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THE FALL OF THE LEAF.

The year is on the wane—is on the wane! The dead leaves whirl in eddies at my feet; Bare, branches, spectre-like, stud all the

plain, And day and night on equal footing meet. As scented woodbine clusters round the

HELENA GRAHAM,

THE BRIDE'S SACRIFICE.

CHAPTER I.

"The executioner led her to the fatal drop, a great shout arose from the crowd, then all faded away; and looking up, as if from an appalling dream, I saw the interpreter beckoning me from the door. How I reeled from the room, with throbing brow and feverish pulse, I know not. Everything seemed swimming around me; and in a state of the wildest excitement, I was hurried home by my companions. The next day the Mahometan left the city, and where he went after I never heard. Such was the glimpse of the future I beheld. It was many months after before I completely recovered from the shock I received. How to account for it, I do not know. Certain I am that I beheld it, truly, as I have told it in every particular—for the impression it made upon me at the time was so powerful that everything connected wit it is indelibly engraven on my memory. It may seem strange, absurd, impossible; but that I have nothing to do with—I only know I saw incredible as it seems. But good heavens, Helena, dearest, you are ill—fanting!"

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Pale, trembling, and excited, the once fearless Helena Graham clung to his arm, white with vague, sickening horror. Superstitious to an unusual degree, an awful presentiment had clutched her heart, and for a moment she seemed dying in his arms.

"Helena! Helena! my dearest love!" he said in alarm, "What is it?"

"Nothing—nothing," she answered, in a tremulous voice: "but, O Herbert, do you believe the prediction?"

"Strange, wild girl that you are, has this idle tale frightened you?" he said, smiling at her wild, dilated eyes.

"If it should prove true," she said, covering her face with a shudder. "Herbert, tell me—do you believe it?"

"My dark eyed darling, how can I tell whether to believe it or not? It has not come true, and there seems no like-lihood of its ever doing so. Do not think of it any more; if I had thought it would have unnerved you so! would never have told you."

She put up her arm in a vague, wild sort of way, as if to ward off some approaching danger.

"O Herbert! this is dreadful—dreadful! What if all be predicted should come to pass?"

"Well I should be obliged to do the least Levell."

come to pass?"

"Well I should be obliged to do the best I could. What will be will be, you know. But I have no such fear. Nonsense, Helena, a Graham of the Isle trembling thus at maginary danger. The ghost of Malcolm the Dauntless will start from his grave if he discovers it!"

The color came proudly back to her cheek at his bantering words, as she said, coldly and calmly:

"For myself, I could never tremble:

"For myself, I could never tremble; but for—"She paused, and her beautiful lipquivered.
"For me, then, dear love, these fears are," he said, tenderly. A thousand thanks for this proof of your love; but, believe me, the cause is only imaginary. Why, Helena, I had nearly forgotten all about the matter, until your brother's remark to-night recalled it to my mem."y. Promise me, now, you will never think of it more, much less speak of it."

Tell me one thing more, Herbert, and I promise—only one," said Helena, laying her hand on his shoulder, and looking up in his free earnestly, while her voice tremblet in spite of all her efforts. "Well?" he said, anxiously. "Did you recognize the face of the person whom you saw beside you at the altar, and who afterwards died on the scaffold?"

He was silent, and looked with a

dearest Helena?"
"Answer me truly, Herbert, on your

onor."
"Well, then, dearest, I have."
Helena drew her breath quick and tort, and held his arm with a convulsive

grasp.

"Who is she?" she asked.

Herbert turned, and looking steadily in her wild, searching eyes, replied, in a thrilling whisper—

"You, Helena—you."

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