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THE STORY IN THE LONE INN.

CHAPTER VII.

"Is she going to stay here all night?" said Mr. De Vere.

"Yes; I suppose so. Come here, Orris; will you sleep with me to-night?" said Jacquetta.

Orris nodded assent, and yawned. "That's one go-to-bed," said Frank.

"She'll be asleep, presently, if you don't take her off. I rather think I will turn in myself, too," he added, getting up.

As it was already late, this was a signal for all to disperse; and Orris having given Disbrowe a parting embrace, and informed him he was to see her home the next day, was led off by Jacquetta to her own room.

Disbrowe reached his pleasant chamber; drew up a chair before the fire; lit his cigar, and with his soul in slippers, prepared to take life easy. Lost in thought, hours passed unheeded, until he was suddenly brought to his feet with a bound, by a sound familiar enough now. It was the strange, far-off, eerie, music, rising and falling faintly and sweetly on the midnight air.

Instantly a determination to get at the bottom of this mystery entered the head of Captain Disbrowe. Curiosity was strong within him; but that was not the chief impulse that sent him off. It was Jacquetta's connection with the singular affair. Anything concerning her concerned him now; and determined to discover what hidden skeleton, what Bluebeard's chamber Fontelle Hall contained, he was downstairs, through the hall, and standing alone in the clear moonlight almost in an instant.

He glanced up, and saw the whole house enveloped in darkness, save a light that streamed redly from one window—from Augusta's window he knew. She, then, was up yet. What was she doing? Could it really be sleepless remorse for some "unacted crime" that preyed on her mind, warning her to a skeleton, and making her the living petrification she was? She herself had acknowledged that it was; but that very acknowledgment, if nothing else, would have made Disbrowe doubt it.

There were several massive doors in the north wing, and little difficulty in discovering them; but the thing

was to open them. Stuff with rain and storm, and long neglect, they were almost as solid as the wall itself, and he soon gave up all hope of effecting an entrance by means of them. He fancied that down amid the ivy there might be some aperture in the ruined walls, large enough to permit his entrance. And in this hope he was not disappointed. Hidden among the clustering vines was what had once been an outer entrance into a sort of cellar, the door of which was now completely broken off. Wrenching away the ivy, Disbrowe passed in, and discovered a flight of stone steps at one end, leading evidently to the upper room. He ascended, and found himself in a large, echoing, desolate-looking apartment, with oak wainscoting, and niches in the wall, that had once held statues, but were hung with cobwebs now. Through the high, narrow, diamond-framed windows, with their leaden casements, the pale moonlight shone brightly, casting a sort of ghostly glare around the dark, desolate room. And still the music arose and fell, and swelled and died away in fitful gusts, seemingly near at hand. Following the sound, he was about to pass through the room into the next, when an unexpected sound struck his ear, and caused him to fall back with a guilty start, as if he had been caught in some unworthy act.

It was a sound of voices in the room he was about to enter—familiar voices, too—speaking in suppressed but passionate tones. Both voices were recognized in an instant as those of Jacquetta and old Grizzle Howlet.

It was rather a startling interruption to his nocturnal search. Hitherto he had scarcely thought of it; but now it struck him as a base return of his uncle's hospitality, this attempting to pry into the secrets of his household. He turned hastily to descend the stairs and escape; but before he could reach them, the sound of their rapidly-advancing footsteps made him turn around and seek some nearer place of concealment. The door of a small closet stood ajar, and darting in here, he softly closed it, just as Jacquetta and old Grizzle entered the room.

CHAPTER X.

One moment later, and the Honorable Captain Disbrowe would have been discovered, and the very thought made his heart throb and a sudden heat flush into his face in the shelter of his retreat. He could fancy the mingled scorn and angry surprise in the clear, bright eyes of Jacquetta, at beholding him there; and he would sooner have encountered a legion of ghosts, single-handed, at that moment, than the little gray-eyed girl he could lift with one hand. Even now he was hardly safe—for the door stood ajar, and he dared not touch it lest it should creak; he scarcely ventured to breathe, as he stood there, waiting for them to pass on.

But pass on they did not. To his dismay and consternation, Jacquetta came over and stood beside the window, looking out. The window was within a yard of his hiding place, and her face was turned directly toward him—that face, so changed again, that he hardly knew it. Scorn, hatred, passion and loathing struggled for mastery there, and her eyes looked fierce and glittering in the serene moonlight. One small hand was tightly clenched, and her lips were compressed with a look of hard, bitter endurance.

