THE WRAITH OF M'COY.

When I was sixteen years of age I paid a visit to an uncle and an aunt of my tather's who lived on the family estate in Scotland. My granduncle was well-to-do in this world's goods, and had leisure to devote his lite to scientific pursuits and to write about his ideas and discoveries. He had an exceedingly well-arranged laboratory, and dabbled in everything. He was, perhaps, of a more practical turn of mind than most scientists, tor he not only theorized and experimented, but turned his knowledge to account, and thereby made his home rather alarming to ignoramuses. Doors opened and shut, and bells rang, seemingly as he willed them. He had made of electricity a sort of servant-of-all-work.

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The Scotch domestics gave warning in a body the first evening that the hall lamp lighted itself. They considered the proceeding "uncanny," and my aunt confided to me that it was a most expensive illumination.

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However, she added, 'a man should be master in his own house, and has a right to spend his money as he pleases, so I say nothing.'

For her part she liked to go about 'among the poor'—not to give alms, Scotish poor tolk seldom want that. She helped them to work for themselves: started poor widows in little penny shops; put boys to trades; lound places for young housemaids and lent small sums of money to be paid back in driblets when the honest folks could do it.

She worked in the right way, and left them their self respect. Mere charity never does that.

The house was well furnished with articles that would capture those who are bitten with the present madness for 'old things.' Square rugs lay on the polished oak floors, and great orange trees grew in tubs in each of the six windows et the drawing room. Outside, in summer, was a gay little flower garden.

It was, however, not a pretty part of the country. It was grand and solemn. Beyond lay mountains apt to be covered with dim, gray mist. Near by a loch, the water of which seldom sparkled, and from the heights on which my uncle's dwelling stood, a road decended into a valley, walled about with great rocks, its vegetation sparse and coarse, and lying here and there so many mighty boulders that one could fancy giants had hurled them at each other in the course of some tremendous fight. Far away, above all, arose a tall, curious shaftlike object, which one could scarcely believe the work of nature. Its local name was Daffy's Darning needle, and on its summit was an eagle's nest. The eagles swooped down upon the sheepfolds to their owner's cost at lambing time, but were perfectly safe, as the needle was naccessible even to the Scottish boys, who can climb anything climbable.

It was my delight to mount my pony, Jackanapes, and go galloping off over the country. No one objected to my going alone. I was quite safe. There was nothing improper in it. Every one I saw knew me, and I gained health and strength by it. What with oatmeal for breaktast and these rides, my ch

enough, at about the height of a man's head.

What was it? My blood curdled. I was conscious of that curious condition of skin which either cold or terror will produce, which children call 'goose flesh.' I could not have spoken a word to save my soul, for the object before me appeared to be a human figure, formed of some transparent, luminous substance, and was a more perfect ghost than is pleasant to contemplate in a lonely spot at nightfall.

Almost instantly, however, I saw with a sudden flush of joy that set my blood in motion on the instant, that my terror had deceived me. It was a man that stood there, clad in what seemed to be a white flannel suit and holding a lantern over his head.

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"This is Miss Maisie?" said a voice that was the voice of a gentleman.

'Oh, yes!" said 1. 'I'm lost. I thought I should die, Oh, I am so glad! So glad! Quiet, Jackanapes!' For the pony trembled more than ever.

'The animal is afraid of me,' said the figure. 'Can you dismount? I dare not approach you otherwise, for if I do Jackanapes will run away and, perhaps, dash you over the precipice. I will retire; dismount, and I will return. Do not fear anything, I will take care of you.'

He was gone. Doubtless be only shut the lantern, but he appeared to vanish. Jackanapes ceased to shudder. I lett the saddle, though I was hardly able to move for my wet skirts, and stood by his side. Instantly the stranger was at mine, and as he appeared my pony kicked up his heels and dashed away up the road.

'Never fear; he would take care of himself,' said the stranger. 'Follow me.'

M. Clemenceau, the famous French Deputy, was originally a doctor, and, like our English Dr. Abernetby, was rough and abrupt with his patients.

One morning a man entered his consult-

ing room.

*Take off your coat, waistcoat, and shirt,

"Take off your cost, waist cost, and shirt," said the physician, as he went on writing. "I'll attend to you directly."

Three minutes later, on looking up, he found the man stripped to the waist. He examined the patient carefully.

"There's nothing the matter with you," he said at last.

"I know there isn't," was the startling reply.

reply.

