

A Cardinal Sin.

He made the best of his way there. As she passed through the village the saddle who had given him such valuable information saluted him respectfully. Allan could not bring himself to stop and inquire whether the little man had seen the lady pass; he went on quickly to the railway station.

He was glad to hear that she was safe and on her way home. He had no wish to see his wife again until he had been to Redhills. Another train would leave B in a few minutes. He would just have time to drive to Cavensham Place, ask Josephine for her husband's attention to the parcelled papers, and then catch the limited mail for the West.

Allan wondered if any man had ever found such varying emotions mingled in a woman's countenance on one day, as he had found in this one. In it he had lived a lifetime!

Following her husband's instructions, Frances left the cottage by passing through the open window, but she walked and acted as if she were in a dream. She had done. She was in that state which can only be expressed by the word dazed.

She walked down the winding path until she reached the gate which opened to the road. It was locked. No matter; the ground inside the paling rose in one place until it came within a foot or two of the top.

She heard the sound of wheels rattling and turning, she saw a high dog-cart driven by a gentleman. Almost mechanically she raised her hand and called to him to stop his horse.

"Certainly I will. Can you stop up?" She took the seat next him. "Please drive quickly," she said. He wondered greatly who his companion could be. He attempted to draw her into conversation, but her replies to his remarks were so strange and so far from the subject that by the time he drew up at B Station he had come to the conclusion she had been dazed.

She thanked him as she descended from the dog-cart, thanked him quietly without ostentation, as though he only did what duty called upon him to do. Then the door of the stricken closed upon her, and he saw her no more. He never knew who the mysterious lady was, or how greatly that dog-cart had been honored.

phine. In a minute, they were with Frances, Mrs. Melville embracing and kissing her, Josephine holding her hand and weeping tears of joy. Frances had returned of her own accord. How she had wronged her. How she would atone for her momentary shadow cast by her suspicion.

"Oh, my dear!" said Mrs. Melville, "what a fright you have given us all. Where have you been? Why did you not write or telegraph? Allan is hunting high and low for you."

"Where have you been?" echoed Josephine. Frances pressed her hand across her forehead, as if trying to brush those cobwebs out of her brain. She looked almost vacantly at her inquirers.

"I don't know," she said, wearily. "I can't remember. Get me something to eat and drink." The servant entered with a tray of provisions. Frances sat down and ate her food in a strangely eager manner. Mrs. Melville and Josephine ministered to her wants, but while doing so exchanged fearful glances.

The meal was soon finished—every minute Frances glanced at the clock. She pushed away her plate and rose. "Order the brougham," she said. "I must start in a few minutes."

"What tell us something, dear," pleaded Mrs. Melville. "Tell us where you have been?" "I can't remember," said Frances, almost pettishly. "Order the carriage, please."

Josephine did so. There was something in her sister-in-law's appearance which frightened her. Her face at one moment was flushed, at the next nearly white. Her eyes looked unusually large and bright, and she noticed her fingers moved nervously.

"Don't go to the theater to-night," said Josephine. "I am sure you are ill. Send a note and say so." Frances smiled for the first time since she had entered the house. The impossibility of such a course amused her bewildered brain.

"I am well enough to sing," she said turning to leave the room. "What about Allan? He had left the house a few hours ago with a look on his face which had haunted Josephine ever since. She knew what the expression meant. She did not wonder at it. Romance still lingered in her mind, and it seemed only fit and proper that her brother should depart like this to reckon up with the man who, to all appearances, had wronged him."

There was nothing to revenge, so she was nothing to be afraid of. But Frances was a woman of a certain amount of independence and discrimination to account in any way for her prolonged absence, were starting. She arrested Frances as her hand was on the door. "Have you seen Allan?" she asked. "Have I seen Allan?" She put her hand to her head as she echoed Josephine's words. Yes, I saw him—somewhere. I forget where.

the color rose in Mrs. Melville's cheeks. Frances had never before spoken to her like this. She said nothing as she entered the brougham—said nothing when she found Mrs. Melville seated beside her—neither thanked her for her company, nor objected to it. They reached the theater, through the stage-door of which she passed quickly, taking no notice of the companion who followed her, marveling that fate should have led her, of all persons, to such a place as behind the scenes of a theater. But the end in view sanctified the departure from her former rigid code, and her conscience was at rest.

General News and Notes. For Sara Throat and Long, apy Dr. Kennedy's White Lotion. Hundreds of cattle have been starved to death in southern Idaho.

Was I Caught. GROUP, cold, sore throat and many painful ailments are easily caught in this changeable climate. The never-failing remedy is just as easily obtained in Hagar's Yellow Ointment, which is undoubtedly the best of all colds or pains.

Attacked by an Enemy. Dear Sir,—About a year ago I was very bad with dyspepsia. I was unable to eat for several months. I never at a meal without suffering pain. I had got so weak I could scarcely walk. When one day I saw an advertisement for Dr. Williams' Pink Pills for Pale People, I bought a bottle and took it as directed. I am now strong and healthy.

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Co. Accts. & Parish Returns. All persons having claims against the County, and Parish, or who are indebted to the County, or Parish, are hereby notified to present their claims to the County Clerk, or Parish Clerk, respectively, on or before the 15th day of February, 1892.

Oranges, Lemons and Grapes and a large assortment of CONFECTIONERY. PURE GOLD FLOURING EXTRACTS AND SPICES A. S. McKENNAN, Proprietor.

SHERIFF'S SALE! To be sold at Public Auction on Thursday, the 10th day of March, 1892, at 11 o'clock, A. M., the premises situated in the Parish of Chatham, and County of Northumberland, and bounded as follows:—

WANTED. 1000 CORNS WHITE BIRCH not less than 5 inches at smallest end, to be clear of large knots and not less than 4 or 5 inches long. Also 500 CORNS CEDAR, SUITABLE TO MAKE SAWN TIMBER.

GENERAL BUSINESS. CASTORIA for Infants and Children. Castoria is so well adapted to children that I recommend it as superior to any prescription known to man.

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SHERIFF'S SALE. To be sold at Public Auction, on Thursday, the 17th day of December, next, in front of the Post Office, Chatham, between the hours of 12 o'clock noon and 2 o'clock, P. M., the premises situated in the Parish of Chatham, and County of Northumberland, and bounded as follows:—

General Business. Notice is hereby given, that application will be made by the applicant to the Court, for a writ of Habeas Corpus, in favor of the said applicant, and against the said respondent.

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SHERIFF'S SALE. To be sold at Public Auction on Thursday the 24th day of March, next, at 11 o'clock, A. M., the premises situated in the Parish of Chatham, and County of Northumberland, and bounded as follows:—

Residence to Let. The two-story dwelling and premises with barn, situated on St. John Street, Chatham, N. B., is offered for rent, by Mrs. J. W. Johnston.

For Sale or To Let. The Dwelling House and premises situated on Upper Street, in the Town of Chatham, at present occupied by F. R. Morrison, Esq.

TO LET. The Dwelling House and premises owned by Thomas J. Kelly, Esq., situated on St. John Street and now occupied by Mr. Richard Stothart, Postmaster, can be had on application to J. J. Tweedie, Barrister-at-Law, Chatham.

LONDON HOUSE. Wholesale and Retail. In store, the following reliable Brands of Flour:—"Neva," "Daily Bread" and "Empress."

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