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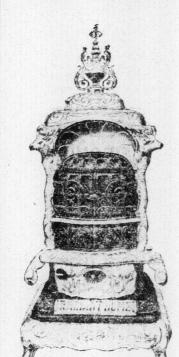
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The Diamond From the Sky

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Nothing belongs to you, not even our name, and much less this for which you stained your hands with blood!" cried Hagar bysterically. And she threw down into the open brass box with a gesture of disdain the dianond from the sky.

"But I am not guilty of the death of Dr. Lee; he was my friend," reolied Arthur hoarsely. "I did kill my upposed cousin Blair, and he now lies in a grave dug for another, but not for this," and he pointed to the baleful jewel. "I killed Blair Stanley because he spoke ill of Esther. Why have you driven her out to reproach me with what I am not guilty? Tell me, if I am not Arthur Stanley, who is she? Is she my sister? I ask this, for by every wild deed of my reckless life in the past and for every good deed I hope to achieve I love her!"

"No matter who she is, you are not good enough to breathe the same air with her!" replied Hagar fiercely. Make the better man of yourself that you boast you will! Make a name for yourself in place of the one you have lost and then return to me for a mother's blessing and to learn who Es-

So saying Hagar, for she felt her fortitude giving way, walked with dry eyes and head erect from the van. Arthur picked up the diamond from the sky. In her agitation Hagar had forgotten it, and Arthur was of the belief that his Spartan mother had left 't there that he might take it and make some temporary use of it to build his fortunes with. For Arthur believed that Blair still lay dead by his hand in the grave dug for another and with him the last male Stanley save the old earl in England had per-

As Arthur passed from the van he saw Esther come toward him from Hagar's side and was glad to note his and destroyed. fierce, stern mother made no attempt to stay her. And Esther had evidently been told as much as Hagar cared

She called him "brother" and walked with him to the woods at the edge of the camp, and there they paused nd made their farewells. "Be a good man, Arthur, my broth-

er, and let me be proud of you!" Esther whispered tenderly. And Arthur folded ber to his heart and kissed her He looked back once and saw her eaning against a great tree and weep-

ing. But neither he nor the weeping Esther beheld the dark face of Luke Lovell peering at them through the It was not until next morning that Hagar sought for the diamond and found it missing. Again her rage at Arthur burned high. Hagar bated the Stanley name and despised every Stan-

ley possession, but she was resolved

since all the Stanley line was near at end that Esther, defrauded of every other birthright, should have the dianond from the sky. Hagar had not wholly believed Arbur guilty of Dr. Lee's murder, even when she had first learned of his being suspected from Esther's lips when she had come for Esther to Fairfax the day before. Hagar resolved to go to Richmond, the nearest big city, feel- ors at R. Donahue's. ing sure Arthur would be there in hiding, in the hope of finding him and se-

curing the diamond from the sky for Esther, even if it were necessary to give Arther, her own son, up to the She telegraphed from the nearest railroad station, from which they took train to Richmond. This telegram was o the Blake agency, and it was sent to recall Tom Blake, the head of the concern, from Fairfax to Richmond. No suspicion in the slightest had been directed at Blair in connection with the doctor's murder, nor did any living soul in Fairfax, save Blair and his mother, know of the encounter Blair had had with Arthur in the doctor's dooryard nor of the grewsome duel

obbery, the real guilt Blair felt the But in order to be safe, and at his and Mrs. Given on Sunday. nother's suggestion, Blair Stanley had one to Richmond, his mother giving e excuse that he went to attend to argent matters brought about by the loctor's sudden and tragic death.

across the open grave at midnight that

had followed Blair's wild ruse to de-

ame Esther's good name that Arthur

night not suspect him of murder and

Esther, too, was gone from Fairfax now, and this, with the flight of Arthur and the presence of the Richmond detective, made the countryside of old aristocratic Fairfax county ring with rumors and the revival of old, and Mrs Millick on Sunday. ong forgotten tragic and mysterious ppenings among the Stanleys.

In Richmond Arthur Stanley, giving mself the name of John Powell, ound humble lodgings awaiting opportunity to slip from Richmond when the hue and cry after him had died down. their duties. It was necessary for him to have funds. To obtain these he resolved to pawn the diamond from the sky, be- COOK'S Cotton ROOT COMPOUND lieving that no living person save Hagar knew of its existence.

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it had been a bit of old trumpery that Colonel Stanley had found valueless

It was only when he came out of his hiding place after several days that Arthur dared buy and read a Richmond paper. There were no further accounts from Fairfax of the death of Dr. Lee and the flight of his supposed

Arthur also came to the conclusion that the death of Blair Stanley and his poor. being found shot through the head in a new grave intended for another had also ceased to be a three days' wonder n the Richmond newspapers. In Fai fax, like enough, the whole country side was still agog at this double tragedy, Arthur reasoned, but here in Rich mond the papers gave no mention to it now. Their one absorbing topic was the ball to be given by Richmond's society leader, the wealthy Mrs. Burton

(To be continued.)

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Evert McDonald and the Misses Bertha Donahue and Delma Mc-Donald, spent Sunday at James. Schooley's, Miss Clara Lawrence spent Sunday

Miss Lulu McNamara spent Sunday the guest of Miss Anna Donahue. Miss Monetta Jordan has returned to Detroit after spending a month with her parents. Miss Mae McCauley spent one day

minister and was well attended. The

sympathy of this place and vicinity

is extended to the sorrowing widow.

Clara of Etona were the guests of Mt

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Burford, was kicked in the face by

horse on Sunday. Some of his from

teeth were knocked out and his shoul

der hurt, but it might have been a lot more serious. His many friends

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Hereafter, each official must use is own judgment, and M. Gallieni will deal only with questions which involve his responsibility as minister. The circular states that since the fullest initiative is thus given, it will follow that only those able to exercise it will be retained in the service and those who are incapable will be ruthlessly eliminated.
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