## The Foster Brother

The Orphan of the Wreck.

CHAPTER XXVIII.
THE DEATH OF WALLEY.
"Now, my friends," he whispered, ow is the cloud to be dispelled, and your me and family restored. I am proud to and by your side at this moment, George proud to share your joy, and rejoice in e good fortune which I am sure awaits my

manner.
unby entered first, and Walley's eyes
enly gazed past him with a deeply
stant look.

Is Georgey there?" he eagerly

asked.

The costor directed a backward glance at the others, as much as to say, "You see how impossible it will be to do as we desire." Then he answared—
"Georgey is quite safe, but he—"
"Oh, yes, I know; he is asleep. Let him sleep, poor dear. He will awake to sorrow soon enough."
"Has he no other friend but you?" saked the doctor—"no relations?"
"Ah! none that know of his existence, or that will prove kindly when they do, I fear."

"Sut he has relations, has he not?"
"Yes, his father's relations."
"Ah! and who are they?—where are they? In Jamaica?"
"No, in Scotland."
"In Scotland."
"Yes," interrupted Walley, hastily; "but he must not be given up to them, for he is the heir, now his father is dead, and they will look on him as cutting them out, and mayhap not be good to him. I will take care of him; I will protect him. He knows and loves only me now. No one shall part us; promise me that, gentlemen—in the name of dod, promise me that?"

that!" cried Harry, breathlessly. "Be ured that we three shall do our utto secure for him his rights; of tell us who his family is, who father was, his name, and all all the state of the security of the sec

that?"
Walley opened his mouth to speak,
when suddenly a deadly paleness came
over his face, his eyes closed and he
seemed like passing into a swoon.
"Ngrse, the drink—quick," cried the

doctor.

They lifted him up, and held the bowel to his lips. For some moments it seemed as if all power had gone out of him, tut at length he drank and was revived, though they all noticed that his features were assuming a strange sharpness, and that nameless but unmistakeable expression which is the precursor of death.

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"Now," said the doctor, "tell us the mame and rank of the boy's parents."

"His father was—"

"Yes," and they all bent breathlessly forward to listen.

"How strange I am," murmured Walley. "I feel very—very—unwell. My—head—swims—and—a—a—sinking—is—at—my—heart."

"You will recover in a few moments," said Manby.

"Oh, heaven, should he die ere he tells us," whispered George, in an agony of suspense.

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"Hush he will not die yet. It is a passing weakness. The potion will bring him round."

"I am better again," said Walley, in a stronger voice, and looking up with a clearer light in his eyes. "What was it? I was about to tell you something."

"You were," said the doctor. "You were going to tell us the name of Georgey's father."

"Oh, yes, so I was. He was my mas-

"Oh, yes, so I was. He was my master. His name was Mr. George Morrar."

Very quietly and in a passionlees tone were the words apoken, but the effect—how electrical. The three eager faces, bent forward in breathless expectancy, started back simultaneously, and gazed at each other in dumb petrefaction.

"Did you say George Morrar?" repeated the doctor. "Was he Georgey's father?"

"Yes; he is dead too, is he not? Have you found his body? I saw himwashed from the ship. I was holding Mrs. Morrar at the time, and kept her from going into the sea too."

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the sea too."

"My God!" gasped Harry, in bewilderedhorror. George was too stunned to be
able to speak. Manby alone had power
of mind, and he saw the necessity of

of mind, and he saw the necessity of wasting not a moment unnecessarily,

"And was the lady who was found dead beside you on the rock the wife of George Morrar?"

"Aye, his wife, though his friends in Scotland did not know he had been married; no one knew it, even in Jamaicano one but me and Milley and Garrett. There was a reason for that. Oh, and my poor master and mistress are gone, both gone, when they had come to get the estate. When will Georgey wake? I want

The last words were mutered in a dreamy tone, and he was again sinking nto semi-unconsciousness, when Harry, in the violence of his bursting extement, cried with loud vehemence—
"Rouse, man! Rouse, and tell us more. We must know all about this. There is some terrible mistake, or—or—worse—some—"

some——"
"Harry," said Manby, laying his hand firmly but gently on his shoulder, "moderate your excitement; keep silent, or you will defeat your object. Leave it to me, and I shall get the information you seek. See, you have done harm already."
Startled by the sudden vehemence of Harry, the dying man raised himself to his elbow, and was staring in suspicious alarm at those round his bed.

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