margaret, eagerly. But with all their searching none could be found; the board seemed to be built firmly into its place.

"Well, spring or no spring, I am go-ing to know what is behind it," Louis

asserted, resolutely, and repaired to the other room to get his file. erect, and in an attitude vas sitting

that would indicate intent listening. Returning with his file, Louis inserted the point of it at the base of the panel between it and the molding, and tried to pry it from its place. infinite surprise of both, it

at once slid noiselessly upward, showing that pressure at the bottom would have accomplished what they wished, while a small closet, containing a couple of shelves, was revealed to their eager eyes. "Oh!" exc

exclaimed Margaret, as she bent to look within it. "Alas! it was empty. Nothing but the dust of many years was there to reward them for their search.

"I was so sure we had found it." said the young girl, growing pale from disappointment. Louis also was greatly tried; he be-

gan to fear that he might not find the money after all.
"Perhaps," he said, after a moment of silence, and trying to speak hopefully, "there may be a mate to this closet on the other side of the fire-

"Ah, yes! strange that I did not think of that; let us look quickly," Margaret assented, eagerly. "There is!" Louis declared, after tapping upon the panel, while his eyes grew large and intensely black with

excitement. He tried to raise it the same as he had raised the other, but it resisted all his efforts.

Margaret was intensely excited. "It is there, I am sure it is there!" she cried.

[To be Continued.]

rush to help and sympathize! And when some fireman rescues a woman from the flames, the streets echo with ap-



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MAKRIAGES

Believed to Have Taken Place at St. Joe, Michigan.

Unsuspecting Couples Victimized by a "Marriage Bureau."

St. Joseph, Mich., Sept. 14.-There was a slump in St. Joe marriage cer-tificates yesterday, and there may be a panic if the belief of Chief of Police Morton, that many of the couples that have been united here during the summer, have been victimized by bogus marriage bureaus, and are not legally wedded, is confirmed. The hundreds of pairs who have flocked to this Gretna Green at the rate of several score every Sunday for the last three months to find conjugal bliss, would do well to "You look up their titles to the state, and make sure that the knots were prop-

That persons other than these last named have been doing business here, seems probable from one case that has been reported to Chief Moriton, but the number of unsuspecting lovers who went through a mock ceremony and not even be guessed. It is feared that the business has been carried on for some time, and if this is true, the "You will find more of such things crooks must have reaped a rich har-in novels than anywhere else," he re-vest.

The police are hot on the trail of the culprits, and it is said that they will be run down in a short time. The suspicions of Chief Morton were first aroused when George Burke, of Grand Rapids, called at police headquarters with his father. Both men were greatly incensed, and said that the son had been led into a trap and married by a bogus minister, and that three other couples were married at the same house on the same day, without a license. The elder Burke is a well-to-do man in Grand Rapids, and relying upon his word. Chief Morton began an investigation. The following is the story told

by the younger Burke: BURKE'S STORY.

"I heard of the fad of getting married at St. Joe, and so went to Kankakee to get the young lady to whom I was engaged. We came over here from Chicago on the steamer City of Milwaukee on Aug. 22. At the top of the slide we were accosted by a man about 35 years old, who asked us if we wanted to get married. I thought at first I would tell him none of his business, but finally listened to him, thinking he might be able to direct us to the proper authorities.

"We followed him up Ship street to some cross street—I forget whether it was Court or Church; there we went "There was a spring to the one I saw south. He led us on a zigzag course, in England," said Margaret, looking sometimes going on one street and sometimes on another. After a tenminute walk we came to a house. When we entered we found several young people sitting there, evidently He was so intent upon his purpose he troduced to a clerical-looking man, did not observe Arthur. If he had done apparently about 30 years of age. Our so, he would have observed that he guide told us that the man was Rev. guide told us that the man was Rev. Mr. Williams.

"Rev. Mr. William greeted us effusively. We were told that a license Everything seemed to be in the regular order, so we stood up and were married by Rev. Mr.

"After we were married, we paid our guide 50 cents. The minister's fee was \$2, which we also paid. We left the house, the other three couples were Neither of us had been marmarri ried before, and we supposed we were married according to the regular order of things."

Young Burke, accompanied by Chief Morton, located the residence where the marriage ceremonies were performd, but pending further investigation, the chief refused to furnish the name of the family occupying the cot-

Chief Morton has discovered enough to make him believe the crime was perpetrated, and there is no doubt that 'Rev. Mr. Williams" will be captured. Burke described the reverend gentleman who married him as being six feet in height, with light hair, and a pleasant smile. Burke will bring his wife here and be married over again.

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covered by insurance. The Sarnia fire department turned out to assist the local department, and heroic efforts were made to save the large elevator.

A train of cars was backed into the elevator, and an effort was made to save part of its contents, but the smoke forced the men to quit work. Wilbur Inslee, a business man, was injured during the progress of the fire by falling on the track.

STRATHROY.

[Advertiser Agent, J. D. Meekison.] Strathroy, Aug. 13.-The Hon. G. W. Ross, premier of Ontario, will give a prize this year, as in former years, to the entrance pupil making the highest marks at each of the examination centers—Strathroy, Glencoe and Wards-ville. The prizes will be forwarded in a few days. Masters Sutherland, Cuddy and Charlie Cummings, Maitland street school, standing equal, will divide the

Ross prize this year.

The firm of Hambly & Hueston, of this town, recently erected a handsome Scottish granite monument to the memory of the late Sovereign Dr. McAndless in St. George's Episcopal Cemetery, Ilderton. Several of the members of Strathroy camp drove there to the unveiling of the monument.
Mr. Chas. Gordon, of Sturgeon Falls,

s visiting at his home here. Mr. J. Diggins left last week for Stratford, where he has secured a position with John Welch & Son, jewel-

the Baptist Church Sunday morning, Sept. 16. The sermon will be preached by Rev. T. M. Fothergill. Dr. Susie Rijnhart gave a most interesting address on Monday evening

last in the Front Street Methodist Church. The collection was for the W. M. S. Auxiliary, to assist in their foreign missionary work.

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