"Then what did you come for?"

"To consult you on a political ques

ton."
"Why did you strip, then?"
"Well," said the guest blandly, "I
thought you wanted an illustration of the
emaciated body of the man who lives by
the sweat of his brow."

She had the last word.—She—we girls are thinking about starting a baseball club. He—Pho! Girls can't even throw a ball.

She—Anyhow, we could beat you talking back to the umpire.

He led the way. The darkness had concealed from me the tact that I was very near a house. A wide door was flung open. Within I saw a deep hall doored with oak, at the end of which a fier reared in a great chimery. I was seed to handle the curious rapidity. My hoet stood near me, and a sort of humining dress of white flannel. He smiled on me, but said nothing until I spoke. They will be frightened at home, I said. I will not be long, said he coldly, I smith what in the cold waters of the torrent is not to be desired, nor is a violent death of any sort. Nature seems to forbid it. Thank heaven for life, little girl. And alterward you, said. — And start was easily cultivated. As a specimen of this style of lurid fettion, we make a few excerpts from the forther and the desired, nor is a violent death of any sort. Nature seems to forbid it. Thank heaven for life, little girl. And alterward you, said. — He bowed gravely, then the firelight, and brough thence as goblet of wine. Think, he said. — The reader is a submer came on the wings of the music and enfolded me. For awhile I was delightfully conscious that I sley the missic and enfolded me. For awhile I was delightfully conscious that I sley the missic and enfolded me. For awhile I was delightfully conscious that I sley the missic and enfolded me. For awhile I was delightfully conscious that I sley the missic and enfolded me. For awhile I was delightfully conscious that I sley the missic and enfolded me. For awhile I was delightfully conscious that I sley the missic and enfolded me. For awhile I was delightfully conscious that I sley the missic and enfolded me. For awhile I was delightfully conscious that I sley the missic and enfolded me. For awhile I was delightfully conscious that I sley the missic and enfolded me. For a while I was delightfully conscious that I sley the missic and enfolded me. For a while I was delightfully conscious that I sley the missic and enfolded me. For a while I was delightfully conscious that I sley the missic and enfolded me. For a whi

"You shall not escape me this time!" cried Luke Buhster; for it was he. And with a sulphurous oath and the aid of confederate, Regmald Harcourt was securely bound to a railroad track. "I've heard of men being secured to a down-track, and the express rushing past on the up-track; but I understand my business better than that. In five minutes the lightning express is due, and it is coming on the track on which you are bound. You'd better devote the interval to praying." And with this beartless injunction, the villian and his companion left our hero to his horrible fate. Hark! the rumble of the train is heard in the distance. It comes nearer—nearer—nearer!

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CHAPTER XI.

When Reginald Harcourt recovered consciousness, he found himself surrounded by a crowd of people, and the wildest excitement prevailed. The lightning express had crashed through a bridge within twenty feet of our hero. A dozen persons were killed, and many wounded, but, fortunately, the life of our hero was thereby saved. A detective advanced the theory that Reginald had tampered with the bridge, and then bound-himself to the track to avert suspicion; but seven other detec-

tives, each of whom had a theory of his own, ridiculed the idea of our hero being implicated, and he was released.

"S death" cried Luke Buhster through his clenched teeth. "You have escaped me for the last time, Mr. Harcourt. I'll be tyou five dollars that your death is close at hand?" But Regigald was not in a betting mood. He had conscientious scruples against engaging in the reprehensible practice in any way. John Percy Hamilton's hired assassin and accomplice had prepared a grave six feet deep, and, despite our hero's piteous appeals for mercy, tumbled him into the excavation and buried him alive!

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CHAPTER XV.

Luke Buhster and his companion in crime had not proceeded fifty yards from the scene of their diabolical deed, when they felt a peculiar tremor of the earth, accompanied by an ominous, rumbling, noise. The guilt-hardened wretches, with terror depicted on their faces, took to their heels and fled toward the city. As the reader may have already surmised, the Charleston earthquake had arrived. One of the chasms made by the seismic disturbance saved the life of our hero. It split his grave wide open before the vital spark had fled; and when he reached the city, the worst was over. In the list of casualities next morning, he read the names of John Percy Hamilton and Luke Buhster. What a fortutious combination of circumstances!

The last chapter of the story is devoted to straightening things out, and telling who is who; and all those who have not been killed, get married; and the reader doesn't know which deserve the most sympathy.

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