

army in the East formed the principal public events. To be remembered also in the circles of our friends, as witnessing the flutter of the dove-like Anna, Duchess of Peterworth, because the Marquis of Seaham's family had taken for granted that the young Violet would be presented at court for the first time on her marriage.

"What will that marriage confer on my niece?" cried the duchess. "As the daughter of a marquis, she is of superior rank to Lord Stanmore. She will not be called Viscountess Stanmore, but Lady Violet Stanmore during the life of the Earl of Charleton. Her own family should present her. Her mother's sister has the first claim. Can any one venture to oppose the presentation of Lady Violet Chamberlayne, by her maternal aunt, the Duchess of Peterworth?"

Lady Violet's sixteenth birthday had just occurred. Her aunt would admit no excuse for delay, either of the extreme youth of Violet, or of her own too delicate health. Although she had not appeared at court for many years, the duchess conquered all difficulties for the sake of her loved sister's memory, and, to the surprise of all her friends, returned home full of life and joy, claiming as her sole reward from Violet, that they should spend the rest of the day together. This last royal drawing-room terminated the London season. Again there was a flight to cool shades at home or abroad, and again was Lord Stanmore on the continent. His destination this year was the city of his early youth, Marseilles; for he resolved to reply in person to a letter received from a once favorite companion, requesting his attestation, that, on a certain day, six years previously, the two young friends were together, at the house of a mutual acquaintance, at Marseilles. This attestation was important to nullify an attempt to criminate the young Etienne Belmont, as a boyish, and therefore unsuspected, political agent for the liberal party in Sicily.

Lord Stanmore, delighted to serve his early friend, to meet him in the scenes of their happy boyhood, and to revive some other pleasing memories, prolonged his visit some weeks on the shores of the Mediterranean; another few weeks, with distant relations of his mother, in the charming bowers of Vaclouse, brought our hero to the end of August, and to the fulfilment of an engagement to spend the first fortnight of September at Marsdon Park. This visit would be the last before the return to claim his bride, and must be limited. For he had to pass on to Woolton Court, to give final orders for her reception. Journeying on rapidly from Vaclouse, Lord Stanmore found himself, on the morning of the 30th of August, on board the Boulogne steamer, with a rough but favorable wind, bearing swiftly towards England.

CHAPTER XXXII.
REGRET AND HOPE.

Once more the loving shores of France receded from the loving gaze of Lord Stanmore, and this time with an emotion for which he could not well account. Was it that events important to his happiness must occur before he could again course over her sunny plains? or was it a real preference for the land of his childhood and early youth? He could not resolve these questions; but the emotion, which he had believed unson, had been watched with sympathy and interest by a countryman standing beside him, and leaning, like himself, on the side of the vessel. The stranger held a small notebook, and was apparently sufficiently inspired by the appearance or the sensibility of Lord Stanmore to deem him worthy of a line, in prose or verse, on the choice leaves of that little chronicler. The unknown was himself a person to be remarked and chronicled; and perchance he knew and dreaded his claims to observation; for large blue spectacles and a long scarf served

to conceal his head and face, whenever the approach of English passengers placed his recognition in danger. At the moment, however, when Lord Stanmore had attracted him, the unknown had removed these guardians of his privacy, and he looked out free of sky and sea. Then was displayed a face that, in its noble and classic form, could not be surpassed; yet on his faultless face were lines ineffaceable, of woe.

Lord Stanmore, absorbed in thought, had, by degrees rested his form on the vessel, till his weight preponderated towards the water, and the slightest accident in the ship's course might throw him overboard. A moment like this approached; the weather had not been propitious; it now became adverse; the vessel lurched, and Lord Stanmore, balancing on the edge, felt that he must take a forced leap into the water, when an iron grasp brought him on his feet, and a low, sweet voice uttered: "Returning home, and yet so reckless of life!"

"Is England, in truth, my native land?" soliloquized, more than demanded, Lord Stanmore.

"Ah! you are English?" said the stranger; "your speech and your regrets betray you."

"True," said our hero; "my regrets are in France; my hopes are in England."

"You ought to thank God," said the stranger, "that you can balance the one against the other, and pronounce in favor of hope. But you are young. You singularly interest me. Favor me by telling me who you are?"

Lord Stanmore, with the frankness of youth, immediately responded to the request, without perceiving the additional pallor that overspread the countenance of the unknown, or hearing his low ejaculation: "Oh, my God! how dost Thou pursue me!"

After a little pause, Lord Stanmore said: "I thank you, not only for having saved me from a perilous leap into troubled waters, but also for reminding me of my hopes in England; for I have there, awaiting my return, a lovely and loving bride-elect."

"Yes," said the stranger; "the only child of the Marquis of Seaham."

"Who, then, are you," inquired Lord Stanmore, smiling, "who know so much of my happy prospects?"
(TO BE CONTINUED.)

The trial of Santo Cesario, the murderer of President Carnot, has been deferred until Aug. 2.

A mob at Stanoff, in the province of Radom, Poland, objected to the burial of the remains of one of their friends in the cemetery devoted to cholera victims. They assaulted the coffin-bearers and chased them from the cemetery. They then stoned the houses in which a number of sufferers from cholera were lying and rescued twenty patients. The police charged the rioters, and after some hard fighting dispersed them. Many of the rioters were injured. The ringleaders were arrested.

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