

CAREER OF CRIME

OF

GEORGE LAMPANAS SHAFTESBURY,

AND HIS FEMALE ACCOMPLICE

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GEORGE LAMPANAS SHAFTESBURY, one of the subjects of the following narrative, was born of English parents, and on the day on which those parents embarked from their native land, which was on the fourth of July, might be seen standing out from the port of Liverpool a vessel whose ensign—the star-spangled banner—floating gracefully from the main top, denoted her as belonging to the United States of America. The beating of the drum, and the soul-stirring fife, as the sound fell upon the wave, told the tale, that even there, on that distant sea, near the coast of the ancient enemy, the anniversary of American Independence was not forgotten. The crowd on shore, also, gazing after the departing vessel, seemed to say, that there were those on board who were dear to the hearts of those remaining on the land,—and as they listened to the music, wafted by the gentle breeze from the deck of the vessel, it seemed as though they were riveted to the spot. The splendid equipage, also, and the servants in livery, indicated that those who had bid adieu to their friends, and were now on their way to the transatlantic world, belonged to the upper ton.

The individuals on whose account this crowd was gathered, and who were being wafted from their native homes, were no less personages than Lord and Lady Shaftsbury.