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| those who were assembled in the govero to the appear-hall. They were eagerly looking forwardance of Amphibalus. At break of day Bassian hadthe | 何 |  |  |  |
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| the grand leader, the very life and soul of the sect; and a further enquiry disclosed his hiding-place. Great wa the burst of astonishment when it appeared that he had the burst of $\qquad$ |  |  |  |  |
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| grivy to the doings of his domestics. Many were even amused, and joked upon the whimsical circumstance of me <br> amused, and joked upon the roof of one |  |  |  |  |
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| As the day advanced, their impatience grew, mas anxiously caught <br> up as the sign of the approach of the Christian leader. |  |  |  |  |
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| things within the hall. On the tribunal sate the governor, who had put on looks of which a fire was burning |  |  |  |  |
| Beside it stood the chief-priest of Diana, enjoying his <br> victory with a grim smile, and at his side appreciate the <br> importance of the vessel which he bore, yet well pleased |  |  |  |  |
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| importance of the eressud. and date with the part which he had to perform in it. On the left of the altar stood a wretched ghastly group of apostates, who had bee$\qquad$ |  |  |  |  |
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| which they were afraid to surrender, some kept their | ${ }^{\text {ma }}$ |  |  |  |
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| caracal which he wore concealed his features from view."Off with the caracal," began to be the cry, which Bassian immediately silenced by a wave of his hand |  |  |  |  |
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| father, and the habitual reverence paid to his family, |  | Cly Earnur. |  |  |
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| from which his conduct had not in the least subtracted, prolonged the silence for some minutes. But then it |  |  |  |  |
| was broken up by one sudden and general shout of exe-cration. "Traitor!" "Traitor!" "Off with him toexecution," burst forth from every quarter of the hall.The Priest of Diana, with furious gestulations, led the |  |  |  |  |
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| in his mantle. Nor was Alban less affected. Thedying words and gestures of his father came upon his |  |  |  |  |
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| he known and felt even as I now do. But heaven's will be done!" | ii an old enghisi squire |  |  |  |
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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { have ineurred the penalty of death. But to shew you } \\ & \text { the clemency of that master, whose confidence you have } \\ & \text { abused, I venture to assure you in his name, that he will } \end{aligned}$ |  |  | Rranted axes, |  |
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