Old Grizzle was speaking, as they

entered, in a tone of jibing mockery. "So you come here often, do you, Jacquetta?" she was saying. "It must be very pleasant for you, all to be serenaded night after night in this way. Listen! a sweet strain—that was it not, Jacquetta?"

"May it deafen you forever, as you hear it!" said Jacquetta, fiercely.

"Nay, Jacquetta—that is hardly courteous. Let me see—how long since you and I stood here before, listening to this same weird music, in this same goblin room?"

Jacquetta made a passionate gesture, as if to stifle her, but spoke not.

"You have not forgotten, my little dear, have you?" sneered Grizzle.

"Forgotten!" exclaimed Jacquetta, with passionate solemnity. "Oh, my God! is there a moment, sleeping or waking, night or day, that I can forget? Oh, for the waters of Lethe to wash from my memory the crimson stain of that day in my lost, darkened, ruined childhood. Oh, my blighted life! my seared heart! my crazed brain! Forgotten!"

She struck her clenched hand on her breast, and the dark, passionate solemnity of her face was awe-striking in the cold, pale moon rays.

"Have I not striven to forget? Have I not tried night and day? Have I not resolutely steeled my heart, closed my brain, to do everything that could recall the terrible wrong done me in my childhood? Childhood! Why do I speak of it? I, who know not the meaning of the word—who never was a child—who, at the age of fourteen, when other children are thinking of their dolls and picture books, was—"

"What?" said Grizzle, with a bitter sneer. "Why do you pause?"

"Before I knew the meaning of the word 'memory,'" continued Jacquetta, her face white even to the lips. "I was happy. You know the sort of child I was—the happiest, merriest, jippiest fairy that ever danced in the moonlight. Oh, Grizzle Howlet! oh, woman with a fiend's heart! what had I done to you that this living death was to be mine?"

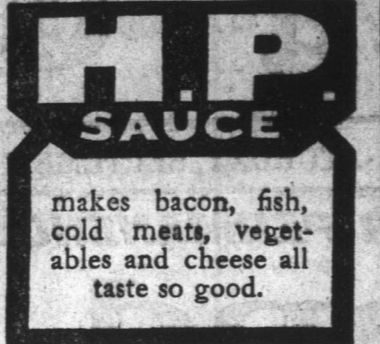
"Come, come, Jacquetta! this is going too far. Indeed, I think you ought to be grateful to me and your—"

"Name her not!" cried Jacquetta, fiercely, "if you do not want to arouse the demon that is within me—that you have seen aroused before now! Since I have learned what it is to remember, my whole life has been one continued effort to forget! I am not made of steel or stone, and I tell you to take care! for, as sure as Heaven hears us to-night, a day of retribution will come, and I will be avenged!"

"Let it come!" said Grizzle, scornfully. "It is not such as you, Jack De Vere, will ever make me blanch!"

"You know," said Jacquetta, with passionate vehemence, "the living lie I am! You know the mark I have to wear that others forged for me, and that I must wear until death releases me! Am I to be held accountable for the sins of others—for your crime and hers, whose name, if I mentioned, I should be tempted to curse? Will God

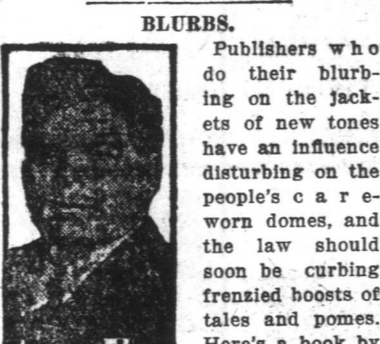
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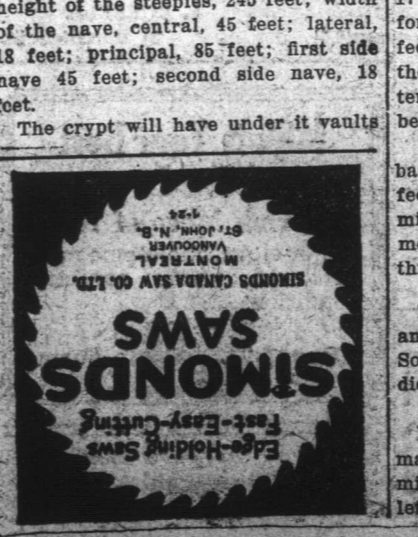


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